

MARCH 9, 2026

The March 9, 2026 meeting of the Town of Gibson Town Board was called to order by Chairperson Steven Rahmlow at 6:30 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: Dean Anhalt, Shaun Wendt, James Falkowski, Mike Robinson, Dennis Rabas, Todd Babiash, Ruth Prochazka, Dylan Mancoske, Richard Wegner, John Lyons, Scott Chalupny and John Tulachka.

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

Minutes of February 5, 2026 meeting approved on motion by Argall, second by Rabitz. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.

Next regular meeting set for Monday, April 6, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment – Comments taken on culvert dips, pothole patching and Zanders sign.

Building, Zoning & Culvert Permits – (a) Clerk reported issuance of building permits to the following: Douglas Stahl – shed at 4132 Twin Bridge Road; Russell Dobesh – single family residence at 16186 Old CC, and contacts only at this point by Joe Kurscheidt, Todd Ratajczak and Randy Miller. Discussion on communication from Vertical Bridge for construction of communications cell tower at 3820 STH 147W, Two Rivers – confirmation executed that no town permit is needed.

Dylan Mancoske appeared before the board requesting a culvert on his property at 6859 W. Zander Road.

Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to approve 18” x 40’ culvert with endwalls, provided it will not be located in wetland area. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.

John Lyons – Communication Utility Permit – Lyons Road. Lyons presented revised plan utilizing poles on south side of road between Old CC/Nachtwey where needed as described in analysis report submitted to avoid use of bridge attachments. **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to amend Utility Permit issued October 4, 2025 to Acrospire Fiber LLC to put new overhead fiber line on W Zander Road over the West Twin River. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Town Board Reports – Clerk presented/reported on financial reports, receipt of road damage funds, April 7 election, Robert E. Lee & Associates landfill groundwater monitoring report, Manitowoc County Clean Sweep partnership with Brown County and US Treasury closeout of ARPA audit. Argall reported on district meeting attendance, plans to attend a UW Ext. meeting on AI, and a call from Wendy Hieggelke on a .6 acre parcel on Hillview Court she was unaware was hers and does not want –private property matter. Rahmlow reported picking up tires, ambulance service and recycling center. Recycling center employment application presented – **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to hire Allen Bruckschen to work part-time at the recycling center. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.** Falkowski reported on upcoming county activity regarding data centers, including a March 30, 2026 Planning & Zoning meeting and potential changes to Manitowoc County Code Section 8. The board thanked Representative Falkowski for his years of service to the board and county as he will not be seeking re-election as county supervisor for District 19.

Snowplowing- No comments at this time.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP – Audit Presentation – Amber Drewieske of CLA presented the 2025 audit to the board. The town is in sound financial position and there were no issues to report during the audit.

Ditch Cutting/Cemetery Cutting – Wendt Services LLC has one year (2026) remaining on cemetery service agreement. Rabitz will bring 2026 ditch cutting agreement to April meeting.

Annual Meeting – Annual meeting will be held on April 21, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Resolution 2026-3 Supporting a Transportation Funding Solution – Discussion regarding resolution provided by the Wisconsin Towns Association regarding a new transportation funding effort and its mention of user fees. **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to table the resolution at this time. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Fire Departments – contracts/annual charges, Tisch Mills Contract – Discussion related to rising expense of funding departments, Town of Franklin payment to the department, Tisch Mills' success in receiving grants applied for, and moving from a mill on equalized value to a percentage increase for future contracts. Tisch Mills is willing to freeze 2026 amount at 2025 payment for period April 15, 2026 to April 14, 2027 and will provide a contract for signature. Meetings will be set to discuss and negotiate terms of future contract.

Town Salt Shed/Road Maintenance Work – meeting scheduled for March 11, 2026.

ARIP Program – Survey is complete and design work is proceeding.

Road Projects – various/updates – Rahmlow reported good response from Zander Road landowners on letters sent regarding necessary tree removal. Tree Issues – **Motion by Argall, second by Rabitz, to hire DJS Enterprises (David Schmidt) to remove tree on Nachtwey Road in right of way, remove brush and trees around recycling center and remove/trim trees in right of way on Hillview Road west of the bridge, in accordance with estimate provided. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.** Local Small Structure Improvement Program (LSSIP) –no action at this time. Bielinski will be contacted to complete Hillview Road patch; pothole and grading proposals at April meeting; and racetrack will be contacted regarding necessary Old Y road repair. Ayres proposal was executed for Holmes Road bridge inspection for sum of \$3,325.00 in accordance with motion at February meeting.

Liquor & Operator Licenses – None.

April 6, 2026 Agenda Items: snowplowing, ditch cutting and any other items mentioned herein.

Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall to pay bills presented and payroll liabilities, with the exception of the balance due to Bielinski Excavating for culvert work. 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 8:00 p.m.

Linda S. Herman, Town Clerk