

MAY 4, 2026

The May 4, 2026 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: Kelley Bielinski, Richard Wegner, Ryan Collins, Shaun Wendt, John Lyons, Kathleen Kudick, Amy Ullman, John Reindl, Randy Miller, John & Mary Johnson, Greg & Sheila Ronk, Heather Menozzi, Bob Rahmlow, Chris Christensen, and Brian Rabas.

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

Minutes of April 6, 2026 meeting approved on motion by Argall, second by Rabitz. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.

Next regular meeting set for Monday, June 1, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment – John Lyons is offering free internet to the town for the town hall – June 1, 2026 agenda; Richard Wegner had issue with compactor at recycling center which is now resolved.

Building, Zoning & Culvert Permits – (a) Clerk reported Manitowoc County Board of Adjustment approval of William & Gloria Koepfel/Titus Beachy Conditional Use Permit; issuance of building permits to the following: Todd Ratajczak – addition to residence at 12205 Parkway Road; Jason Kittel – garage addition and moving of garage at 15020 Old CC, Maribel. Contact received: Dale Ullman – single family residence at 6530 W. Zander Rd. – sent to county first; Luke Cisler – rezone of parcel on Krueger Road – sent to Plan Commission; Craig Troullier – rezone of parcel into 3 lots – sent to Plan Commission.

Rahmlow will follow up with Dylan Mancoske on culvert at 6859 W. Zander Road.

Dale Ullman – Kathleen Kudick appeared for Dale Ullman requesting a culvert permit. **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to approve culvert permit meeting the updated town ordinance for Dale J. Ullman on Zander Road property – parcel number 006-005-001-002.00. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Miller Family GFWO Zander Land LLC – Rezone- Argall reported on request of Randy Miller for a rezone of 5 acres of parcel 006-002-016-000.00 from EA to RR. Plan commission met with Miller – a single residence will be put on property, it is noted that much of the parcel is in wetlands with building to occur outside of the wetland area, right to farm document has been signed, and commission approved rezone of 5 acres from exclusive ag to rural residential. **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to approve rezone for Miller Family GFWO Zander Land, LLC (parcel number 006-002-016-000.00) of 5 acres from Exclusive Ag to Rural Residential and that it be forever mentioned that he is building one foot away vertically from a wetland and that never, ever does anybody ever come in and complain about water when it floods. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Plan Commission update – Argall reported there will be two more rezones to be looked into, they are working snow removal policy and on AI incorporation into the Town of Gibson Comprehensive Plan.

Town Board Reports – Clerk presented/reported on financial reports, communications received from: Geoffrey Lindow – water issue; Mishicot School – ribbon cutting/ground breaking ceremony for athletic field & remodel/performing arts center, Mike Zielinski – water issue; County surveyor correspondence regarding road projects/markers, Manitowoc County Emergency Management asking for flooding information from residents, Manitowoc County Soil & Water Conservation Department correspondence

denying Cedar Springs Dairy, LLC request to expand feed storage pad, and May 1, 2026 statement from Mr. Herzog (will be forwarded to Rural Insurance). Clerk also reported on filing of spring election documentation, 2025 recycling actual cost report, tax exempt property report, worker's compensation audit, 2025 form CT with WI Dept. of Revenue; price increase on items from GFL for services, and Board of Review will meet on June 1, 2026 at 6:55 p.m. to adjourn to August 3, 2026. Rahmlow reported on tires in ditch, the ambulance service staffing issue – service will be having a consultant come in to review situation, and the recycling center is fine.

Snowplowing – Rahmlow met with contractor (Kelley) and all necessary items from snow plowing season have been fixed. Clerk updated board that aid application has been submitted and is in review status with Wisconsin Emergency Management. Clerk will keep board updated.

Wendy Hieggelke – Deed to town – Argall reported documents were completed and mailed to Hieggelke for signature for property to be deeded to town. He will keep board updated. PASER report mileage will be checked for road aid reporting.

Ditch Cutting– Service Agreement – Proposals were opened and reviewed from Bielienski Excavating Inc. (\$21,800 = 1st, \$53,600 = 2nd; additional mower = \$175/hr; additional boom = \$195/hr) and Wendt Services, LLC (\$16,900 = 1st, \$30,900 – 2nd; additional mower = \$150/hr; additional boom = \$175/hr). **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall to enter into 2026 Highway Service Agreement with Wendt Services, LLC for the 2 cuttings for a combined \$47,800.00; any additional mower at \$150.00/hr and boom at \$175/hr. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Fire Departments – contracts/annual charges, Tisch Mills Contract, Mishicot Fire Department correspondence – No update from Maribel Fire Department at this time. Proposed letter to Mishicot Fire Department from Town of Mishicot, Village of Mishicot and Town of Gibson was reviewed. **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall that Steven Rahmlow, Town of Gibson Chairman, sign for the Town of Gibson, the letter to the Mishicot Fire Department dated May 5, 2026. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Town Salt Shed/Road Maintenance Work – Meeting was held April 8, 2026. Committee is currently looking at sizes for a salt shed, materials, building types and exploring a general site layout. Next meeting is set for May 13, 2026.

Recycling Center – trash collection method – At annual meeting, residents voted (advisory) to go to stickers vs. bags. Current bag supply should last until December. Discussion had on having bags, stickers, no bags or stickers, selling bundles of stickers. Matter will be on upcoming agendas.

Town Attorney – clerk authorization to contact – Clerk asked permission to consult with town attorney on various matters that may arise, such as open record requests, record retention, etc. **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, that Linda Herman, Town Clerk/Treasurer has permission to contact the town attorney for town business as she deems necessary for the length of her contract. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

Zander Bridge – correction of ownership – Rahmlow was contacted by Greg Grotegut that a correction of ownership is necessary for Zander Bridge. Property was transferred during project to Manitowoc County vs. Town of Gibson; Manitowoc County is deeding property to Town of Gibson at no cost to the town.

Twin River Court – flooding – Rahmlow was contacted regarding flooding issues April 13. Discussion with residents and they gave their thoughts on conditions and possible solutions – a culvert across Nachtweg, digging a ditch deeper, more culverts. Maps were examined with elevation changes, existing culverts, current right of ways, and water flow. Residents provided previous history of activity, including work by Lambert and Holschbach Excavating. Rahmlow will review file and Rabitz will review grades.

Lover's Lane – Johnson proposal – John Johnson approached Rahmlow regarding April 14 flooding and offered to pay for project there to relieve flooding on his property, although he stated he would appreciate some town money toward it. Rahmlow advised him to bring proposal to board, which must include crossing t's and dotting all i's and talking with all landowners. Kelley of Bielinski Excavating provided photos of property. Johnson had David Wetenkamp of Manitowoc County view matter. Johnson researched and said there was never an engineering firm consulted or involved with that culvert installation west of driveway. His proposal would be to remove culvert west of driveway and take two culverts that cross Lover's Lane and put them to run parallel to road. Argall stated an engineer will be required, Rabitz stated ditch needs to be sized appropriately. Rabitz would request there is a meeting at town hall with every property owner that owns property on Lover's Lane. Rahmlow will work on matter.

ARIP Program – Rabitz said 60% design meeting was held and goal is to have bid out by end of month, and believes additional right of way will not need to be purchased. Rabitz will continue to work on various matters, including speed limit and curbs, with REL and keep board posted on status.

Road Projects – various/updates – Lover's Lane washout does need to be repaired and Rahmlow will call county to discuss what can be done. Novy Road turnaround – town property there has been surveyed and Rabitz will continue to review and work on. Argall has bid from Kewaunee County for line-striping; Rabitz would like to do patches pre-striping. **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall to approve Kewaunee County line-striping for Twin Bridge Road - \$1,200.00 and Hill View Road - \$620.00 after we potentially decide on Manitowoc County doing the patches. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.** Argall will followup on dip quote with Manitowoc County. Grading – Tower Excavating proposal opened. **Motion by Argall, second by Rabitz, to approve grading for Lakeview, Horse, Fisher, Melnik, Pautz, Hidden Valley and Krueger Roads by Tower Excavating at hourly rate of \$195.00/hour under Argall's direction. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.** Potholes – there are a couple left yet to take care of – Rahmlow will acquire additional material. Cutting of cemeteries will begin now. Argall will talk with Gary Mueller and obtain quote to seal Old Y bridge.

Liquor & Operator Licenses - Clerk presented entertainment permit and license application. **Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall, to grant Sandra Ruttner d/b/a Harpts Lake Beach Bar a Class "B" beer license and Live Entertainment permit. All voting aye by voice vote, motion carried.**

June 1, 2026 Agenda Items: John Lyons – internet, ditch cutting, dip fixing, fire departments, snowplowing, Wendy Hieggelke and any other items mentioned herein will be placed on May agenda.

Motion by Rabitz, second by Argall to pay bills presented and 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 9:25 p.m.

Linda S. Herman, Town Clerk