

**TOWN OF EASTON, MARATHON COUNTY, WI**  
**2026 BUDGET SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, November 24, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.**

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**Public Hearing**

**1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Beck**

Chairman Beck called the 2026 budget special meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

Dean Beck Yes

Susan Kurth Yes

Mark Pingel Yes

**Also present** were Treasurer Melanie Neuendank, and Clerk Sherry Weinkauff. There were also 12 electors present at the meeting.

**3. Confirmation of Meeting Notices (posted on November 7, 2025)**

Beck confirmed the notice was posted on the meeting boards withing the Town of Easton. The notice was also mailed to the electors.

**4. Open Public Hearing for 2026 Budget**

Beck opened the public hearing at 7:03 p.m. and read the budget notice.

**5. Presentation of the 2026 Budget for the Town of Easton**

Beck reviewed the proposed budget numbers for 2026. He said he has been looking into possible grants for the town. He explained the assessed value and the revaluation of the town. He reviewed the mill rates/levy amounts for each taxing jurisdiction.

**6. Close Public Hearing for the 2026 Budget**

Beck closed the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.

**7. Adjourn**

***Motion by Supervisor Kurth, seconded by Supervisor Pingel to adjourn the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.***

***All in favor. Motion carried.***

**Special Town Meeting of Electors**

**1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Beck**

Beck called the special town meeting of electors to order at 7:16 p.m.

**2. Public Discussion on Budget**

Beck explained the \$150,00 proposed loan proceeds. It was indicated the Fire Department's 2026 budget decreased due to purchasing air packs in 2025. Treasurer Neuendank explained the proposed increase for public works. She said there are plans to do 2 miles of blacktop within the Town. Beck explained the pacer ratings for the town. The ratings help with determining the surface condition of the asphalt pavement. There was a short discussion on selling and purchasing equipment. There was also a short discussion regarding gravel roads versus blacktop roads.

**3. Adopt Resolution #2025-01 – Adoption of the Town tax levy for the Town of Easton, Marathon County**

Beck read the resolution. ***Motion by Dan Southworth, seconded by Dave Arends to adopt Resolution #2025-01 – Adoption of the Town tax levy in the amount of \$548,152 for the Town of Easton, Marathon County. There was no opposition. All in favor. Motion carried.***

**4. Adjourn**

***Motion by Supervisor Kurth, seconded by Supervisor Pingel to adjourn the special town meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.***

TOWN OF EASTON  
MARATHON COUNTY, STATE OF WISCONSIN  
NOVEMBER 24, 2025  
BUDGET SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

The following is a true and correct poll list as kept at a town meeting held in the Town of Easton, County of Marathon, Wisconsin on the 24th day of November 2025, containing the names of all the persons voting at this meeting. The following names are hereby made part of the poll list.

Number of persons on this poll list 12 electors, 3 town board members, clerk & Treasurer

Sherry Weinkauf  
Sherry Weinkauf, Town Clerk

**ONLY ELIGIBLE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF EASTON MAY VOTE AT THIS MEETING**

**BY SIGNING THIS POLL LIST, YOU CERTIFY YOURSELF TO BE AN ELIGIBLE ELECTOR OF THE TOWN OF EASTON**

**PLEASE SIGN YOUR FULL NAME**

| PRINT NAME          | SIGNATURE                | ADDRESS                           | ZIP CODE |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| - Sherry Weinkauf   | <u>Sherry Weinkauf</u>   | 233204 East Claire Riv. Rd Ringle | 54471    |
| Robert W Weinkauf   | <u>Robert W Weinkauf</u> | 233204 East Claire Riv. Rd Ringle | 54471    |
| Ron Kurth           | <u>Ron Kurth</u>         | 167623 St Hwy 52 Wausau WI 54403  | 54403    |
| - Susan Kurth       | <u>Susan Kurth</u>       | 167623 St Hwy 52 Wausau WI 54403  | 54403    |
| - DEAN BECK         | <u>Dean Beck</u>         | 171902 Glenview Rd Aniwa WI 54408 | 54408    |
| Dan Southworth      | <u>Dan Southworth</u>    | 1752 P3 State Hwy 52 Aniwa WI     | 54408    |
| Elin Merriam        | <u>Elin Merriam</u>      | 229500 Sugar Maple Rd             | 54471    |
| DUSTIN Merriam      | <u>Dustin Merriam</u>    | 229500 Sugar Maple Rd             | 54471    |
| Barb Schneider      | <u>Barbara Schneider</u> | 230107 County Rd J                | 54403    |
| Anne Heggelund      | <u>Anne Heggelund</u>    | 172021 County Rd Z                | 54471    |
| Eric Heggelund      | <u>Eric Heggelund</u>    | 172027 County Rd Z                | 54471    |
| Dave Arends         | <u>Dave Arends</u>       | 165402 Co Rd 2                    | 54403    |
| Nick Kluck          | <u>Nick Kluck</u>        | 165448 Meadow Rd                  | 54403    |
| Markus Kluck        | <u>Markus Kluck</u>      | 165448 Meadow Rd                  | 54403    |
| Nick Janak          | <u>Nick Janak</u>        | 165826 City Rd N                  | 54403    |
| - Melanie Neuendorf | <u>Melanie Neuendorf</u> | 233991 Pleasant View Rd           | 54471    |
| - Mark Pingel       |                          |                                   |          |

# **NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN ELECTORS**

## **Town of Easton, Marathon County**

Notice is hereby given, that a special town meeting of the electors of the Town of Easton, Marathon County, Wisconsin will be held at the Town Hall located at 169612 County Road Z, Ringle, Wisconsin, on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025, immediately following the completion of the Public Hearing on the proposed 2026 town budget, which begins at 7:00 p.m., for the following purposes:

- To approve the 2025 total town tax levy (to be collected in 2026), pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 60.10(1)(a).

Dated this 7th day of November 2025.

By: Sherry Weinkauff, Town Clerk of the Town of Easton

# HEARING NOTICE

A BUDGET HEARING WIL BE HELD ON THE 24TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025 AT 7:00 PM AT THE TOWNHALL, FOR  
ALL INTERESTED TAXPAYERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF EASTON, MARATHON COUNTY, WISCONSIN.  
THE TOWN BOARD PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026

## SUMMARY OF TOWN OF EASTON BUDGET FOR 2026

| REVENUES                          |                 |             |           |         |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------|---------|
|                                   | 2025            | 2025        | 2026      | PERCENT |
|                                   | YTD ACT (10/31) | FY ESTIMATE | PROPOSED  | CHANGE  |
| TOWNS PORTION OF PROPERTY TAX     | 502,474         | 502,474     | 548,152   | 9.1%    |
| TAXES, GRANTS & AIDS              | 226,451         | 314,438     | 305,244   | -2.9%   |
| LICENSES & SERVICES               | 123,833         | 123,833     | 120,820   | -2.4%   |
| OTHER REVENUES                    | 3,081           | 3,081       | 2,540     | -17.6%  |
| TOTAL REVENUES                    | 855,840         | 943,826     | 976,756   | 3.5%    |
| LOAD PROCEEDS                     | -               | -           | 150,000   |         |
| GRANT, RESERVES AND CASH FORWARD  | 514,928         | 514,928     | 536,110   | 4.1%    |
| TOTALS                            | 1,370,768       | 1,458,754   | 1,662,866 | 14.0%   |
| EXPENDITURES                      |                 |             |           |         |
| GENERAL GOVERNMENT                | 200,438         | 255,438     | 238,800   | -6.5%   |
| PUBLIC SAFETY                     | 134,886         | 157,886     | 60,000    | -62.0%  |
| PUBLIC WORKS                      | 292,316         | 359,316     | 946,250   | 163.3%  |
| DEBT SERVICE                      | -               | 150,000     | 143,165   | -4.6%   |
| PAYROLL TAX PAYABLE               | -               | -           | -         |         |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES                | 627,640         | 922,640     | 1,388,215 | 50.5%   |
| GRANTS, RESERVES AND CASH ON HAND | 743,124         | 536,110     | 274,651   | -48.8%  |
| TOTALS                            | 1,370,763       | 1,458,749   | 1,662,866 | 14.0%   |

## TOWN INDEBTEDNESS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024

| <u>LOANS</u> | <u>PAYMENT PER YEAR</u> | <u>PRINCIPAL TOTAL</u> |
|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| EQUIPMENT    | 95,000                  | 254,559                |
| ROADS        | 55,000                  | 90,732                 |
|              |                         | TOTAL                  |
|              |                         | 345,291                |

As required by Wis. Stat. § 65.90

TOWN OF EASTON, MARATHON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

SHERRY WEINKAUF, TOWN CLERK