

Resolution 2018-3
Town Board of the Town of Ellsworth
to Propose Exceeding Levy Limits
(Only for Towns Under 3,000 in population)

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has adopted levy limits on town, village, city and county levies for 2018 and thereafter under s. 66.0602 of Wis. Statutes;

Whereas, s. 66.0602 of Wis. Statutes limits the allowable local levy for 2018 to a percentage increase of no more than the greater of (a) 0% of the 2017 payable 2018 adjusted actual levy as calculated under the state's levy limit law* or (b) a percentage equal to the percent change in equalized value due to net new construction; which for the Town of Ellsworth is 1.025 percent;

Whereas, the Town Board of the Town of Ellsworth, Pierce County, believes that for the 2018 tax levy (collected in 2019) it is in the town's best interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above by a greater percentage than 1.025.

Whereas, the Town of Ellsworth 2017 payable 2018 adjusted actual levy is \$347,442 (line 4 of the Municipal Levy Limit Worksheet from WI DOR); And further whereas the state law would limit the increase to \$ 3,561 for an allowable town tax levy of \$349,814 (line 8 of the Municipal Levy Limit worksheet**) before adjustments, for 2018, collected in 2019.

Now Therefore the Town Board of the Town of Ellsworth, Pierce County does hereby resolve and order as follows:

1. The town board supports an increase in the town tax levy for 2018 that will exceed the state levy limit.
2. The town board directs that the question of increasing the allowable town tax levy for 2018 (to be collected in 2019) by 10.0053 percent, which would increase the town levy by \$35,000 for a total town tax levy of \$384,814***, shall be placed on the agenda for the special town meeting to be held on November 5, 2018.

Adopted this 1st day of October, 2018.

Signature of Town Chair: _____

Roger Billeter

Attested by Town Clerk: _____

Phyllis J. Beastron

*Note that the starting point for this year's levy may not always be last year's actual levy. In some cases the starting levy for this year may be "adjusted" if there is a reduction due to a debt payment coming off the levy or a reduction for services transferred to other governmental units, etc. Please contact the Wisconsin Department of Revenue at (608) 266-8618 if you have questions about your allowable levy for this year.

**The town's allowable levy limit is further reduced by a Personal Property Aid payment due of \$1,189 due to a 2018 personal property tax law change.

***If your total town tax levy will include other adjustments (From Section D of the Levy Limit Worksheet) provide additional explanation of those adjustments here.

****Note this resolution must be posted within 30 days of adoption by the town board, pursuant to s. 60.80 of Wis. Statutes. It also needs to be adopted by the town board at least 15 days prior to the special town elector meeting at which it will be voted on. This is because the special town elector meeting must be noticed at least 15 and not more than 20 days in advance pursuant to s. 60.12(3), Wis. Stat.