

**TOWN OF CEDARBURG
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 29, 2018**

Present: Wayne Pipkorn, Bill Wattson, Thomas Esser
Also Present: Tim Rhode, Town Administrator, Adam Monticelli, DPW, Eric Ryer, Asst.
Administrator/Clerk, Jeff Boerner, Foreman

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Pipkorn called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Discussion and possible motion approving minutes from the 10/30/18 Finance Committee meeting

Tom Esser moved to approve the minutes from October 30, 2018. Bill Wattson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible recommendation on the 2019 Town of Cedarburg Budget

Administrator Rhode walked the Committee through the budget. He noted the Board directed a 2.95% tax rate increase to generate about \$58,000 in new tax revenue in 2019 in addition to the amount generated by net new construction. He noted the Town budgets about \$71,000 into the equipment fund, which allows for cash purchase of equipment. For 2019, that amount will be \$57,000 due to the purchase of a \$14,000 pressure washer. The Town will spend \$150,000 on road maintenance in 2019, while setting aside additional money for future road projects. He then reviewed the various funds within the budget with the Committee.

Bill Wattson inquired about shared services with the City of Cedarburg. Administrator Rhode noted the Fire Department did increase costs in the 2019 budget, but notes the Town appreciates the great service they provide residents and the value it is for the community. He noted the Town spent \$40,000 in ash tree removal in 2018, increasing that to \$60,000 for 2019. Asst. Administrator/Clerk Ryer noted the Recreation fund is increasing slightly in 2019, but will be 100% self-supporting (user fees and sponsorships). Director of Public Works Monticelli also discussed the importance of developing a future plan for road improvements.

Following discussion, Bill Wattson moved the Finance Committee recommend the Town Board approve the budget as proposed. Tom Esser seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Bill Wattson made a motion that was seconded by Tom Esser to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 2:56p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric Ryer
Asst. Administrator/Clerk