

## TOWN OF DOVRE

### BUDGET WORK MEETING

The Dovre Town Board met at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 30, 2014 at the Dovre Town Hall located at 304 25 ½ Street to review and work on the 2015 Budget for the Town of Dovre.

Chairman Dean Trowbridge called the Budget Work Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call - Supervisors – Tim Nelson – James Plummer – Mitch Hanson – Dan North and Chairman Dean Trowbridge are all present. Also Present - Clerk/Treasurer – Linda K. Reinolt, .Patrolman, - Art Harelstad, and Consultant Greg LaFond.

Consultant, Greg LaFond prepared Budget proposal Sheets for Receipts and Disbursements estimated through 2017. Mr. LaFond had met with Mr. Dan Thole, Financial Auditor for the Town of Dovre, with regard to setting up accounts according to State Recommendations in Quick Books. Mr. Lafond is proposing a very detailed System. Through Quick Books, a comparison report will also be available monthly. Clerk/Treasurer Note: Mr. Thole used these State Recommended Accounts, when he audited Town of Dovre Records and prepared the Schedule C Report for the Town. Clerk/Treasurer used this guideline when setting up Financial Spreadsheets for Town Financial Records.

Mr. LaFond asked Clerk/Treasurer if Town had received the Road Use Agreement Payment of \$100,000.00 from Northern Industrial Sands, LLC. We have not - Clerk will contact Northern Industrial Sands. LLC.

Mr. LaFond surveyed the surrounding counties, Chippewa, Barron Dunn, St Croix and Eau Claire Co with regard to wages paid to Chairman and Supervisors. Dovre is on the low side of Salaries and Per Diem paid with Populations of over 750 and Equalized Value \$80 Million. Mr. LaFond is recommending a proposal of \$7,500.00 plus Per Diem for Chairman's Position and \$4,000.00 plus Per Diem for Supervisor Positions. Clerk/Treasurer Position - \$17,330.00 Plus Per Diem This will be proposed at the Town of Dovre Budget Hearing. Dovre current Equalized Value is - \$99,932,300.00. Dovre Population – 857. Current Salaries – Chairman - \$1,695.00 – Supervisors - \$1,075.00 – Clerk/Treasurer - \$16,130.00. Per Diem - \$50.00. Per Diem applies to all positions.

Mr. LaFond's proposals with consideration of the monies that will come to the Town from the Sand Companies – the Town of Dovre Mill rate will decrease – 2013 Taxes paid in 2014 - \$3.95 per \$1,000.00 Valuation. Proposed Estimate – 2014 - \$2.34; 2015 - \$2.08; 2016 – \$1.17.

Notes: Town can have Undesignated Reserve Funds; Have a Contingency fund for future; Board wants to maintain a level of property taxes to be good for all Property Tax Payers: All of Dovre Road Equipment is paid for; Will receive more payments from the Ag Use Conversion Fees in 2015.

Mr. LaFond advised the Town to consider imposing an Application Fee of \$10,000.00 with future Road Use Agreements, including crossing of Town Roads.

Motion by North seconded by Hanson to hold the next Budget Work Meeting at 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 7, 2014 at the Dovre Town Hall. Motion Carried with a Unanimous Yes Vote.

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Trowbridge to hold the Town of Dovre Budget Hearing on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Dovre Town Hall. Motion Carried with a Unanimous Yes Vote.

Motion by Trowbridge, seconded by Nelson to Adjourn the Budget Work Meeting. Motion Carried with a Unanimous Yes Vote.

Linda K. Reinolt  
Clerk/Treasurer - Town of Dovre