

Resolution # 9-13
Increase in levy over state imposed limit

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has adopted levy limits on town, village, city and county levies for 2013 and thereafter under Sec. 66.0602 of Wis. Statutes;

Whereas, Sec. 66.0602 of Wis. Statutes limits the local levy for 2013 to a percentage increase to no more than the greater of (a) 0% of the allowable 2012 town tax levy based on the state's levy limit law or (b) a percentage equal to the percentage change in equalized value due to new construction less improvements removed; which for the Town of Liberty Grove is .145 percent;

Whereas, the Town Board of the Town of Liberty Grove, Door County, Wisconsin believes that for the 2013 tax levy (collected in 2014) it is in the Town's interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above by a greater percentage than .145%;

Whereas, the Town of Liberty Grove levy for 2013 is \$1,610,112 for the tax levy in 2012 (collected in 2013); and further whereas the state limit would limit the increase to \$-35,294 for a total allowable Town tax levy of \$1,574,818 for 2013, collected in 2014.

Now therefore the Town Board of the Town of Liberty Grove, Door County, Wisconsin does hereby resolve and order as follows:

1. The Town Board hereby supports an increase in the Town tax levy for 2013 (to be collected in 2014) that will exceed the state levy limit.
2. The Town Board directs that the question of increasing the Town tax levy for 2013 to be collected in 2014 by 12.7 percent, which would increase the Town levy by \$200,000 on an ongoing basis, for a total Town tax levy of \$1,774,818, shall be placed on the agenda for the Special Town Meeting to be held on November 18, 2013.

Lowry moved, Covotsos second to adopt resolution 9-13. Kalms noted that the Board was on the proposed budget agenda item and should be voted on first. Covotsos and Lowry then withdrew their second and motion. **Lowry moved, Goss second** to send the proposed budget for 2014 to the hearing on November 18. Carried 5-0. Note that the proposed budget without an override by the Town Meeting is \$1,574,818.

Resolution to exceed the state levy limit. Lowry moved, Covotsos second to adopt resolution 9-13. Roll call vote: Aye—Farber, Covotsos, Forkert, Goss, Lowry. Nay—0. Carried 5-0.

Lowry/Goss to adjourn. Carried 5-0. 8:05 PM.

Approved by the Town Board on November 20, 2013
Walter L. Kalms, Clerk/Administrator