

The Board of Supervisors Budget/Compensation meeting of the Town of Fredenberg, Minnesota, St. Louis County was held in the Fredenberg Town Hall on Wednesday, February 7, 2024, at 8:21 PM.

Board members present: Chair Tim Wagner, Vice Chair Deb Pawlowicz, Supervisors Clay Cich, Walter Rapp, Jeff Blix and Clerk Ellen Hanson, Deputy Clerk Kim Wagner, and Treasurer Chelsey Mahr.

Others in Attendance: There were 6 others in attendance.

- 1. Call to order the Budget/Compensation meeting:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Wagner at 8:21 PM.
- 2. Approve the Agenda**
 - There was a motion by Supervisor Blix to approve the agenda as presented and seconded by Supervisor Rapp. There was a roll call vote and all signified affirmative. This motion was carried unanimously.
- 3. Proposed Levy**
 - The Board had a discussion on the past levies and last year's budget and expenses and together they are proposing/recommending the following for the 2025 levy. The proposal/recommendation will be presented at the annual meeting for voting on by the residents that are in attendance.
The amounts are:
General fund: \$35,000
Town building: \$ 15,000
Fire Department: \$118,850
Cemetery: \$1,000
Parks & Recreation: \$10,000
Roads & Bridges: \$180,000
Fire Hall Bond: \$60,000
Total \$419,850
There was a motion by Supervisor Cich to recommend at the annual meeting the listed fund amounts for the 2025 levy and seconded by Supervisor Blix. There was a roll call vote and all signified affirmative. This motion was carried unanimously.
- 4. Compensation**
 - The Board discussed employee hourly wage increases for 2024. There was a motion by Supervisor Cich to increase the wages across the board by 5%, except for the Recycling attendant position will stay at \$17.00/hour and will keep the additional 15 minutes at the beginning and ending shifts and seconded by Chair Wagner. There was a roll call vote and all signified affirmative. This motion was carried unanimously.
- 5. Open Forum**
 - None.
- 6. Adjourn**
 - There was a motion by Chair Wagner to adjourn and seconded Supervisor Blix. There was a roll call vote and all signified affirmative. This motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Hanson
Clerk
Kim Wagner, Deputy Clerk

Tim Wagner
Board Chair