

NOVEMBER 3, 2025

The November 3, 2025 meeting of the Town of Gibson Town Board was called to order by Chairperson Steven Rahmlow at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 14920 CTH Q, Mishicot, Wisconsin. Pledge of Allegiance was recited and open meetings law compliance was verified.

Chairperson Steven Rahmlow, Supervisor Don Rabitz, Supervisor Duane Argall, and Clerk/Treasurer Linda Herman were present. Others in attendance: James Falkowski, Kelley DeGrand, Shaun Wendt, Steve Zeitler, Bill Herman, Bob Krukowski, Richard Wegner, Ryan Collins, Andrew Pribyl, Dennis Rabas, and Kyle Domalick.

Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to adopt agenda in any order. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.

Minutes of October 6, 2025 meeting approved on motion by Argall, second by Rabitz. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.

Next regular meeting set for Monday, December 1, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment –Zeitler presented his history of Pautz Road roadwork completed in the past and Wegner reported that Whitelaw Tire will be going out of business in 2026, the Haven will take bicycles and collected electronics will be taken to Mishicot recycling drive.

Building, Zoning & Culvert Permits – (a) Clerk reported issuance of building permits to the following: Deborah Fulton – single family residence at 2507 Rockledge Road and Michael/Amy Dose – single family residence at 2942 Twin Bridge Road. Clerk also reported that Guex conditional use permit was approved by the Manitowoc County Board of Adjustment.

(b) SDA Ahnapee, LLC – Conditional Use Permit – SDA Ahnapee, LLC has applied to the Manitowoc County Board of Adjustment for an amendment to their existing conditional use permit to allow for vegetative screening vs. a wooden fence to be planted in 2026. Discussion. **Motion by Argall, second by Rabitz, to approve conditional use permit changes for SDA Ahnapee LLC to use of Thuja “Green Giant” Arborvitae trees. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Town Board Reports – Clerk presented and reported on financial reports – board authorized closing account at Kohler Credit Union and placing funds into Bank First money market account. Reports were also given on electronics recycling drive, county hazardous waste clean sweep program and change in compost site hours, receipt of groundwater monitoring report, receipt of first notice of non-compliance from WI Dept. of Revenue regarding assessments, and upcoming webinars, including a WI DOT webinar on future Hwy. 147 project. Rabitz reported on downed sign at Tapawingo/Jambo Creek intersection. Argall reported picking up trash. Rahmlow reported on tires in ditch (Argall will handle). Supervisor Falkowski reported on 2026 county budget activity.

Mishicot Area Ambulance Service –By-Laws/Contract/Per Capita – Rahmlow reported that the by-laws have been passed, including a provision that they are reviewed every five years. Service contract discussed. **Motion by Argall, second by Rabitz, to approve and execute Ambulance Service Contract for 2026. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Assessor – 2026 Contract – **Motion by Argall, second by Rabitz, to approve and execute Contract Agreement for Consulting, Assessing and Appraisal Services for market update revaluation and maintenance in the amount of \$39,000.00 beginning on January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Bridge Aid – Petitions – **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to approve and execute the 2025 Bridge Aid Bridge Aid Petitions. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Maribel Fire Department Contract – Ryan Collins and Dennis Rabas presented contract. Discussion. **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to approve and execute Maribel Fire Department Agreement with Town of Gibson for 2026. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Fire Departments – contracts/updates – Rahmlow gave update on meeting talks with Maribel and Mishicot fire departments. Mishicot Fire Department has decided to freeze payment for 2026 at the 2025 amount.

Recycling Center – Argall reported on information received from Tisler. Discussion. **Motion by Argall, second by Rabitz, to approve placement of an 8’ x 8’ x 20’ enclosed box for aluminum collection with no charge for rental, delivery or pickup at the recycling center. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.** Discussions continuing on trash dropoff procedures. Matter will be discussed at annual meeting.

Public Posting Boards – Posting board at recycling center will be replaced with a previously used board town has. Research on new boards will continue.

2026 Budget – Budget work meeting is set for Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. Budget hearing and special electors' meeting will be held on December 1, 2025.

Clerk Contract – Discussion. Terms finalized with a 2.9% annual increase for 3 year contract ending December 31, 2028. Contract will be placed on December agenda.

Town Salt Shed Committee – Names of candidates were presented. **Motion by Argall, second by Rahmlow to form town salt shed/maintenance committee of Bob Krukowski, Tim Desotelle, John Lyons, Ken Beine, Don Rabitz and potentially Lee Kaufmann. If Lee Kaufmann declines, the committee will consist of five named members. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

ARIP Program – Rabitz provided brief update that project design/engineering will be proceeding.

Road Projects – Various/Updates – ROW tree issues, ditch cutting, etc. – Pothole repairs have been completed and landowner on Melnik Road will be contacted by Rahmlow regarding road damage by renter. Ditch cutting is 75% completed and culvert project should begin next week. Bridge maintenance items will be on December agenda. Lake Road update – Rabitz contacted Tim Ryan and there is potential work will be done next year. Nachtwey Road has an Ash tree in ditch that needs to be taken down. An inventory of tree work will be taken and Rahmlow will call contractors for prices. Road signs – noted downed signs will be replaced after list is prepared, horse crossing signs on Old Y will be removed, and sign at intersection of Jambo Creek/Tapawingo will be replaced. Dead end signs will be placed on Hidden Valley/Hwy. R and Hidden Valley/Pautz. Road inspection will be on November 8, 2025 beginning at town hall at 7 a.m. Public nuisance tree notice was discussed. **Motion by Argall, second by Rabitz, to approve prepared Notice to Property Owners to Remove Encroachments in Town of Gibson right-of-way, or if on an owner's property and are leaning over the right-of-way. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.** First area will be Jambo swamp area on Zander Road.

Liquor & Operator Licenses – None.

Items for December 1, 2025 Agenda: ditch cutting, recycling center, snow plowing and items mentioned herein.

Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall to pay all bills presented, including payroll liabilities. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to adjourn. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:33p.m.

Linda S. Herman, Town Clerk