NOTICE OF BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

For the Town of Phelps, Vilas County, WI

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing regarding the Proposed 2026 Budget for the Town of Phelps will be held on Thursday, **November 13th, 2025, at 6:00 pm.** The hearing will take place at the Phelps School Commons, located at 4451 Old School Rd., Phelps, WI.

The proposed budget is available for public inspection. Interested individuals may review the budget in detail on the Town's official website at www.phelpswi.gov. Additionally, the budget can be accessed at the Clerk's Office located at 4495 Town Hall Rd., Phelps, WI, during regular business hours or by appointment. Regular business hours for the Clerk's Office are Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon and from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Detailed Budgets will also be available at the November 13, 2025, Budget Hearing.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED 2026 BUDGET			
Anticipated Revenues	2025 Budget	Proposed 2026 Budget	% Change
Inter-government Revenues	720,432.70	673,248.15	-6.55%
Licenses & Permits	4,480.00	6,210.00	38.62%
Public Charges	50,000.00	65,300.00	30.60%
Miscellaneous Revenues	103,450.00	156,450.00	51.23%
Total Revenues	878,362.70	901,208.15	2.60%
Expenditures for Operation and Maintenance	2025 Budget	Proposed 2026 Budget	% Change
General Government	475,240.22	440,572.08	-7.29%
Public Safety	374,707.75	440,829.66	17.65%
Public Works *	1,392,103.85	1,051,217.00	-24.49%
Human Services	17,735.50	13,735.50	-22.55%
Culture	99,319.23	105,678.46	6.40%
Recreation	119,153.48	179,003.48	50.23%
Conservation & Development	82,100.00	95,300.00	16.08%
* General Obligation Debt (new as a separate line,			
previously included with Public Works)		522,770.62	
Total Expense \$	2,560,360.03	2,849,106.80	11.28%
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Less Total Revenues	(878,362.70)	(901,208.15)	2.60%
Less Surplus Added to Budget	(224,775.00)	(237,000.00)	5.44%
Net Expense (Total Tax Levy)	1,457,222.33	1,710,898.65	17.41%
MILL RATE (TAX PER \$1,000)	3.363	3.892	

Notice of Special Town Elector Meeting: Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, November 13, 2025, immediately following completion of the Budget Hearing on the proposed 2026 Budget, a Special Town Elector's Meeting will be held to approve the 2025 Tax Levy to be paid in 2026, WI Stat 60.10(1)(a); and to approve a Resolution to abolish the elected position of Town Constable, WI Stat 60.21.

Notice of Special Town Board Meeting: Notice is hereby given that immediately following the Budget Hearing and Special Town Elector Meeting, a Special Town Board Meeting will be held to adopt the 2026 Budget, WI Stat 60.40(4).

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