

**Town of Somerset**  
**Public Budget Hearing, Special**  
**Town Meeting of the Electors & Special**  
**Town Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, November 15, 2017**  
(Not official until approved at next meeting)

**7:00 p.m. - Public Budget Hearing on Proposed 2018 Budget**

Chairman Schachtner called the Public Budget Hearing to order. Town Board members present: Demulling, Germain, Rauch, and Schachtner. Absent: Plourde. Town residents present: Bill Lawson, Rita Lawson, Joe Jahnke and Tabatha Hansen. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Printed handouts of the proposed 2018 Budget were presented, as well as a detailed review by Schachtner. No public comments. Motion by Bill Lawson, seconded by Joe Jahnke to close the public budget hearing at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried.

**7:15 p.m. Special Town Meeting of the Electors**

Chairman Schachtner called the Special Town Meeting of Electors to order at 7:15 p.m.

- Approval of 2018 highway expenditures in the amount of \$662,067. Motion by Bill Lawson, seconded by Rita Lawson to approve the 2018 highway expenditures of \$662,067. Motion carried. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried.
- Adopt 2017 Town tax levy to be paid in 2018 in the amount of \$767,537. (a decrease of \$50.64 per \$100,000 assessed value). Motion by Joe Jahnke, seconded by Tabatha Hansen to adopt the 2017 Town tax levy of \$767,537. Motion carried. 5 years, 0 nays.
- Establish the compensation of the elected Town officials for the terms of office to begin April 2018 (no change). Motion by Rita Lawson, seconded by Joe Jahnke to establish the compensation of the elected Town officials for the terms of office as presented. Motion carried. 5 years, 0 nays.
- To authorize the Town Board to hire Town officers as employees of the Town for part-time work (snowplowing) and set the hourly rate of pay. Motion by Bill Lawson, seconded by Joe Jahnke to authorize the Town Board to hire Town officers as part time employees with the rate of pay set at \$20.00/hour with no benefits. Motion carried. 5 years, 0 nays.

Motion by Bill Lawson, seconded by Joe Jahnke to adjourn the Special Town Meeting of Electors at 7:20 p.m. Motion carried.

**7:20 p.m. Special Town Board Meeting**

Chairman Schachtner called the special meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Present were Germain, Rauch, Demulling, and Schachtner. Absent: Plourde.

Adoption of 2018 Budget: Motion by Demulling, seconded by Rauch to adopt the 2018 budget as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Rauch, seconded by Germain to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Jeri Koester, Clerk