



**VILLAGE OF HEWITT  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
January 24, 2011 – 7:00 PM  
HEWITT VILLAGE HALL  
Minutes**

1. The Special meeting of the Village of Hewitt Board was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Ken Eilers.
2. Present: Kris Hawley, Ken Eilers, Scott Wunrow, Jeff Graves, Marlene Stueland
3. Absent: Dan Sova
4. Communication from the Public: None
5. OLD BUSINESS: None
6. NEW BUSINESS:
  - ◆ January 17, 2011 Hewitt Area Fire Commission meeting updates: Ken provided an update on action and discussion issues. Of concern, was the rescinding of the December 6, 2010 motion to “approve and appoint” the slate of Fire Department officers elected for a two-year term beginning January 2011. The primary issue promoting the motion is whether the Fire Commission is organized properly per WI State Statutes as challenged by Mr. Al Breu, Town of Marshfield Chairman. Mr. Breu is of the belief that the Commission is not properly organized based on information he had obtained. In order to clarify the difference of interpretation and understanding of the WI State Statutes addressing the organization of the Commission, the Village of Hewitt Board obtained a written legal opinion from law firm Wolfgram, Gamoke & Hutchinson S.C. (see attached correspondence) which concluded that “the procedure for electing the officers of the Hewitt Area Fire Department is appropriate and approval of those officers by the Hewitt Area Fire Commission is likewise appropriate, neither action being in violation of Wisconsin Statutes. Board members concurrently reviewed the existing Hewitt Area Fire Commission Constitution and By-Laws with consensus that they accurately reflect the proper organization of the Commission. Therefore, a motion by Jeff, second by Kris, was made to ascertain the board’s position as rendered as follows: “The Village of Hewitt Board agrees that the existing Hewitt Area Fire Commission Constitution and By-Laws accurately reflect the proper organization of the Fire commission as confirmed by the legal opinion rendered by Attorney John Hutchinson representing the law firm of Wolfgram, Gamoke & Hutchinson S.C. Roll call Vote: Kris YES; Scott YES; Jeff YES; motion carried.
  - ◆ A motion by Scott, second by Jeff to authorize Ken to seek legal consultation from Attorney John Hutchinson on behalf of the Village of Hewitt on disposition of January 17, 2011 Fire Commission minutes and other issues surrounding the Fire Commission that may impact the Village; motion carried.
  - ◆ A motion by Scott, second by Kris to adjourn at 8:55 PM carried.

Recorder: *Marlene Stueland, Village Clerk*