

VILLAGE OF BELLEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING of the VILLAGE BOARD
Monday, January 7, 2013 at 7:00 P.M.
Village Hall - 24 West Main Street

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll call by Clerk
3. Posting of Open Meeting Notice
4. Visitors Who Would Like to Speak Now
5. Visitors Who Would Like to Speak On an Agenda Item
6. **Consent Agenda:**
 - a. Approval of Minutes - December 17, 2012
 - b. Approval of Bills for December 2012
7. Committee Reports
8. President's Report –
9. Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer's Report –

**ACTION REQUIRING A VOTE MAY BE TAKEN ON
ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS**

10. **Unfinished Business:**
 - a. Lake / Pedestrian Bridge Projects Update & Issues
 - b. Approval of Hiring Process for Police Department Officers
11. **New Business:**
 - a. Request to Rescind Motion from December 3, 2012, Regarding Part-Time Police Officers
 - b. Natural Heritage Land Trust Parcels Acquisition: Stewardship Grant Issue / Hunting Access
 - c. Discussion of Clerk of Courts Office Location
12. **Other Business:**
 - a. Correspondence
 - b. Announcements –

- c. Future Meeting Dates
- d. Questions and Items for Referral

13. Adjournment

-By Howard Ward, Village President

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Union Bank & Trust Co (UB&T), Sugar River Bank, Village Hall, Library, Village of Belleville Web site.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL VILLAGE OF BELLEVILLE BOARD MEETING
HELD MONDAY, **DECEMBER 17, 2012** AT
7:00 P.M. VILLAGE HALL - 24 WEST MAIN STREET

1. Call to order - The meeting was called to order by Village President Howard Ward at 7:00 PM.
2. Roll call by Clerk – Trustees present were: Tyler Kattre, Ben O'Brien, Howard Ward, Gary Ziegler, Daniel Rung, Deb Kazmar and Bonnie Wilcox.

Also present: Luann Alme, WPPA; Mike and Jean Tretow; Herb Blaser
3. The Clerk stated that the meeting has been noticed as required by law.
4. Visitors Who Would Like to Speak Now – No discussion.
5. Visitors Who Would Like to Speak On an Agenda Item – No discussion.
6. **Consent Agenda:** *Trustee Wilcox made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee Rung. Motion carried.*
 - a. Approval of Minutes - December 3, 2012
 - b. Approval of Bills for December 2012 to Date
 - c. Approval of Treasurer's Reports for November 2012
 - d. Approval of Operator's License Application for Ryan R. Kubly (J&M Bar)
7. Committee Reports – No discussion.
8. President's Report – No discussion.
9. Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer's Report – No discussion.

10. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. **Lake / Pedestrian Bridge Projects Update & Issues** – Herb Blaser asked about the pedestrian bridge; Jerry Butts replied that there is some concrete buckling. It will be repaired in the spring. Cattail harvesting permit has been received from the WI-DNR. There are some muskrats in the area; President Ward will look into trapping.
- b. **Approval of Budget Resolution #2-2012: Amendment of 2012 Adopted Budget** – *Trustee Wilcox made a motion to accept Budget Resolution 2-2012 as accepted; seconded by Trustee Kazmar. Motion carried with Trustee Ziegler opposed.* The resolution carries over 2012 budgeted funds to 2013, primarily for squad car purchase, police building and equipment upgrades, police uniforms and also reappropriates 2012-budgeted funds for tree removal and land annexation/CSM.
- c. **Approval of Budget Resolution #1-2013: Amendment of 2013 Adopted Budget (Carryovers)** – *Trustee Kattre made a motion to adopt Budget Resolution #1-2013; seconded by Trustee Ziegler. Motion carried.* This resolution amends the 2013 budget

to include funds carried over from the 2012 budget.

11. New Business:

- a. **Approval of Change Order #1 for Serv Us Street Project** - *Trustee Ziegler made a motion to approve Change Order #1 for Serv Us Street Project; seconded by Trustee Kattre. Motion carried.* The work was for an additional fire hydrant.
- b. **Approval of Final Solid Waste / Recycling Contract with Pellitteri** – Little suggested deleting one sentence that said Heritage Manor Apartments have private collection service, which is not correct. *Trustee Kattre made a motion to approve the Pellitteri contract amended, as described; seconded by Trustee Rung. Motion carried.*
- c. **Proposed Solid Waste Program Changes (Drop-Off)** – Trustee Ziegler said Public Works Committee made recommended changes to the dump site that are expected to save 70 hours of overtime. Pellitteri will provide additional service for a charge directly to residents.
Trustee Ziegler made a motion that effective January 1, Village dump site open hours will be April 1 – October 31, Mondays, 5-7 PM and third Saturday 9 -11 AM of each month for yard waste and waste oil drop off only; and that the changes be reviewed November of 2013 (all other wastes will be handled by Pellitteri for a charge); seconded by Trustee O'Brien. Jerry Butts said if more hours are needed, arrangements could be made at that time (i.e. November hours or more nights). Motion carried.
Trustee Ziegler made a motion to not have a fall clean up day in 2013; seconded by Trustee Wilcox. Motion carried with Trustee Kazmar objecting. Brush collection service will continue, however. Trustee Ziegler asked to offer the public service information updates via the Village web site.
- d. **Resolution 2012-12-02 to Accept Gift of Donated Land from Natural Heritage Land Trust** – President Ward said there will need to be an easement secured to link the new riverfront lands to Blaser Park for a path. *Trustee O'Brien made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-12-02; seconded by Trustee Kattre. Motion carried.*
- e. **Approval of Job Description Revisions for Police Department** – Trustee Kazmar: full time and part time positions would essentially have the same job description with minor changes. There will be one description. *Trustee Kazmar made a motion to make one job description for police officers and part time officers, as presented; seconded by Trustee Wilcox. Motion carried.*
- f. **Approval of Hiring Process for Police Department Officers** – Trustee Kazmar: She asked if there were objections to asking Dan Bolch to help with hiring process again. None heard. Also presented was a timeline for the hiring process.

12. CLOSED SESSION: *Trustee Ziegler made a motion to go into closed session; seconded by Trustee O'Brien. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.*

- a. Per Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(e) to discuss draft union contract changes proposal to WPPA

- b. To Discuss Police Department Staffing Per Wis. Stats. sec. 19.85(1)(c)
13. Resume Open Session – *Trustee Wilcox made a motion to resume open session; seconded by Trustee O'Brien. Motion carried. Resumed 8:23 PM.*
14. Discussion and Possible Action on Any Items Discussed in Closed Session –
- g. *Trustee Ziegler made a motion to approve the police union contract with WPPA as modified with final approval given by Village President and Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer; seconded by Trustee O'Brien. Motion carried.*
 - h. *Trustee Wilcox made a motion to amend the policy handbook's definition for "casual part-time employment" to include: "WRS and associated benefits shall be provided as required by law"; seconded by Trustee Rung. Motion carried.*
15. **Other Business:** Future meeting dates were noted.
16. **Adjournment** – *Trustee O'Brien made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Ziegler. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned by President Ward at 8:28 PM.*

*By April Little, Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer
These minutes are not official until approved by the Belleville Board of Trustees.*

GENERAL FUND CHECKING

ALL Checks

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Thru: 12/31/2012 Thru Account:

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		ACCT # 167309-010	
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		ACCT # 049-0101-00	
19643	12/11/2012	BELLEVILLE MUNICIPAL WATER DEPT (2)	94.67
19644	12/11/2012	BELLEVILLE POLICE DEPT PETTY CASH	15.63
		REIMBURSE PETTY CASH -VARIOUS	
19645	12/11/2012	BELLEVILLE POSTMASTER	100.00
		POST OFFICE BOX 140 RENEWAL	
19646	12/11/2012	BELLEVILLE PRINTING COMPANY, INC.	209.00
		INV # 29463 TAX BILL INSERTS	
19647	12/11/2012	BILL PREBOSKI	678.80
		OCT THRU NOV SERVICES INV # 4	
19648	12/11/2012	BOOK WHOLESALERS, INC.	8.37
		INV # 212408E	
19649	12/11/2012	BURRESON'S FOODS	350.34
		FOOD PANTRY MILK VOUCHERS	
19650	12/11/2012	BURRESON'S FOODS (2)	49.84
		ACCT # 047900500038 (LIBRARY ACCT)	
19651	12/11/2012	BYTEC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	3,151.35
		INV # 14003 SLUDGE REMOVAL	
19652	12/11/2012	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	133.91
		ACCT # 8245 11 719 0015586	
19653	12/11/2012	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	285.76
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		REFUND CREDIT ON ACCT. - MOVED	
19655	12/11/2012	CINTAS CORPORATION	276.41
		ACCT # 446-32222	
19656	12/11/2012	COREX EXCAVATION AND CONSTRUCTION LLC	124,355.58
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19659	12/11/2012	DANE COUNTY TREASURER NOVEMBER COURT	279.00
19660	12/11/2012	DEAN CLINIC ACCOUNT # 101010920	23.00
19661	12/11/2012	DEMCO INV # 4810257	1,862.59
19662	12/11/2012	DIGGERS HOTLINE, INC. INV # 121 1 77801	75.85
19663	12/11/2012	FARRELL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY CO., INC. INV # 592301 PUMP	1,314.80
19664	12/11/2012	FRONTIER (2) 608-424-3545-010165-5	250.89
19665	12/11/2012	GORDON FLESCH CO., INC. INV # 10203582	148.59
19666	12/11/2012	HAROLD'S EXCAVATING CO. CLARICE WILLOUGHBY FUNERAL	400.00
19667	12/11/2012	HILLEBRAND ENTERPRISES INV # 12-134 FLAG SWAGS (2)	58.00
19668	12/11/2012	INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES INV # 07751681	42.10
19669	12/11/2012	INTERIOR INVESTMENTS OF MADISON, LLC INV # 62494 WORKSTATION	300.00
19670	12/11/2012	LANDMARK SERVICES COOPERATIVE INV # 74-15865 GRASS SEED	281.98
19671	12/11/2012	MADISON RECHARGING SERVICE INC INV # 820459 BADGES	249.07
19672	12/11/2012	MANDT SANDFILL TRUCKING & EXCAVATING, LLC INV # 13659	20.00
19673	12/11/2012	MARY GEHIN HOTEL, MEALS, MILEAGE SEPT 12-14 CONF	358.15
19674	12/11/2012	MIDWEST TAPE INV # 90566454	418.83
19675	12/11/2012	MONTGOMERY ASSOCIATES -RESOURCE SOLUTIONS LLC INV # 4259 LAKE BELLE VIEW MONITORING	2,575.00

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19678	12/11/2012	NEWS PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC. NOV 6TH ELECTION HOURS	681.45
19679	12/11/2012	NORTH SHORE BANK,FSB DEC 11TH PAYROLL	250.00
19680	12/11/2012	NORTHERN LAKE SERVICE, INC. INV # 225378 SLUDGE TESTS	381.90
19681	12/11/2012	PATRICIA MCDANIEL HISTORIC NAT'L ROAD YARDSALE COOKBOOK IV	20.00
19682	12/11/2012	PRESTON DORAN REFUND FOR LOST ITEM THAT WAS FOUND	23.00
19683	12/11/2012	PT FIREARMS LLC INV # 821562	60.00
19684	12/11/2012	PURE WATERS, LLC INV # 90121	46.00
19685	12/11/2012	QUILL CORPORATION INV # 7373086	711.04
19686	12/11/2012	REINDERS, INC. ORDER # 1412624-00	185.27
19687	12/11/2012	RIVERSIDE MANUFACTURING COMPANY INV # 5108443 001	243.89
19688	12/11/2012	ROLAND SKREDE CLEAN WINDOWS 11/1/12	25.00
19689	12/11/2012	SOUTH CENTRAL LIBRARY SYSTEM INV 11-1368 2 DELL OPTIPLEX 7010	1,697.80
19690	12/11/2012	STAFFORD ROSENBAUM LLP GENERAL MUNICIPAL ADVICE	8,595.89
19691	12/11/2012	STATE OF WISCONSIN NOVEMBER COURT	371.00
19692	12/11/2012	SUGAR RIVER BANK BUTTS	200.00
19693	12/11/2012	TAPCO INV # 409261 ORD # DECALS FOR SIGNS	207.93
19694	12/11/2012	TASTE OF HOME BOOKS TOH ULTIMATE GROUND BEEF	33.74

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19697	12/11/2012	U.S. CELLULAR ACCT # 216554799	51.04
19698	12/11/2012	U.S. CELLULAR ACCT # 335032686	154.11
19699	12/11/2012	VICTORIA BEIERSDORF REIMBURSE FOR LIGHT MOUNT	31.64
19700	12/11/2012	VILLAGE OF BELLEVILLE 2012 WATER TAXES INV # 2012-67	67,000.00
19701	12/11/2012	VILLAGE OF BELLEVILLE LIMIT AMENDMENT MISC FEE	50.00
19702	12/11/2012	WASTE MANAGEMENT OF WI-MN DECEMBER CHARGES	13,562.64
19703	12/11/2012	WILLIAM B. EICHELKRAUT REIMBURSE FOR CLEANING SUPPLIES	24.95
19704	12/11/2012	WISCONSIN PROFESSIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION, INC DECEMBER DUES # 243	79.50
19705	12/11/2012	WISCONSIN TAXPAYERS ALLIANCE 2013-14 WI LEGISLATIVE&CONG. DIRECTORIES	7.90
19706	12/11/2012	WJZ CLEANING, LLC INV # 6119 NOVEMBER CLEANINGS	290.00
19707	12/11/2012	WJZ CLEANING, LLC (2) INV # 6118 NOV. CLEANINGS	370.00
19708	12/21/2012	*** Test Check *** Test Check *** VOID *** VOID *** VOID *** VOID ***	0.00
19709	12/21/2012	ADRIAN BEYMER REFUND ON PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	39.75
19710	12/21/2012	APRIL LITTLE NOV 28TH NIMS TRAINING - MONROE	129.87
19711	12/21/2012	BILL PREBOSKI DEC SERVICES INV # 5	80.00
19712	12/21/2012	BRIAN GAUGER REFUND ON PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	37.54
19713	12/21/2012	BUCKY'S PORTABLE TOILETS, INC. INV # 37297 BIKE TRAIL THRU 1-10-13	170.00

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19716	12/21/2012	DARLENE HENDRICKSON CUPS	26.24
19717	12/21/2012	DAVID M LLOYD REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	81.12
19718	12/21/2012	DAWN SASS REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	37.32
19719	12/21/2012	FRED WOLFROM REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	111.08
19720	12/21/2012	FREDERICK F GRAVES II REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	34.99
19721	12/21/2012	GORDON FLESCH COMPANY, INC. INV # 10224009 BASE CHARGE/COPIES	136.94
19722	12/21/2012	GREEN COUNTY SOLID WASTE NOVEMBER	897.37
19723	12/21/2012	JANA PAULSON REFUND ON PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	39.52
19724	12/21/2012	KEITH LOVEJOY REFUND ON PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	37.77
19725	12/21/2012	LUCILLE O'CONNOR SEPT 19TH WEBINAR	20.00
19726	12/21/2012	LYLE ROBECK JR REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	359.53
19727	12/21/2012	MILPORT ENTERPRISES, INC. INV # 227453 ALUM SULFATE	3,816.65
19728	12/21/2012	NICHOLAS GRIGNANO REFUND ON TAX PROPERTY OVERPAYMENT	37.33
19729	12/21/2012	NICOLE NICHOLS REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	26.94
19730	12/21/2012	NORTH SHORE BANK,FSB DEC 26TH PAYROLL	250.00
19731	12/21/2012	NORTHERN LAKE SERVICE, INC. INV # 225533	250.20
19732	12/21/2012	PITNEY BOWES ACCT # 6341649	240.96

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19736	12/21/2012	SARAH EICHLER REFUND ON PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	39.23
19737	12/21/2012	SCOTT KNAPP REFUND ON PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	44.88
19738	12/21/2012	STAFFORD ROSENBAUM LLP ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT	7,742.00
19739	12/21/2012	SUGAR RIVER BANK BUTTS	200.00
19740	12/21/2012	SUZIN ROGERS REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	31.16
19741	12/21/2012	TED FAHEY BALE OF STRAW	35.00
19742	12/21/2012	TIMOTHY R. FLEENER II REFUND ON PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	41.24
19743	12/21/2012	TOTAL ENERGY SYSTEMS, LLC INV # 228672 GENERATOR	983.00
19744	12/21/2012	WALTER C. STEELE SEWER PLANT FURNANCE	105.50
19745	12/21/2012	WE ENERGIES ACCT # 4623-106-234	873.62
19746	12/28/2012	BELLEVILLE POST OFFICE DECEMBER USE	299.04
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19750	12/31/2012	ALLIANT ENERGY/WP&L (2) ACCT # 393374-010	385.13
19751	12/31/2012	ANDREA FAUST REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	33.16

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19752	12/31/2012	ANGELA MORRICK SEPT. 19TH WEBINAR	20.00
19753	12/31/2012	ASSOCIATED APPRAISAL CONSULTANTS, INC. DECEMBER SERVICES	2,143.65
19754	12/31/2012	AT&T ACCT # 030 491 1230 001	35.11
19755	12/31/2012	BAKER & TAYLOR INV # 2027636779	1,237.54
19756	12/31/2012	BELLEVILLE MUNICIPAL WATER DEPT ACCT # 049-0101-00	1,012.96
19757	12/31/2012	BRONNA LEHMANN MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT	37.07
19758	12/31/2012	BUSINESS CARD ACCT # 5472 0690 0015 2275 (UPS)	266.72
19759	12/31/2012	BUSINESS CARD (2) ACCT# 5472-0681-5737-1969	1,319.13
19760	12/31/2012	DANE COUNTY TREASURER DECEMBER COURT	60.00
19761	12/31/2012	DAVIDSON TITLES, INC. INV # 231417	54.89
19762	12/31/2012	DEBRA FREEMAN REIMBURSE FOR SUPPLIES	62.35
19763	12/31/2012	EMBURY, LTD INV # 125006 OAK TABLE	539.50
19764	12/31/2012	GREGORY SCHRADER REFUND ON PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	40.52
19765	12/31/2012	JEAN CHRISTENSEN MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT	59.94
19766	12/31/2012	JOSEPH KRIEBS REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	40.51
19767	12/31/2012	JOSHUA J SIMMONS REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	30.62
19768	12/31/2012	K.D. ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, INC. INV # 4679 NORTH ANNEXATION	2,841.26
19769	12/31/2012	KENNETH SLATER REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	37.80
19770	12/31/2012	LAMBEAU TELECOM ACCT # PW032859	29.10

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19771	12/31/2012	MARY AUSTIN SEPT. 19TH WEBINAR	30.00
19772	12/31/2012	MIDWEST TAPE INV # 90623020	5.00
19773	12/31/2012	MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, INC. R00372049.0 B'VILLE GEN ENGINEERING 2012	4,159.90
19774	12/31/2012	NORTHERN LAKE SERVICE, INC. INV # 226231	166.80
19775	12/31/2012	PATRICK MCSHERRY REFUND ON PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	44.55
19776	12/31/2012	QUILL CORPORATION ACCT # C264557	71.99
19777	12/31/2012	RICHARD KLINGER REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	35.23
19778	12/31/2012	SCHWAAB, INC. INV # C70101	73.99
19779	12/31/2012	STATE OF WISCONSIN DECEMBER COURT	196.40
19780	12/31/2012	STEWART RELYEA REFUND ON PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	37.63
19781	12/31/2012	TVRP UNPAID SUSPENSIONS (4)	20.00
19782	12/31/2012	WE ENERGIES (3) ACCT # 6227-305-139	138.42
19783	12/31/2012	*** Test Check *** Test Check *** VOID *** VOID *** VOID *** VOID ***	0.00
19784	12/31/2012	ASHLEY GILL REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	38.11
19785	12/31/2012	B J ELECTRIC SUPPLY, INC. INV # 920866	76.06
19786	12/31/2012	BAKER TILLY VIRCHOW KRAUSE LLP INV # BT630211 GF	3,934.00
19787	12/31/2012	BRANDON GROTELUESCHEN REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	41.80
19788	12/31/2012	CAPITAL CITY TREE EXPERTS, INC. INV # 2669	22,711.00
19789	12/31/2012	DAVID PAULI SHOE REIMBURSEMENT	200.00

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19790	12/31/2012	FRANCOIS SALES & SERVICE, INC. SQUAD MAINTENANCE	1,418.41
19791	12/31/2012	NCL OF WISCONSIN, INC INV # 314547 SEWER LAB	1,888.78
19792	12/31/2012	NICK MILLER REFUND PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT	36.35
19793	12/31/2012	QUILL CORP ACCT # C437160	15.98
19794	12/31/2012	SHORT ELECTRIC INC INV 18004	132.80
19795	12/31/2012	TAYLOR CHRISTEN REIMBURSE FOR EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT	248.44
19796	12/31/2012	WI STATE LABORATORY OF HYGIENE ACCT # 6004525	436.00
ACHDECENT	12/05/2012	DENTAL INSURANCE	1,521.91
	Manual Check	ACH DENTAL INS DEC PREMIUM	
ACHJANHEALTH	12/11/2012	HEALTH INSURANCE	16,683.20
	Manual Check	ACH HEALTH INS JAN PREMIUM	
Grand Total			399,696.83

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Total Expenditure from Fund # 100 - GENERAL FUND	110,497.51
Total Expenditure from Fund # 510 - TIF 3 / FAR WEST SIDE DEV	119.00
Total Expenditure from Fund # 520 - TIF 4 - INDUSTRIAL	666.50
Total Expenditure from Fund # 550 - WASTE MANAGEMENT	15,146.06
Total Expenditure from Fund # 600 - WATER & SEWER	137,697.30
Total Expenditure from Fund # 650 - STORM WATER UTILITY	107,645.00
Total Expenditure from Fund # 800 - LAKE RESTORATION	3,175.00
Total Expenditure from Fund # 900 - LIBRARY	23,909.58
Total Expenditure from Fund # 950 - CEMETERY FUND	840.88
Total Expenditure from all Funds	399,696.83

Uses: Non-representative District – Trustee Ziegler made a motion to approve Ordinance 12-11; seconded by Trustee Kattre. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM 11A

- 12. CLOSED SESSION: Trustee Ziegler made a motion to go into closed session; seconded by Trustee Kazmar. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote. Attorney Connie Anderson and Police Chief Bill Eichelkraut were also present.**

Closed session held a) Per Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(g) to Discuss Charges to be filed before Police Discipline Committee; b) Per Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(e) to discuss draft union contract changes proposal to WPPA; and c) To Discuss Police Department Staffing Per Wis. Stats. sec. 19.85(1)(c)

- 13. Resume Open Session - Discussion and Possible Action on Any Items Discussed in Closed Session – Trustee Ziegler made a motion to go into open session; seconded by Trustee Kattre. Motion carried.**

Trustee Ziegler made a motion to have the Village Attorney prepare a separation agreement, to be approved to form and content and signed by the Village President and Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer; seconded by Trustee Kazmar. Motion carried.

Trustee Ziegler made a motion to amend the offer to the union for wage increases to be 1½ percent in 2013; 1½ percent in 2014; and 2 percent in 2015; seconded by Trustee Kazmar. Motion carried.

Trustee Ziegler made a motion to amend the 2013 budget to offer all employees a 1½ percent wage increase for 2013, with funds to come from expected salary savings; seconded by Trustee Wilcox. Motion carried.

Trustee Kazmar made a motion to move forward with Traci Lien's hire at her counter proposal terms; start date to be as soon as possible; seconded by Trustee Ziegler. Motion carried.

Trustee Kazmar made a motion to have part-time police officers reapply for a position as of January, 2013; seconded by Trustee Rung. Motion carried.

14. Other Business:

- a. Correspondence – Natural Heritage Land Trust's purchase of the Cosgrove parcels are proceeding as DNR and Dane County grant funds are being awarded.
- b. Announcements – Village Board Trustee and Village President nomination papers are available now.
- c. Future meeting dates were noted.

- 15. Adjournment – Trustee Kattre made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Wilcox. Motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned by President Ward at 9:23 PM.

*By April Little, Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer
These minutes were approved by the Belleville Board of Trustees on December 17, 2012.*

April Little

From: Jim Welsh [jim@nhlt.org]
Sent: Wednesday, December 19, 2012 11:36 AM
To: April Little
Subject: hunting ordinance
Attachments: ordinance.pdf

April, the head of the Stewardship program grants program told me today that they can no longer approve our grant because of the village's ordinance 395-3 does not allow gun hunting.

Is it within the realm of possibility that the village would amend 395-3 to strike the word "archery"? See the attached.

Let's talk about this! Jim

--
Jim Welsh
Executive Director
Natural Heritage Land Trust
608/258-9797
nhlt.org

1/2/2013

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Chief Judge
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Telephone (608) 266-4200

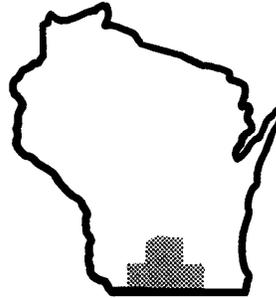
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STATE OF WISCONSIN

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

215 S. HAMILTON STREET
MADISON, WISCONSIN 53703-3295
FAX (608) 283-4940



May 23, 2011

April Little, Administrator / Clerk / City Treasurer
Village of Belleville
24 W Main Street
POB 79
Belleville, WI 53508

RE: Municipal Court Certification

Dear Ms. Little,

Enclosed please find an original certification of your municipal court, signed by Chief Judge Foust. Thank you for an enjoyable visit on April 25, 2011. If there is anything we can do to assist the court, please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gail Richardson".

Gail Richardson

C: Judge Jerry Ziegler

DANE ! GREEN ! ROCK ! LAFAYETTE

MUNICIPAL COURT REVIEW

For Provisions of 2009 Act 402, Effective January 1, 2011

For Belleville Municipal Court.

Date Conducted: January 25, 2011

Reviewed by: Judge Gerald Ziegler, Police Chief Roger Hillebrand, Court Clerk Chris Swaziek, Village Attorney Matt Dregne and Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer April Little

Complies	Does Not Comply	Guideline	Statute
X		1. Budget separate from other municipal departments Comments: Hours for a deputy court clerk should be added to court budget (currently under police budget).	755.01
	X	2. Court hours determined by judge and approved by governing body Comments: Judge will give recommendation.	755.06
	X	3. Appropriate judge office provided. Comments: Judge will give recommendation.	755.09(1)
	X	4. Judge appoints personnel in writing. Comments: Will be done going forward.	755.10(1)
	X	5. Judge establishes work hours and responsibilities; hires and terminates. Comments: Job descriptions will be revised for approval.	755.01(1)
X		6. Records in an action separate from all other records. Comments: Records are segregated in lockable filing cabinet. Court clerk and judge only to have keys (must verify).	755.11
X		7. Records in office of court clerk or appropriate facility. Comments: Court clerk is located in Police Department.	755.11
X		8. Access to records restricted to court personnel	755.11
X		9. Electronic record management system approved by judge. Comments: No issues from judge.	755.11
X		10. Judge wears a black robe.	755.17(1)
X		11. Clerk of court does not wear police garb.	755.17(1m)
X		12. Courtroom in an adequate facility	755.17(2)

MUNICIPAL COURT REVIEW

For Provisions of 2009 Act 402, Effective January 1, 2011

X		13. Courtroom separate from police department by design or signage. (Comments: Located in Village Hall)	755.17(2)
X		14. Proper courtroom atmosphere. Comments: Will review signage and use flags. Room has blinds for privacy. Court officer is located in rear of room.	755.17(2)
X		15. Court personnel located separate from police department by design or signage. Comments: Located on police department. Signage is used. Court clerk and police clerk jobs must be done separately. Judge may approve police receptionist duties for court clerk (attorney comment)	755.17(3)
X		16. Municipal court phone separate from any other department. Comments: Answers with "Belleville municipal court". Officers do not take messages; voice mail is used. Separate phone number.	755.17(4)
X		17. Clerk develops plan for continuing education.	755.18(1)
X		18. When receiving a case assigned to judge from another court, judge specifies location of hearing	800.05(3)
X		19. Prosecutor of transferring court retains the responsibility for prosecuting case before new judge.	800.05(3)
X		20. Monies received in payment and transferred to municipal treasurer within 30 days.	



Village of Belleville, WI

CLIENT LIAISON:

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Phone: (800) 446-0679
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klord@msa-ps.com

DATE:

December 19, 2012

SERVICE DATES:

November 18, 2012 – December 15, 2012

R00372049 – VILLAGE OF BELLEVILLE 2012 GENERAL ENGINEERING

PHASE 100 – GENERAL MUNICIPAL

Kevin Lord provided Terry Kringle with some generic information with relation to side lot parking with respect to motor homes and cars being repaired on a residential property. I responded with typical situations that could occur and potential remedies that could be accounted for in the ordinances to deal with the situations.

Kevin Lord prepared a first draft of a letter to the developers of Bell West reminding them of the need for the surface course of asphalt to be applied to the first phase of Bell West prior to September 15th of 2013 per the Village Construction Standards. Kevin is working with April to verify what retainage the Village has on the construction costs in order to make sure the paving is completed. The worry is that if the paving is not completed the binder course may start to give way and the Village should not be responsible for a new street.

At the request of April, Kevin verified a tax number within the proposed Bakers Woods Subdivision that appears to have been transposed between the special assessment report and the financial report. No changes to the report were needed and April was following up with the financials to make sure all properties were accounted for.

Kevin Lord attended the Public Works meeting on November 27, 2012 to discuss the current status of the Village with regards to projects. The main purpose of the meeting was an update on the Serv-Us Street construction which was concluded by the time of the meeting. The restoration was not to standards and will have to be revised in the future. A final pay request would be going to the Village although a percentage high enough to cover the restoration will be held.

Kevin Lord briefly reviewed the Animal Hospital conditional use permit request as provided by the Village. I provided a quick email response but minimal site work was being included with the proposed alteration of the building.

R00372051 – VILLAGE OF BELLEVILLE – SERV-US STREET STORM WATER IMPROVEMENTS

Construction of Serv-Us Street has been completed. The restoration work will be visited again in the spring although all areas were graded and seeded. Settling in the ground will result in additional restoration work. A final pay request has been provided to the Village as well as a Change Order for the additional materials as requested by the Village. A 5% retainage has been held on the project to verify restoration will be completed. Kevin Lord reviewed the site in the field and a punchlist has been completed and provided to the Contractor.

Your Trusted Partner
PROJECT UPDATE



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Before every new state budget, the governor is required by Nov. 20 to recap spending requests and projected revenues for the coming two years. The latest report shows moderate revenue and expenditure growth in 2013-15. Nevertheless, the state's surplus by mid-2015 would be modest, making major spending increases or tax decreases challenging—unless Wisconsin returns to past budget mischief.

Capitol notes

■ In addition to cochair John Nygren (Marinette), the GOP assembly contingent serving on the 2013-15 Joint Committee on Finance is now complete: John Klenke (Green Bay), Dale Kooyenga (Brookfield), Dean Knudson (Hudson), Dan LeMahieu (Cascade), and Pat Strachota (West Bend). At press time, Democratic appointments were pending.

■ In September, the state had 446,000 manufacturing jobs, less than the 500,000 peak before the recession but above the 2010 low of 424,000. (Source: Nov. 20 report)

■ Incoming assembly Speaker Robin Vos (R) has named two Democrats to cochair committees with GOP colleagues, Rep. Leon Young (Milwaukee) on State-Federal Relations and Rep. Jill Billings (La Crosse) on Constitution and Ethics. Republicans will, however, retain majorities on each committee.

■ Retirement contribution costs will rise for most public employers and employees in 2013. Contribution rates increase between 1.5 and 1.8 points in all employment categories, except the executive-elected-judges group, where the rate drops 0.1 point.

Still tight: First look at the next state budget

A time to weep, and a time to laugh... A time to get, and a time to lose. — Ecclesiastes, 3:4, 6

Cycles are everywhere — biology, economics, weather, even history. In the world of state finance, Wisconsin signaled the approach of a new, two-year budget cycle with release of its statutorily required “November 20 report.”

Prepared by state budget and tax officials, the report provides a first look at possible revenues and expenditures for the next biennium. It helps answer questions that are being asked by taxpayers, politicians, civic and business leaders, and the media. These include:

- Where is the state economy headed?
- What does that mean for tax collections?
- What is the state's current fiscal health? Are more deficits ahead?

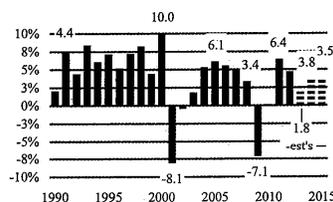
The big question for many is what surplus, if any, might be available for increased support of popular programs or for rollback of past tax increases?

State economy and tax revenue

Finances in Wisconsin are closely tied to the state and US economies. The Nov. 20 report notes that it has been “three and one-half years after the end of the Great Recession (December 2007 to

Slowing Growth in Wis. Tax Revenues

Annual Pct. Chg. in Gen'l Fund Tax Collections



June 2009) and national real (inflation-adjusted) gross domestic product (GDP) growth has still not reached the 2.7 percent annual real GDP growth we experienced in 2006.” Wisconsin is not out of the woods either, having “recovered approximately 40 percent of the jobs lost” during the downturn.

State economists expect the uneven recovery to continue, with real GDP growth of 1.9% this year, followed by increases of 2.8% and 3.3%, respectively, in the two subsequent years. The reliability of these estimates depends largely on Washington's capacity to address its deficit and debt issues.

Estimates of state general purpose revenue (GPR) reflect the slow recovery. After increases of 6.4% in fiscal 2011 and 4.7% in fiscal 2012, GPR tax collections are expected to rise 1.8% this year, 3.8% in 2014, and 3.5% in 2015. The graph below (left) shows that, compared to even the mid-2000s, 2013-15 revenue growth (which assumes return of the estate tax) will be less than robust. These figures are further detailed in the table below.

Projected Gen'l Fund Tax Collections

Amis. in \$ Billions (FY 2013-15) and Pct. Chg.

Tax	13e	14e	% Ch.	15e	% Ch.
Indiv. Inc.	7.23	7.46	3.2	7.80	4.6
Sales	4.40	4.53	2.9	4.66	2.7
Corp. Inc.	0.87	0.90	3.8	0.89	-1.2
Other Bus.	0.51	0.53	4.8	0.54	2.2
Excise	0.70	0.70	0.8	0.70	-0.1
Other	0.06	0.06	5.0	0.07	4.8
Total	13.76	14.19	3.1	14.66	3.3
Estate		0.09		0.13	
Adj. Tot.	13.76	14.28	3.8	14.78	3.5

Notes: Other business taxes are insurance and utility taxes; excise taxes include tobacco and alcohol. Other is primarily the real estate transfer fee. The final two rows depend on federal reinstatement of the estate tax.

Of the four major taxes, individual income tax growth (4.6%) is expected to be strongest. Corporate income taxes (-1.2%) and excise (-0.1%; chiefly cigarette) taxes will be relatively weak.

Spending requests

Whether state fiscal health is improving, and whether program beneficiaries will see increased state funding for education, health care, or property tax relief, depends not only on revenue growth but also on competing spending pressures, which, during past years of budget difficulty, began to mount.

In August, Governor Scott Walker (R) directed state agencies to prepare spending requests for the next two years that were at or below current levels. School aids and human service spending were excluded from the requirement. The table above (right) compares the resulting requests with current "base" spending.

Net general fund expenditures paid for with taxes are estimated at \$14.36 billion (b) this year. With pending requests, that would grow 4.2% to \$14.97b in 2013-14 and another 3.1%, to \$15.44b in 2014-15.

A second approach to spending focuses on revenues from all sources—taxes plus user fees and federal funds. At \$32.67b in 2012-13, gross all-funds

Estimated Gen'l Fund Condition (\$m) Initial and Ending Balances, Revenues, and Approp's

	Fiscal Year Ending . . .		
	2013	2014	2015
Begin. Surplus	\$342.1	\$348.1	\$256.7
Taxes	13,762.0	14,280.2	14,782.5
Other (1)	605.8	597.0	576.8
Tot. Avail.	14,709.9	15,225.3	15,616.0
Gross (2)	14,954.7	15,489.3	15,998.0
Lapses (3)	-592.9	-520.7	-558.7
Tot. Net	14,361.8	14,968.6	15,439.3
Gross	348.1	256.7	176.7
Net (4)	283.1	191.7	111.7

Notes: (1) Inc. tribal gaming and dept. rev's; (2) inc. agency requests, comp., debt service, transfers; (3) monies returned to gen. fund; (4) gross - statutory reserve set at \$65m.

requests would push state expenditures to \$33.58b (+2.8%) in 2013-14 and to \$34.04b (+1.4%) in 2014-15.

Surpluses?

After confronting projected deficits since 2008, the state expects to end 2012-13 with a net surplus of \$283.1 million (m). This is larger than in the past but still less than 2% of net spending, not a large cushion during recession. Combining preliminary revenues and spending for 2013-15 gives some idea of future general fund health, which is recapped in the table above.

For example, the general fund would end fiscal 2013 and begin fiscal 2014

with an opening surplus (or "balance") of \$348.1m. Total taxes are projected to be \$14.28b. Including other sources of revenue would make \$15.23b available. Net appropriations (after compensation increases, transfers, other adjustments, and lapses) would be \$14.97b, resulting in a gross ending balance of \$256.7m, \$191.7m net. Similar math produces a net balance of \$111.7m by mid-2015.

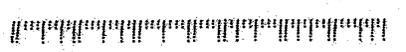
What does it mean?

There is nothing extraordinary about the Nov. 20 figures summarized here. Expected revenue growth is modest by historical standards. Spending requests generally keep pace. A net surplus of \$111.7m by mid-2015 represents only 0.7% of net spending and is reminiscent of earlier "deficit years."

For those wanting higher spending or lower taxes, this early look at 2013-15 is sobering. Because estimated surpluses are small, offsetting revenue growth, spending cuts, or both, would be necessary.

The only other option would be to enact future tax cuts or spending increases now but fund them later. Such phased change risks returning Wisconsin to the structural imbalances (or "deficits") that characterized every state budget from 1997 through 2009.

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Here come 2012-13 property tax bills (I)

As local budgeting for 2013 ends, the calendar turns to mailing property tax bills. How much they will rise or fall often depends on local conditions, but two clues are now available. State-wide, school taxes are rising 0.2% to \$4.66 billion, while technical college levies are up 2.0% to \$786.7 million.

Capitol notes

■ At 7.0% of 2012 GDP, the current US budget deficit equals that of Greece. (Source: Economist magazine)

■ Chairs of 15 senate standing committees have been named by Republican leader Scott Fitzgerald (Juneau): Ag., Sm. Business, and Tourism (Moulton); Econ. Dev. and Loc. Gov't (Gudex); Education (Olsen); Elections and Urb. Affairs (Lazich); Energy, Cons. Prot'n, and Gov't Reform (Cowles); Fin. Instit's and Rural Issues (Schultz); Gov't Op's, Pub. Works, and Telecomm. (Farrow); Health and Human Services (Vukmir); Insurance and Housing (Lasee); Judiciary and Labor (Grothman); Nat. Resources (Kedzie); State and Fed. Relations (Ellis); Trans., Pub. Safety, and Vet. and Milit. Affairs (Petrowski); Univ's and Tech. Coll's (Harsdorf); and Workforce Dev., Forestry, Mining, and Revenue (Tiffany).

■ According to the System, the UW had about 44,700 employees, of which 32,000 were unclassified and over 12,000 were classified and previously part of the state personnel system.

■ Wisconsin is one of five states awarded part of a \$133 million federal grant to improve and expand early learning programs.

When snow falls and holiday cash registers ring, December property tax bills cannot be far behind. Whether individual bills will rise or fall depends on local factors, such as budgets and property values. But information on school and technical college, as well as county, tax levies is becoming available.

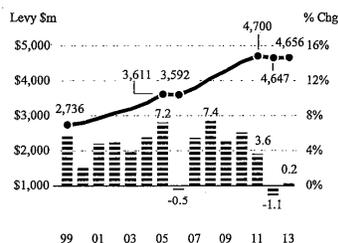
Together, these three comprise about 70% of the typical tax bill and give some idea of what individual bills arriving in December mail will be. The levy figures also allow WISTAX to provide an early estimate of how much total property taxes statewide will rise or fall (see next Focus, #25).

Schools, first

■ **Historical context.** Preliminary data show 2012-13 school taxes totaling almost \$4.66 billion (b). This is 0.2% higher than last year (\$4.65b) but still lower than in 2010-11 (\$4.69b). Last year at this time, school levies fell 1.1%. Lower state-imposed revenue limits than in years past explain the small annual changes during 2011-13.

As the graph below also shows, annual levy changes have generally been

Recent School Tax History
1999-2013; \$m (line), % Chg. (bars)

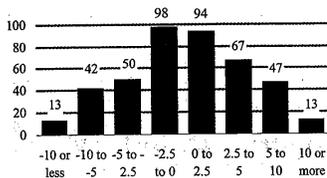


School Districts with Largest Tax Levies

Property Taxes (\$m) and % Chg. to 2012-13

District	2011-12	2012-13	% Ch.
Milwaukee	\$309.00	\$311.31	0.7
Madison	245.00	249.29	1.7
Kenosha	93.68	92.43	-1.3
Racine	81.57	84.38	3.4
Waukesha	83.94	82.21	-2.1
Green Bay	80.57	80.57	0.0
Elmbrook	72.28	72.20	-0.1
Appleton	64.51	63.28	-1.9
Middleton	56.85	59.08	3.9
Eau Claire	57.06	56.36	-1.2
Oconomowoc	48.40	50.31	3.9
New Berlin	45.28	46.36	2.4
Sun Prairie	47.10	46.19	-1.9
La Crosse	45.40	45.52	0.3
Wauwatosa	42.70	45.31	6.1
West Allis	46.36	44.75	-3.5
Oshkosh	40.49	41.71	3.0
Wausau	42.10	40.47	-3.9
Sheboygan	40.74	39.46	-3.1
Menom. Falls	38.44	38.34	-0.3
Mequon	37.80	37.56	-0.6
West Bend	37.46	37.24	-0.6
Janesville	36.77	36.08	-1.9
Verona	33.79	34.57	2.3
Kettle Mor.	32.14	33.59	4.5
Fond'Lac	32.11	32.75	2.0
Muskego	33.13	32.74	-1.2
Oak Creek	32.11	32.35	0.7
Stevens Pt.	31.12	32.02	2.9
Franklin	31.44	31.79	1.1
Neenah	31.72	31.58	-0.5
Hamilton	30.12	30.03	-0.3
Germantown	30.39	29.48	-3.0
Hudson	28.37	29.19	2.9
Mukwa'go	29.01	28.51	-1.7
Pewaukee	25.73	26.07	1.3
Greenfield	24.96	24.96	0.0
Waunakee	23.85	23.66	-0.8
Monona Grv.	23.19	23.49	1.3
DC Everest	23.43	23.43	0.0
Oregon	22.78	22.78	0.0
Chip'wa Falls	21.20	22.12	4.3
Rhineland	22.10	22.01	-0.4
Stoughton	20.01	21.73	8.6
Wis. Rapids	20.13	21.20	5.3
Whitefish Bay	21.10	21.06	-0.2
Howard-S'co	21.72	20.94	-3.6
Burlington	20.36	20.36	0.0
Deforest	21.70	20.26	-6.6
Cedarburg	20.25	19.96	-1.4

Changes in 2012-13 School Taxes
No. of School Dist's by % Chg. in School Levy



shrinking for the last six years. In the past 15, the largest increases came in 2005 and 2008. In addition to last year, the only other drop was in 2006, an election year.

■ **Limited variation.** Whether districts served all grades (K-12) or just K-8 or high school mattered little. In the 368 (86.8% of total) K-12 districts, the tax levy rose 0.2% to \$4.35b. In the 46 smaller K-8 districts, taxes were up 0.5% to \$186.0 million (m), and in the 10 overlying union high (UHS) districts, they were off 0.3% to \$118.1m.

As the graph above illustrates, tax changes in most school districts were close to zero: 192 (45.3%) districts were within 2.5 points of zero change. Almost three-quarters (309) were at 0 +/- 5%.

■ **Large districts.** It is telling that, of the 50 districts with the largest property tax levies this year (see table, p.1), only four—Stoughton (8.6%), Wauwatosa

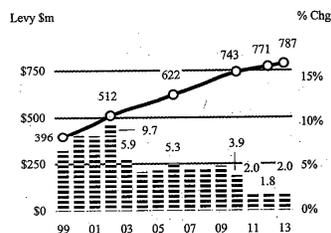
(6.1%), Wisconsin Rapids (5.3), and Deforest (-6.6%)—raised or lowered taxes by more than 5%. Changes were smaller in the five districts with the largest tax levies: Milwaukee (\$311.3m, 0.7%), Madison (\$249.3m, 1.7%), Kenosha (\$92.4m, -1.3%), Racine (\$84.4m, 3.4%), and Waukesha (\$82.2m, -2.1%).

Technical colleges

Other than public schools, the state's 16 technical college districts are the only educational institutions that rely on the property tax. For most of the past 15 years, "tech college" levy growth was not directly restricted, as it was for K-12 school districts. Annual property tax increases that approached 10% in the early part of the decade have markedly slowed in recent years.

The 2012-13 levy rose 2.0% to \$786.7m. Tax increases were highest in

Tech. College Taxes Accelerate, Decelerate 1999-2013; \$m (line), % Chg. (bars)



Technical College Dist. Taxes, 2012-13
Levy Amts. (\$m) and % Chg.

District	2011-12	2012-13	% Chg.
Blackhawk	\$20.04	\$20.42	1.9
Chippewa Vall.	35.40	35.40	0.0
Fox Valley	59.72	64.12	7.4
Gateway	58.90	59.44	0.9
Indianhead	37.20	37.34	0.4
Lakeshore	21.96	22.02	0.3
Madison Area	118.39	123.08	4.0
Mid-State	20.56	20.59	0.2
Milwaukee Area	140.16	145.13	3.6
Moraine Park	35.95	36.15	0.6
Nicolet	20.47	20.88	2.0
No. Central	30.81	30.10	-2.3
NE Wis.	58.90	58.90	0.0
SW Wis.	15.73	15.60	-0.8
W Wis.	34.69	35.09	1.1
Waukesha Co.	62.43	62.43	0.0
Total	771.29	786.69	2.0

the Fox Valley (7.4%), Madison (4.0%), and Milwaukee (3.6%) districts. In the other 13 districts, changes were 2.0% or less. Two districts—North Central in Wausau and Southwest in Fennimore—cut levies by 2.3% and 0.8%, respectively.

Looking ahead

With school (0.2%) and technical college (2.0%) taxes growing at modest amounts, statewide property tax increases should also fall in this range. The overall change depends on county levies, which are available, and municipal levies, which can only be estimated at this time. Both are examined in *Focus* #25.

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Here come 2012-13 property tax bills (II)

With local property tax bills arriving for 2012-13, it is now possible to project that gross levies statewide will rise about 0.6% to \$10.45 billion; net, after state tax credits, the increase is estimated at 0.7%. Last year, that increase was 0.2%. Preliminary county figures show a 0.7% increase, with almost all counties (62) raising or lowering levies by less than 2%.

Capitol notes

■ Republican assembly leaders have backed away from considering an increase in the \$88 per day payment (per diem) legislators receive to cover food and lodging expenses when in Madison.

■ A complete list of 2013-14 chairs for the assembly's 34 standing committees is out. Some of the more notable appointments include: Agriculture (Nerison), Colleges and Universities (Nass), Criminal Justice (Kleefisch), Corrections (Bies), Education (Kestell), Energy and Utilities (Honadel), Financial Institutions (Craig), Health (Severson), Insurance (Petersen), Judiciary (J. Ott), Labor (Knodl), Small Business Development (Stone), State-Local Finance (Stroebel), Tourism (Kaufert), Transportation (Ripp), Veterans (Petryk), and Ways and Means (Marklein).

■ Rep. Paul Farrow (R-Pewaukee) will be the new state senator for the 33rd district in Waukesha County. He was elected in a recent special election.

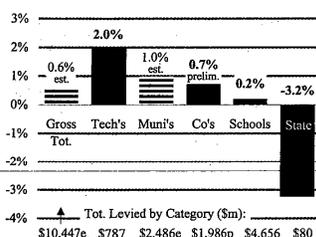
■ Lobby changes: A major business organization, WMC, has promoted Scott Manley to head the group's government relations team. Meanwhile, the Wisconsin Hospital Association has a new VP, Government Relations: Kyle O'Brien.

With statewide property tax levies in some form now available for all major units of government, except municipalities, it is possible to estimate how much the average Wisconsin property tax bill will increase for 2012-13.

Statewide estimate

The graph below summarizes the levy increases or decreases for 2012-13 by type of government. The technical college (2.0%), school (0.2%), and small

Property Tax Amts. (\$m) and % Chgs.
2012-13 Actual or Estimated (Tot. and Muni.)



state (-3.2%) portions of the total levy are known (see Focus #24). Preliminary county levies (up 0.7%) are also available.

Only property tax information for municipalities and related special districts are incomplete. Based on history and other known levies for this year, a 1% increase in the municipal levy is anticipated.

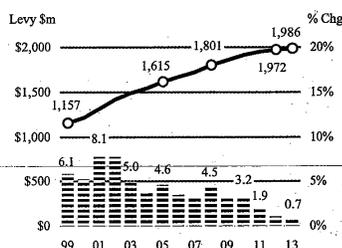
If so, gross property taxes statewide would rise 0.6%, to about \$10.45 billion (b). After subtracting state tax credits applied to all bills, the resulting net levy would increase about 0.7% and total \$9.55b. The net change for 2012-13 is slightly higher than last year (0.2%) but below the increases of 2010-11 (2.8%) and 2009-10 (4.2%).

County property taxes

Property tax detail for many individual K-12 and all technical college districts is found in the prior issue of Focus (#24). Preliminary county property tax levies summarized here total \$1.99b for 2012-13 and are 0.7% higher than in 2011-12.

As the bar chart below shows, annual increases in county levies have

Tot. Prelim. 2012-13 Co. Levies Up 0.7%
Tot. Statewide Amt (\$m, line); % Chg. (bars)



been trending down since 2001, when they jumped 8.1%. Annual changes have been under 5% since 2004-05 and under 2% since 2009-10.

The principal reason for this is the levy limits the state imposes on counties and municipalities. For last year and this, state law allowed no property tax increase, other than that recognizing new construction. Hence, estimated levy increases are 0.7% and 1.0%, respectively.

At the county level this year (see table, p.2), neither tax increases nor decreases were particularly large, due to the state limits. Of 72 counties, 62

Preliminary County Property Tax Levies for 2011-12 and 2012-13 and Percent Change
Tax Amounts in Millions of Dollars

County	2011-12	2012-13	% Ch.
Adams	\$17.16	\$17.16	-0.0
Ashland	6.52	6.55	0.4
Barron	17.57	17.75	1.0
Bayfield	8.76	8.87	1.3
Brown	80.87	80.86	-0.0
Burnett	8.56	8.65	1.0
Calumet	16.70	16.88	1.1
Chippewa	15.65	16.41	4.9
Clark	12.89	13.03	1.2
Columbia	24.45	24.56	0.4
Dane	139.06	143.14	2.9
Dodge	32.08	31.98	-0.3
Door	24.79	25.01	0.9
Douglas	15.03	15.27	1.6
Dunn	19.93	20.30	1.9
Florence	3.78	3.82	1.1
Fond du Lac	38.88	39.41	1.4
Forest	5.07	5.19	2.4
Grant	10.84	10.92	0.7
Green	14.63	14.73	0.7

County	2011-12	2012-13	% Ch.
Iowa	10.30	10.38	0.8
Iron	4.19	4.20	0.4
Jackson	9.57	9.62	0.4
Jefferson	26.71	26.91	0.7
Juneau	11.72	11.77	0.5
Kewaunee	10.57	11.01	4.1
La Crosse	29.49	29.84	1.2
Lafayette	7.22	6.72	-6.9
Langlade	9.10	9.03	-0.8
Lincoln	13.41	13.46	0.4
Marathon	47.57	46.09	-3.1
Marinette	14.76	14.91	1.0
Marquette	10.56	10.93	3.6
Menomonee	2.60	2.61	0.5
Milwaukee	276.23	280.16	1.4
Oconto	17.79	17.99	1.1
Oneida	15.00	14.95	-0.3
Outagamie	62.38	62.50	0.2
Ozaukee	19.15	19.35	1.0
Pepin	3.72	3.76	1.0

County	2011-12	2012-13	% Ch.
Polk	21.55	21.66	0.5
Portage	24.74	24.90	0.7
Price	7.84	7.85	0.1
Racine	50.90	51.01	0.2
Richland	6.64	6.66	0.2
Rusk	5.80	5.87	1.2
St Croix	27.85	27.73	-0.4
Sauk	28.53	28.53	0.0
Sawyer	9.84	9.94	1.0
Shawano	14.86	14.91	0.4
Taylor	10.04	10.28	2.5
Trempleau	10.05	10.00	-0.4
Vernon	9.57	9.61	0.4
Vilas	13.15	13.07	-0.6
Walworth	60.88	60.88	-0.0
Washington	38.39	37.38	-2.6
Waukesha	100.91	101.71	0.8
Waupaca	23.15	23.40	1.1
Waushara	15.36	15.31	-0.3
Winnebago	67.71	67.26	-0.7

raised or lowered their levies by less than 2%. In 42 counties, the change was less than 1%.

Only four counties hiked property taxes by more than 3%: Chippewa (4.9%), Kewaunee (4.1%), Eau Claire (3.7%), and Marquette (3.6%). Last year, five counties increased them by more than 4%: Calumet (4.3%), Crawford (6.3%), Columbia (5.4%), Dane (4.5%), and Kewaunee (4.6%).

At the other end of the spectrum, 15 counties cut property taxes, but reductions were small. Only three counties approved cuts of more than 2%: Lafayette County (-6.9%), Marathon (-3.1%), and Washington (-2.6%). In 2011-12, 16 counties reduced property taxes, but the largest drop was only 1.7% in Brown County.

More than half of all county property taxes are levied by only 11 coun-

ties. Milwaukee had the largest levy (\$280.2 million, or m) and the 11th-highest (1.4%) increase. Dane had the second-largest levy (\$143.1m) and the fifth-highest (2.9%) increase. Other counties in this group included Waukesha (\$101.7m, 0.8%), Brown (\$80.9m, -0.0%), Winnebago (\$67.3m, -0.7%), Outagamie (\$62.5m, 0.2%), and Rock (\$61.1m, 1.6%). Of the 11, Brown and Winnebago were the only two that approved property tax reductions.

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