

***PUBLIC HEARING
AND
ELECTOR'S BUDGET MEETING
TOWN OF LAFOLLETTE***

Monday, October 21, 2024

Attendance: Chair, Darwyn Brown; Supervisor Scott Lauder; Supervisor Mitch Coyour, Clerk Sandy Hinkley.

Residents: 3 > Mike Tarnowski, Dana Daniels, Doug Coyour

Public Hearing of Proposed 2025 town budget

Start: 7:00 pm

Posting Verification: Notice and proposed 2025 budget posted required number of days, on Website and two physical locations.

2025 proposed budget presented and open for discussion.

No discussion occurred

Motion to adjourn by Mike Tarnowski, 2nd by Dana Daniels. Verbal vote of Aye in favor

Adjourn: 7:02 pm

Meeting of Electors

Start: 7:02 pm

Posting Verification: Notice and proposed budget posted required number of days, on Website and two physical locations.

A motion was made to accept Town Resolution # 2024-002 to authorize the use of unused levy of \$4.00.

Mike Tarnowski made the motion, Dana Daniels seconded

Vote by raise of hands: Aye: 6 Nay: 0

A motion was made to accept Town Resolution # 2024-003 to approve the total 2024 town tax levy (to be collected in 2025) of \$423,374.

Mike Tarnowski made the motion, Dana Daniels seconded

Vote by raise of hands: Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain from Vote: 1

Motion to adjourn by Dana Daniels, 2nd by Mike Tarnowski

Adjourn: 7:08 pm

Sandy Hinkley
Town Clerk

TOWN OF LaFOLLETTE
3-Oct-24
2025 PROPOSED BUDGET

2024
Approved
Budget
October 2023

2024
Revised
Budget
Ongoing

2025
Proposed
Budget

2025
Change from
2024 Revised
Budget

INCOME					
	Carry Over from Previous Year		\$18,796		
	TAXES (LEVY)				
	Property Taxes:	\$282,432	\$282,432	\$283,471	0.37%
	Siren Fire Department Increase				
	Road Loan Payments:				
	Sterling Bank Road Loan Levy #1	\$128,012	\$128,012		
	Community Bank Loan Levy #2			\$139,903	
	Road Loan Levy #3				
	Road Loan Levy #4				
	LEVY TOTAL	\$410,444	\$410,444	\$423,374	3.15%
	INTERGOVERNMENTAL :				
	MFL/FCL	\$137	\$1,051	\$137	
	Shared Revenue	\$39,446	\$39,446	\$47,024	
	Transportation Aids	\$117,261	\$117,261	\$117,261	
	DNR	\$610	\$610	\$610	
	State Fire Aids	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
	Fire Signs	\$200	\$202	\$200	
	License & Permits	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	
	Fuel Tax Refund	\$400	\$400	\$400	
	LRIP-S Williams Road -- WISDOT	\$149,210	\$149,210		
	TRIP Warner Lake Road	\$18,000	\$18,305		
	TRIP Indian Creek Road				
	Fire Department SAP	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$3,200	
	INTERGOVERNMENTAL SUBTOTAL :	\$333,964	\$335,185	\$174,332	-47.99%
	MISCELLANEOUS:				
	Bank Interest	\$8	\$806	\$500	
	Community Bank Loan		\$260,000		
	Personal Property Tax	\$130	\$130	\$130	
	Dog License Fees	\$300	\$364	\$300	
	Land/Equipment Sale				
	Exempt Computer	\$5	\$237	\$100	
	Transfer From ARPA Account				
	Over Paid Taxes	\$0	\$3,561	\$0	
	MISCELLANEOUS SUBTOTAL:	\$443	\$265,098	\$1,030	
	INCOME TOTAL	\$744,851	\$1,010,727	\$598,736	-40.76%

LaFollette	BUDGET YEAR		% Change
	2024	2025	
Levy Amount	410,444	423,374	3.15%
Equalized Value	152,910,400	190,807,400	24.78%
Levy/\$1000 EV	\$2.6842	\$2.2189	-17.34%

TOWN OF LaFOLLETTE 3-Oct-24 2025 PROPOSED BUDGET		2024 Approved Budget October 2023	2024 Revised Budget Ongoing	2025 Proposed Budget	2025 Change from 2024 Revised Budget
EXPENSES					
General Fund:					
Board Salary		\$15,600	\$14,600	\$14,600	
Board Expenses		\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	
Legal Fees/Publications		\$500	\$500	\$500	
Town Clerk Wages		\$16,200	\$16,200	\$16,200	
Clerk Expenses		\$3,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	
Accounting Expenses		\$0	\$0	\$0	
Payroll Expenses		\$22,250	\$14,400	\$22,250	
Treasurer Wages		\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000	
Treasurer Expenses		\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
Bank Charges		\$50	\$50	\$50	
Assessor		\$5,700	\$5,700	\$5,700	
Election Wages		\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
Election Expenses		\$7,900	\$7,900	\$7,900	
Misc Insurance/Bond/WC		\$1,000	\$1,312	\$7,600	
Siren Fire Department		\$11,570	\$11,570	\$11,570	
Hertel Fire Department		\$10,700	\$10,700	\$10,700	
Hertel Fire Department SAP		\$5,600	\$5,600	\$5,800	
Ambulance Services		\$35,000	\$35,260	\$37,000	
Town Infrastructure		\$7,000	\$18,000	\$10,000	
Utilities		\$2,000	\$3,200	\$4,000	
Dog License Paid to County		\$100	\$100	\$100	
Website		\$400	\$400	\$1,000	
Overpaid Taxes Refund		\$0	\$3,561		
GENERAL FUND SUBTOTAL		\$159,570	\$169,053	\$174,970	3.50%
Road Fund:					
Hwy Wages		\$70,000	\$70,000	\$70,000	
Outside Contractors		\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	
Highway Expense		\$182,759	\$448,418	\$175,363	
Highway Grants Expense		\$167,210	\$167,210		
Equipment Maintenance		\$8,000	\$15,000	\$8,000	
Highway Insurance		\$7,600	\$7,600	\$8,000	
Fuel		\$8,000	\$8,000	\$8,000	
Bldg Maintenance		\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	
Shop Supplies		\$200	\$1,000	\$1,000	
Highway Materials - Salt/Sand		\$7,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	
Animal Control/Culvert Cleaning			\$1,000	\$1,000	
ROAD FUND SUBTOTAL		\$457,269	\$730,728	\$283,863	-61.15%
Loan Payments:					
Principle Equip Loan		\$0	\$0	\$0	
Interest Equip Loan		\$0	\$0	\$0	
Road Loan Principle		\$124,303	\$124,303	\$126,461	
Road Loan Interest		\$3,709	\$3,709	\$13,442	
LOAN PAYMENT SUBTOTAL		\$128,012	\$128,012	\$139,903	9.29%
EXPENSE TOTAL		\$744,851	\$1,027,793	\$598,736	-41.75%
INCOME TOTAL		\$744,851	\$1,010,727	\$598,736	-40.76%
WHITE PINE CEMETERY					
Beginning Balance		\$14,993		\$14,993	\$14,993

**RESOLUTION OF TOWN OF LAFOLLETTE BOARD
TO USE PREVIOUS YEAR'S UNUSED TAX LEVY**

**Town of LaFollette, Burnett County
Resolution No. 2024-002**

Whereas, the Wisconsin state legislature has encouraged fiscal restraint by establishing tax levy limits on municipal budgets, providing needed tax relief to property owners;

Whereas, the Town of LaFollette has proposed an operating budget for 2025 that heeded that direction and significantly restrained expenditures without reducing services;

Whereas, Wis. Stat. § 66.0602(3)(f) permits municipalities to use a portion of the prior year's unused tax levy limit, up to a maximum of 1.5% of the actual tax levy;

THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of LaFollette, Burnett County does hereby resolve and order as follows:

1. The Town Board board approves the use of unused levy limit capacity, as determined by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue in the amount of **\$4.00** to help fund the 2025 operating budget.
2. The town board directs that the question of authorizing the town board to use unused levy limit capacity, as determined by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue in the amount of **\$ 4.00**, shall be placed on the agenda for the special town elector meeting to be held on October 21, 2024.

Adopted this 2nd day of October, 2024.

Signature of Town Chair: *Dawn L Brown*

Attested by Town Clerk*: *Sandy Hinkley*

**RESOLUTION OF TOWN ELECTORS
TO ADOPT THE TOTAL TOWN TAX LEVY
AT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF TOWN ELECTORS**

**Town of LaFollette, Burnett County
Resolution No. 2024 – 003**

Whereas, Wis. Stat. § 60.10(1)(a) authorizes the town electors of a town to adopt the town tax levy at a town meeting of the electors;

Whereas, a special town meeting of the town electors has been called and properly noticed to approve the 2024 total town tax levy (to be collected in 2025), pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 60.10(1)(a);

Therefore, the special town meeting of the Town of LaFollette, Burnett County, Wisconsin, by a majority vote of the eligible electors duly assembled and voting on this 21st day of October, 2024, hereby resolves and orders as follows:

The Town Electors of the Town of LaFollette, Burnett County, Wisconsin adopt the total town tax levy for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) in the amount of \$ **\$423,374.00**

Adopted this 21st day of October, 2024, at a Special Town Meeting of the Town Electors.

Number of town electors voting aye 5

Number of town electors voting nay 0

Number abstaining or not voting (if determined) 1

Signature of Town Meeting Chair: Dawn I Brown

Attested by Town Clerk: Sandy Hinkley