## TOWN OF LA POINTE SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEEITNG Thursday, November 19, 2020 4:00 pm at Town Hall Approved Minutes

Town Board Members Present via teleconference: Jim Patterson, Michael Anderson, Sue Brenna, Glenn Carlson, John Carlson Staff Present: Lisa Potswald, Barb Nelson (via telephone), Ben Schram (via telephone), Elected Clerk Micaela Montagne

I. Call to Order: 4:00pm

II. Public Comment: None.

III. 2021 Budget Considerations: Discussion included police department staffing after reducing the police budget. If changes need to be made next year, that will be okay as there are so many unknowns currently with Covid.

Discussion on lowering the amount exceeding the 2019 levy from 5% that was proposed in the documents to 2.5% and using more available cash on hand to cover the difference. Discussion on how the meetings on December 7<sup>th</sup> will be conducted to accommodate social distancing: 10 people will be able to be in the meeting room, another 10 in the office area of Town Hall with a liaison to help facilitate, and if there are additional people who want to be present, there will be overflow at the Library. A phone number for call in will also be available. It may take more time to get through everything with people spread out and on the phone, but we can do it to keep everyone safe and still approve the levy.

IV. Resolution #2020-1119: Proposing to Exceed Tax Levy Limit- 2020 Tax Levy, Payable 2021: Barb Nelson reran the figures to accommodate a 2.5% increase over last year's levy. It will be 2.949% over the allowable levy for this year which is a dollar amount increase of \$52,963 and a total levy amount of 1,848,651. Motion to approve Resolution #2020-1119 proposing to exceed the tax levy limit (2020 Tax Levy, Payable 2021) by 2.95%, G. Carlson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

V. Public Comment: None.

VI. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 4:45pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk. Approved as submitted November 24, 2020. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.