

Proceedings of The Green County Board of Supervisors

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREEN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS August 25, 2009

Arthur Carter, Chair, called the meeting to order.
The Clerk read the roll with 26 present and 5 absent being Iverson, G. Davis, Stettler, Benzschawel, and Lueschow.
The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
Motion by Dalton, seconded by P. Davis to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2009 meeting. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION 8-2-09

Resolution Authorizing a Referendum to Exceed State Imposed Tax Levy Limits in 2010 through 2014 and Authorizing a Fund Transfer for Referendum Election Expenses

WHEREAS, the Green County Board of Supervisors does proclaim its continuing support for county ownership and operation of Pleasant View Nursing Home for so long as it is practical for the county to do so; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has imposed limits on town, village, city and county property tax levies for 2010 under Wis. Stat. section 66.0602 of Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. section 66.0602 of Wisconsin Statutes limits the increase in 2010 to the local property tax levy to no more than 3% of last year=s levy; and

WHEREAS, the current state budget as adopted allows a 3% increase (\$341,459) plus a Acarryover@ base increase of \$281,919 for a total increase of 5.48%; and

WHEREAS, the Finance and Accounting Committee has determined that it may be necessary to levy up to an additional \$890,000 above the levy limit for each of the next five years for the financial well being and stability of Pleasant View Nursing Home; and

WHEREAS, Section 66.0602(4) of the Wisconsin Statutes allows a political subdivision to exceed the levy limit if the governing body adopts a resolution to that effect and if the resolution is approved in a referendum; and

WHEREAS, the Finance and Accounting Committee has determined that it is desirable and in the best interest of Green County to conduct a county-wide special referendum to determine whether the Green County taxpayers support the county exceeding the levy limit under Section 66.0602, or any successor thereto, for the next five fiscal years, in recognition that Section 66.0602 may be amended or renewed in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Green County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, does hereby approve that a special referendum election shall be held on October 6, 2009, and that the following question, modified as necessary to conform to any directives from the Department of Revenue or changes in the law, be placed on the ballot as a binding special referendum question:

Under state law, the increase in the levy of the County of Green for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2010, is limited to 5.48%, which results in a levy of \$12,005,340. Shall the County of Green be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next five fiscal years, 2010 through 2014, by up to \$890,000 per year (which for 2010 equals an additional 7.82% for a total increase of 13.3%) which results in a levy of \$12,895,340 for 2010, which sum does not include exempt library services or other exemptions from the levy limit, for the exclusive purpose of paying for a portion of the cost of operating Pleasant View Nursing Home?

YES _____ NO _____

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green County Board of Supervisors supports an increase in the county tax levy to exceed the state levy limit for the next five years, 2010 through 2014 up to \$890,000 per year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Green County Board of Supervisors approves a fund transfer of up to \$20,000 from the General Fund to the County Clerk Election budget for the costs of the special referendum election.

SIGNED: THE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING COMMITTEE:

Harvey Mandel, Chair
Arthur Carter
Dennis Everson

Sue Disch, Vice-Chair
Al Benzschawel

Motion by Disch, seconded by Mandel to adopt Resolution 8-2-09. After discussion and a statement read by Fiduccia, motion by Fiduccia, seconded by Foreback to table the referendum for six months. Motion to table failed by a voice vote of 9 yes votes and 15 no votes. After further discussion, motion to adopt the resolution carried by a majority roll call vote of 23 yes votes and 3 no votes being Fiduccia, Torkelson and Foreback.

RESOLUTION 8-3-09

Resolution Authorizing Intergovernmental Sanitary Sewer and Water Service Agreement

WHEREAS, a sanitary sewer agreement between the City of Monroe and the County of Green for services to the Pleasant View Complex has been in place since 1950; and

WHEREAS, a water agreement between the City of Monroe and the County of Green for services to the Pleasant View Complex has been in place since 1970; and

WHEREAS, a combined sanitary sewer and water service agreement has been updated by the City of Monroe; and

WHEREAS, the new agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Pleasant View Nursing Home Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Green County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, that the Board does hereby authorize the County Board Chair and the County Clerk to sign the agreement on behalf of Green County.

SIGNED: PLEASANT VIEW NURSING HOME COMMITTEE:

Herb Hanson, Chair
Al Benzschawel
Craig Foreback

Dennis Everson, Vice-Chair
Tim Davis

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Everson to adopt Resolution 8-3-09. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

There were no appointments for the board=s consideration.

There were no out-of-state travel requests for the board=s consideration.

Motion by Disch, seconded by Furgal to adjourn. Motion carried.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

COUNTY OF GREEN)

I, Michael J. Doyle, County Clerk, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the County Board of Supervisors of Green County, Wisconsin, on their meeting of August 25, 2009, A.D.

Michael J. Doyle
Green County Clerk

NOTICE OF FUND TRANSFER

I, Michael J. Doyle, County Clerk for Green County, Wisconsin, hereby certify that the following fund transfer from the Undesignated General Fund in the amount of up to \$20,000.00 was made by the Green County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, August 25, 2009, to the County Clerk Election account.

Michael J. Doyle
Green County Clerk

NOTICE OF SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION COUNTY OF GREEN OCTOBER 6, 2009

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at a special referendum election to be held in the several towns, villages, wards, and election districts of the County of Green, on Tuesday, October 6, 2009, the following question will be submitted to a vote of the people pursuant to law:

Under state law, the increase in the levy of the County of Green for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2010, is limited to 5.48%, which results in a levy of \$12,005,340. Shall the County of Green be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next five fiscal years, 2010 through 2014, by up to \$890,000 per year (which for 2010 equals an additional 7.82% for a total increase of 13.3%) which results in a levy of \$12,895,340 for 2010, which sum does not include exempt library services or other exemptions from the levy limit, for the exclusive purpose of paying for a portion of the cost of operating Pleasant View Nursing Home?

YES _____ NO _____

This referendum is a result of Resolution 8-2-09, a copy of which can be viewed or downloaded from Green County=s website at www.co.green.wi.gov. A copy of the entire text of the resolution directing the submission of the question can also be obtained from the office of the County Clerk at the Green County Courthouse, 1016 16th Avenue, Monroe, Wisconsin.

DONE in the City of Monroe,
this 2nd day of September, 2009.

Michael J. Doyle, Green County Clerk