

**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS**  
**2026 BUDGET**  
**TOWN OF NEW HOPE, PORTAGE COUNTY, WI**

Wednesday, November 19, 2025 6:10 p.m.

Members Present: Chair Todd Knepfel, Supervisors Timm Raddatz and Ray Reser

Also Present: Treasurer Dorene Stolpa and Clerk Pat Zellmer

Guests: Norm Groshek, Dave Swenson

1. **Call to order.** The Special Town Meeting of Electors was called to order by Chair Knepfel at 6:15 pm.
2. **Approve the total town tax levy for the 2026 Annual Budget.** Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 60.10(1)(a), attending Town Electors voted on the total town levy in the amount of \$171,566, the allowable 2025 town tax levy. Norm Groshek moved to approve the levy as presented in the 2026 budget proposal, seconded by Dave Swensen.

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| Number of Town Electors voting AYE: | <u>7</u> |
| Number of Town Electors voting NAY: | <u>0</u> |
| Number of Town Electors Abstaining: | <u>0</u> |

Motion carried, 7:0:0 in favor of the total levy limit at \$171,566.

3. **Approve the total highway expenditures for the 2026 Annual Budget.** Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § Sec. 81.01(3) of Wis. Stat, attending Town Electors voted on the total highway expenditures in the amount of \$172,400 for a dollar increase of \$400 (0.02%). Ray Reser moved to approve the total highway expenditures as presented in the 2026 budget proposal, seconded by Norm Groshek.

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Motion carried, 7:0:0 in favor of the total levy limit at \$172,400.

4. **Adjournment.** The 2025 Special Town Meeting of Electors was adjourned at 6:25 pm.