

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 Budget**
  - 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