Town of Forest
Minutes of August 10, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Forest Town Board was held on Monday, August 10, 2026. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Kraus at 7:04p.m. Members Present were Supervisor Tom Loehr, Treasurer Andrew Rentmeester and Clerk Sarah Loehr. Supervisor Pete Brenner was excused.

Chairman Gary Kraus led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tom Loehr moved to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2026 meeting. Gary Kraus seconded the motion, motion carried.

In discussion regarding online tax payment, Andrew presented information from TTech and Ascent (which we currently work with to prepare taxes). If we choose to provide the option of online ta payments, it would be a fee of $350 per year through TTech, we would sign a three year agreement with MSB, who would join with TTech and Ascent to create a link for payment. User pays either a CC fee of 2.5% or e-check fee of $1.50. Gary Kraus moved to accept TTech and MSB for online payment of property taxes. Tom Loehr seconded the motion, motion carried.

The board signed a form from FDL County requesting certification that the Thackray Pit zoning was in compliance with current zoning updates to the reclamation plan to the pit. The owners plan is that the reclamation will be complete next year and the DOT will be auctioning or selling three residential parcels that are located along Hwy 23 that are no longer needed for right-of-way now that the highway is completed.

In discussion regarding lowering the speed limit on Pit Road, the board will look into possibilities of making changes.

In discussion from the floor: Walnut Road bridge updates, nothing happening at this time. Mt. Calvary Ambulance Service sent out an updated ambulance contract for response from the communities it serves, but the official contract has not yet been finalized.

Gary Kraus moved to pay the bills. Tom Loehr seconded the motion. Motion carried. Bills paid as follows on August 10, 2026:

DISBURSEMENTS

Alliant Energy	**town hall electric**	**$112.06**	**10664**
USA Today Media Corp	**legal notices**	**$103.12**	**10665**
Harter's Lakeside Disposal	**curbside pickup**	**$10,161.01**	**10666**
Bowmar Appraisal	**3rd Quarter Assessment**	**$2,200.00**	**10667**
Randy Roehl	**wages & gas**	**$142.15**	**10668**
Randy Loehr	**wages & mileage**	**$1,222.89**	**10669**
Sarah Loehr	**elections meals**	**$120.19**	**10670**

US Treasury	**employment taxes**	**$219.18**	**ACH**
TOTAL	**$14,280.60**		

RECEIPTS

Jerry Lulloff	**Prorated 2026 Garbage pickup**	**$129.68**	**2852**
Jillian Schwake	**Benjamin Ayulo building permit**	**$100.00**	**1016**
SWIF Datacom	**Tower Lease**	**$503.87**	**2255**
David & Jeanne Konen	**Building permit**	**$100.00**	**1477**
Christopher & Carla Krause	**New Home building permit**	**$1,380.00**	**3182**
Roy & Annette Galligan	**fire number**	**$75.00**	**4764**
FDL County	**Aug Settlement**	**$51,602.99**	**614158**
BankFirst	**Money Market interest**	**$618.44**	**ACH**
TOTAL	**$54,509.98**		

Cash on Balance	**$**	**516,361.19**
General Fund	**$**	**369,947.65**
Capital Projects Fund	**$**	**146,413.54**
Bank Accounts – Other	**$**	**-1770.34**
TOTAL	**$**	**514,590.85**

Previous Month Balance in Capital Projects	**$**	**145,795.10**
StratCap – Lease (deposited into general fund)		
Bank First – Interest	**+**	**618.44**
Total for August 31, 2026	**$**	**146,413.54**
Included in Total Capital Projects Amount		
Capital Projects – Bridge Fund	**$**	**20,000.00**

Next meeting Monday, September 14, 2026 at 7pm.

There was no further business; Tom Loehr moved to adjourn the meeting. Gary Kraus seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Loehr
Town Clerk

Gary H. Kraus/Chairman

Thomas Loehr/ Supervisor

Peter Brenner/ Supervisor