

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF MERRILL BOARD MEETING
HELD AT THE TOWN OF MERRILL COMMUNITY CENTER
JUNE 9TH, 2025 AT 5:30 P.M.**

Chairman Tony Baumann called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Chairman Tony Baumann, Supervisors Darrel Dengel, Matt Leder, Tim Mueske and Scott Oberg in attendance.

Also present: See sign in sheet.

Motion by Matt Leder to accept minutes of May 12th, 2025, Town Meeting as printed, 2nd by Scott Oberg; motion carried 5-0.

Treasurer's Report: Ending Balance as of June 9th, 2025, is \$1,112,254.96. After checks issued on June 9th, 2025, for \$97,427.78. Balance as of June 9th, 2025, \$1,009,750.23. Motion by Matt Leder to approve as read, 2nd by Tim Mueske; motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Matt Leder to approve the vouchers as presented, 2nd by Darrel Dengel; motion carried 5-0.

ROAD REPORT

Ryan has been out grading the roads. We have had a few concerns; Tony met with some property owners and explained the process and they are all ok. We may put up road signs in the future to make people aware of the work being done and the need to slow down.

EQUIPMENT REPORT

The fan belt on the grader may need to be replaced, the estimate from John Deere was \$1,000. Ryan and Tony are going to look at it to see if they can do it themselves.

OLD BUSINESS

Darrel Dengel made a motion to approve the amended Recycling Ordinance No. 1B-94, 2nd by Matt Leder; motion carried 5-0.

Matt Leder made a motion to approve the Compliance Assurance Plan, 2nd by Darrel Dengel; motion carried 5-0.

Parking Regulations Ordinance No. 2025-01. To enforce this, we would need to have a contract with the Sheriff's Department, have a fine amount that must be reasonable, if any tickets that are distributed go to court, we would need a lawyer to defend the township. The area where there is a problem is Memorial Drive turn around. Tony and a supervisor will talk with the people parking there and try to resolve the problem. The ordinance will be tabled for now.

Health complaint on Moritzville Ave., Tony talked with Lyle Eggersgluess, he said he would move cars and tires. Tony went to check, and the cars were moved. Matt Leder also went by there before the meeting and said it looked good. Lyle is allowed to keep old cars under Wis. Stat. 341-268.

Cancellation terms for the rental of the Town Hall. Discussion was decided by the Board, Clerk Mitzi Flegner will type up the new terms to be approved at the July Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

The Personnel Manual was looked at and discussed. There are a few changes to be made, Mitzi will make the changes, and it will be looked at again at the July Board meeting.

Darrel Dengel made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit for parcel #014-3206-363-9966, N2530 Cty Rd JJ, Irvin and Cheryl Fick for offsite parking lot, 2nd by Matt Leder; motion carried 5-0.

When American Asphalt put down the 1st layer of black top down on Lincoln Dr., they discovered a huge soft spot. Brandon Peterson looked at it and it is about 25 x 40 feet. We don't know how deep it is; worst case scenario could cost \$11,500, we are hoping for \$3,500-\$5,000. Brandon suggested payment for time and materials would be the fairest for the township and covers his costs also. Darrel Dengel made a motion to hire Peterson Bros. Sand & Gravel to proceed with the work needed to be done, 2nd by Scott Oberg; motion carried 5-0.

Darrel Dengel made a motion to approve Class A liquor license for Geiss Meat Service, Class B Combination for Whiskey Business, The Dugout, A-J's Break-A-Way, Throwline Drinkery, Hy-Da-Way, and The Roc, 2nd by Matt Leder; motion carried 5-0.

Matt Leder made a motion to approve the Mobile Home Park License for Little Florida, 2nd by Darrel Dengel; motion carried 5-0.

There was discussion on the payroll options. Right now, we are using Quick Books Desktop, which cost us \$1,100 this year. We checked with Richard Mamer's office, they would do our payroll, along with monthly and quarterly filings and W-2's at the end of the year for \$150 a month, which is \$1,800 a year. Mitzi called Quick Books and needed to upgrade to the 2024 desktop version. Quick Books also said that this would be the last time Quick Books would be updating the desktop version, they will eventually want everyone to go with Quick Books Internet. The Board decided to stay with what we have and table this until needed.

The CD renewal date is June 24, 2025. As of right now the 7-month renewal interest rate is 4%, 13-month renewal interest rate is 3.25%. Darrel Dengel made a motion to renew the CD with the highest interest rate, 2nd by Scott Oberg; motion carried 5-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Scott Streich felt it would be a good idea for the township to have a parking regulations ordinance. Tony commented that it is hard to enforce it, and we will try to resolve it by speaking with the people first.

Jeff Litscher N2793 Swede Rd., spoke about the problem of speeding and reckless driving on his road. He spoke to the sheriff's office and was told that roads do not have speed limit signs it is assumed the speed limit is 55. He spoke with Chief Iverson, and he suggested getting descriptions and if possible, license plate numbers. He also said they would try to patrol that area more. It was discussed that 45 mph would be best on all side roads in the township. Rick Neumann didn't think there were that many roads without. Jeff is going to continue to look into what we can do to help this get resolved and report to Mitzi and/or Tony.

ADJOURN

Darrel Dengel made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Tim Mueske; motion carried 5-0.
The meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.

Mitzi Flegner, Clerk