

**MINUTES OF THE 2023 BUDGET HEARING and MONTHLY MEETING FOR THE
TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK, GRANT COUNTY, WI
Wednesday, November 16, 2022, 6:00 PM
Town Hall, 15070 County G, Muscoda WI**

The first order of business was the Budget Hearing for the 2023 Budget. There were five people present. The Clerk handed out copies of the Proposed 2023 Budget (copy attached) and commented on the various line items therein. A short question and answer session followed. There were no objections presented to the budget. When there were no further questions or comments Chairman Johnsrud adjourned the Budget Hearing. Chairman Johnsrud then convened the regular Board monthly meeting for November.

Present: Chairman Brian Johnsrud, Supervisor Randall Foreman, Supervisor Donald Hrubes.

Call to order. The Chairman called the meeting to order.

Minutes of last meeting. The Clerk presented the minutes of the last meeting to the Board. Motion by Hrubes and second by Foreman to accept the minutes of the previous meeting; motion carried voice vote.

Treasurer's report. The Treasurer presented a financial report. Motion by Foreman and second by Hrubes to accept the Treasurer's financial report; motion carried voice vote.

Paying bills. The Town Board examined the bills presented for payment. Motion by Foreman and second by Hrubes to pay the bills; motion carried voice vote.

The Supervisors reported that the mower has been fixed and parked.

The Chairman discussed raising the hourly wage for Town Employees to \$20/hour and made a motion for the same, seconded by Supervisor Hrubes. There was discussion on the matter. By a show of hands all Board members approved the motion; motion carried.

The Chairman discussed raising the Clerk's salary by \$1,000 and made a motion for the same, seconded by Supervisor Foreman. There was discussion on the matter. The Clerk said that so much of the increased duties of the job as Town Clerk are associated with Elections and the high level of scrutiny that has come about in recent years. By a show of hands all Board members approved the motion; motion carried.

There was discussion on the Proposed 2023 Budget. Motion by Hrubes, second by Foreman that the Board adopt the budget as proposed; by a show of hands all Board members approved the motion; motion carried.

There was discussion on the Proposed 2022 Township Tax levy, Payable in 2023 in the amount of \$117,800. Motion by Hrubes, second by Foreman that the Board adopt this proposed tax levy budget; by a show of hands all Board members approved the motion; motion carried.

There was discussion on the LRIP project for Shemak Road. Chairman Johnsrud reported that he would be itemizing the various bills for this project and then submitting them to the County Highway Commissioner for their review and action.

The Board discussed bridges that may need to be looked at in the future for replacement: one on Shemak Road and one on Hooks Road. No action was taken.

Next meeting. Tuesday, December 13, 2022, 6:00 PM

Adjournment. There was no further business to transact. Motion by Hrubes and second by Foreman to adjourn; the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 7 PM.

Lavern Hrubes, Town Clerk