NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN ELECTORS

Town of LaFollette, Burnett County
Town Hall
24814 Malone Road, Siren, Wisconsin

October 12, 2026

Immediately following the completion of the Public Hearing on the proposed 2027 town budget, which begins at 7:00 p.m.

- To approve the 2026 total town tax levy (to be collected in 2027), pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 60.10(1)(a).

Sandy Hinkley,
Town Clerk

Posted Sept 28, 2026

MEETING MINUTES
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF TOWN ELECTORS
TOWN OF LAFOLLETTE

Monday, October 12, 2026

Attendance: Chair Darwyn Brown, Supervisor Scott Lauder, Supervisor Mitch Coyour, Treasurer Karen Mangelsen, Deputy Treasurer Renae Judd, Clerk Sandy Hinkley

Residents: 6 residents + 5 resident Board members = 11 total
Sign In attached
Meeting Start: 8:27pm

Verification of Posting: Agenda/Notice along with proposed budget posted on website, at Town Hall and Coomer on 9/28/26

2027 Budget and Levy presented to Electors

Anne Taylor makes a motion to adopt 2027 Levy of $ 439,986, Dana Daniels seconds. Vote taken
11 votes Aye 0 votes Nay 0 votes Abstain Motion carried

Discussion of wages paid to board members for labor performed for town benefit beyond expected board duties. Current rate is $25 hour. Discussed effort often expected after hours, late evenings. Resident discussion about potential of charging residents if emergency labor effects property, that is a per incident determination. Proposal will balance rate to what Road Maintenance receives per hour.

Dana Daniels makes a motion to increase labor rate to $35 per hour for Board labor performed from 6:00 am – 5:00 pm and $50 per hour if performed during 5:00 pm – 6:00 am; Harvey Amus seconded. Vote taken, excluding 3 Board members.
7 votes Aye 0 votes Nay 1 vote Abstain Motion carried

Town Chair Darwyn requests a $5,000 project management fee for efforts given on Herrick and Town Line Road project. Patti Hurst asked for details. Project is extensive with LRIP Grant, culverts and complexity of roads. Original proposal had $80,000 budgeted for Cooper Engineering project management. It was determined Darwyn could replace effort of engineering firm and Town could manage project internally, eliminating the $80,000 expense for the Town. Darwyn has been present daily and making decisions to manage the project. Town project management is not a reimbursable expense for grant.

Dana Daniels made a motion to pay Darwyn $5,000 for project management of LRIP project #19997, payable at project completion; Bertha Amus seconded. Vote taken, excluding 3 Board members.
8 votes Aye 0 votes Nay 0 votes Abstain Motion carried

Dana Daniels makes a motion to adjourn; Anne Taylor seconds. Vote taken.
11 votes Aye 0 votes Nay 0 votes Abstain Motion carried

Metting Adjourned 9:05 pm

Sandy Hinkley, Town Clerk

TOWN OF LaFOLLETTE 25-Sep-26 2027 BUDGET	2026 Approved Budget October 2025	2026 Revised Budget Ongoing	2027 Proposed Budget	2027 Change from 2026 Budget
INCOME				
TAXES (LEVY)				
Property Taxes:	$287,353	$287,353	$290,102	**0.96%**
Siren Fire Department Increase				
Road Loan Payments:				
Community Bank Road Loan Levy #1	$139,903	$139,903		
Community Bank Truck Loan Levy #2			$149,884	
Road Loan Levy #3				
Road Loan Levy #4				
LEVY TOTAL	**$427,256**	**$427,256**	**$439,986**	**2.98%**
INTERGOVERNMENTAL :				
MFL/FCL	$10,000	$23,886	$20,000	
Shared Revenue	$48,623	$48,623	$50,000	
Transportation Aids	$117,261	$125,668	$129,442	
DNR	$610	$610	$610	
State Fire Aids	$3,000	$3,000	$3,000	
Fire Signs	$200	$200	$200	
License & Permits	$2,500	$2,370	$2,500	
Fuel Tax Refund	$400	$400	$400	
LRIP-S Herrick Road and Town Line Road			$523,862	
TRIP Warner Lake Road				
TRIP Indian Creek Road	$186,375	$122,842		
Fire Department 2%		$6,234	$6,300	
Fire Department SAP	$5,100	$2,318	$2,400	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL SUBTOTAL :	**$374,069**	**$336,152**	**$738,714**	**97.48%**
MISCELLANEOUS:				
Bank Interest	$1,000	$1,119	$1,200	
Community Bank Loan				
Personal Property Tax	$0	$0	$0	
Dog License Fees	$300	$289	$300	
Land/Equipment Sale		$200		
Exempt Computer/Misc Income	$500	$2,296	$1,500	
Cash from Dec 30 Reconcilation		$25,845	$20,000	
Set-aside for Truck Purchase	$0	$94,000		
Community Bank Loan for Truck		$280,000		
White Pine Cemetery Income	$17,482	$15,944	$1,200	
Over Paid Taxes	$2,060	$3,657	$0	
MISCELLANEOUS SUBTOTAL:	**$21,342**	**$423,351**	**$24,200**	
INCOME TOTAL	**$822,667**	**$1,186,758**	**$1,202,900**	**46.22%**

PROPOSED

	BUDGET YEAR		
LaFollette	**2026**	**2027**	**% Change**
Levy Amount	427,256	439,986	2.98%
Equalized Value	176,349,600	179,015,000	1.51%
Levy/$1000 EV	$2.4228	$2.4578	1.45%

	TOWN OF LaFOLLETTE 25-Sep-26 2027 BUDGET	2026 Approved Budget October 2025	2026 Revised Budget Ongoing	2027 Proposed Budget	2027 Change from 2026 Budget
EXPENSES					
	General Fund:				
	Board Salary	$14,600	$14,600	$25,100	
	Board Expenses	$2,000	$2,000	$2,000	
	Legal Fees/Publications	$500	$700	$500	
	Town Clerk Wages & Benefits	$16,200	$16,200	$18,010	
	Clerk Expenses & Website	$9,500	$31,721	$32,000	
	Accounting Expenses	$0	$0	$0	
	Payroll Expenses	$22,250	$22,250	$11,000	
	Treasurer Wages & Benefits	$9,000	$9,000	$9,450	
	Treasurer Expenses	$5,000	$5,000	$5,500	
	Bank Charges	$50	$50	$50	
	Assessor	$8,400	$8,400	$8,400	
	Election Wages	$3,000	$3,000	$2,000	
	Election Expenses	$7,900	$7,900	$1,500	
	Misc Insurance/Bond/WC	$7,600	$7,600	$7,600	
	Siren Fire Department	$11,013	$11,661	$13,000	
	Hertel Fire Department	$12,000	$13,692	$14,000	
	Hertel Fire Department SAP	$5,800	$5,566	$6,000	
	Ambulance Services	$37,000	$39,300	$42,000	
	Town Infrastructure	$10,000	$10,000	$10,000	
	Utilites	$4,000	$4,000	$4,000	
	Dog License Paid to County	$100	$100	$100	
	White Pine Cemetery Expenses	$17,482	$2,090	$2,000	
	Overpaid Taxes Refund		$3,657		
	GENERAL FUND SUBTOTAL	**$203,395**	**$218,486**	**$214,210**	**5.32%**
	Road Fund:				
	Hwy Wages	$80,000	$80,000	$80,000	
	Outside Contractors	$1,500	$2,618	$1,500	
	Highway Expense	$174,495	$252,070	$192,484	
	Highway Grants Expense	$186,375	$122,842	$523,862	
	New Truck Purchase		320,690	$0	
	Equipment Maintenace	$8,000	$13,624	$9,000	
	Highway Insurance	$8,000	$8,000	$9,000	
	Fuel	$8,000	$8,000	$8,000	
	Bldg Maintenance	$5,000	$12,525	$5,000	
	Shop Supplies	$1,000	$1,000	$1,000	
	Highway Materials - Salt/Sand	$6,000	$6,290	$8,000	
	Animal Control/Culvert Cleaning	$1,000	$710	$1,000	
	ROAD FUND SUBTOTAL	**$479,370**	**$828,369**	**$838,846**	**74.99%**
	Loan Payments:				
	Principle Equip Loan	$0	$0	$138,224	
	Interest Equip Loan	$0	$0	$11,620	
	Road Loan Principle	$126,461	$126,461		
	Road Loan Interest	$13,442	$13,442		
	LOAN PAYMENT SUBTOTAL	**$139,903**	**$139,903**	**$149,844**	**7.11%**
	EXPENSE TOTAL	**$822,668**	**$1,186,758**	**$1,202,900**	**46.22%**
	INCOME TOTAL	**$822,667**	**$1,186,758**	**$1,202,900**	**46.22%**

PROPOSED

TOWN OF LAFOLLETTE
ELECTORS MEETING
Town Budget and Levy Approval
October 12, 2026

SIGN IN

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