

RESOLUTION # 2015-08
EXERCISING THE REFERENDUM OPTION IN THE TOWN OF POLK,
WASHINGTON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has placed levy limits on towns, villages, cities, and counties under Wis. Stats. § 66.0602; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Polk, Washington County, believes that for the 2015 tax levy (collected in 2016) it is in the Town's best interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above by a greater percentage than the percent of net new construction; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Polk 2015 payable in 2016 adjusted actual levy is \$0.638 and, further, state law would limit the increase to \$0 dollar plus the amount allowed for net new construction, for an allowable town tax levy of \$0.638 before adjustments, for 2015 (collected in 2016).

WHEREAS, the Town of Polk is designating the additional increase for road repair and construction within the Town of Polk; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF POLK, WASHINGTON COUNTY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Town Board hereby supports an increase in the town tax levy for 2015 (collected in 2016) that would exceed the amount allowed by the state levy limit by ~~\$0.638~~ * \$0.367 per \$1000. Further, the Town Board supports the above-referenced increase on an ongoing basis, as authorized by Wis. Stat. § 66.0602(4) (a).

~~2.~~ The Town Board directs that the question of increasing the Town tax levy for 2015 (collected in 2016) by ~~fifty five percent (55%)*~~ by fifty-nine percent (59% for 2016) over the allowable levy limit and on an ongoing basis be put to Special Referendum on November 3, 2015.

3. A copy of the referendum question is attached and incorporated by reference.

Adopted this 24th day of August, 2015. Posted as required by Wis Stat. § 60.80.

_____ Albert J. Schulteis, Chairman

_____ Robert Roecker, Supervisor

_____ Theodore C. Merten, Supervisor

ATTEST: _____ Marlyss K. Thiel, Town Clerk

*Numbers changed per motion by the Town Board on August 24, 2015. See attached.

Referendum for Election – November 3, 2015 – Town of Polk

Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Town of Polk, Washington County, Wisconsin for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2015 to be collected in 2016, is limited to 0.713% which results in a levy of \$0.621 per \$1,000 and a total tax levy of \$366,963 for 2016.

Shall the Town of Polk be allowed to exceed this statutory limit by increasing the tax rate an additional \$0.367 per \$1,000 on an ongoing basis (an increase of 59% for 2016) resulting in a levy of \$0.988 per \$1,000 for a total tax levy of \$583,469 for 2016?

Yes

No

Approved August 24, 2015 by the Town Board of the Town of Polk As:

Resolution #2015-08 Exercising the Referendum Option for the November 2015 Town of Polk Special Election. Supervisor Roecker moved to approve Resolution #2015-08 Exercising the Referendum Option for the November 2015 Town of Polk Special Election, contingent on numbers being verified by the Town's attorney and the Department of Revenue; and for the corrections to be approved by the Town Chairman and that the Town Clerk make changes to reflect those numbers, before going to the County Clerk for the Referendum Question. Supervisor Merten seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Attest:

Marlyss K. Thiel, Town Clerk

Date

Albert Schulteis, Town Chairman