

TOWN OF NEW GLARUS

Regular Town Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 8, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location: Chalet Landhaus Conference Room

801 WI Hwy 69, New Glarus, WI

Members in attendance: Chair Narveson, Supervisor Streiff, Supervisor Pauli (arrived at 6:03 p.m.), Supervisor Pernitz, Clerk Treasurer, Margo McMicken

Also, in attendance were: Alex Esser, Ron Roesslein, Lynn Paron, Dan Frye, Tim Schleeper, Engineer from Vierbicher, Revecca Streiff and Building Inspector, Scott Jelle, Total Inspection Services.

1. Chair Narveson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
2. Clerk McMicken confirmed posting of the agenda on October 6, 2025
3. The September 10, 2025, minutes were presented. Supervisor Pernitz noted that item # 16 should read that the container ordinance be presented at the October meeting, not the November meeting. Supervisor Streiff made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction to Item #16. Supervisor Pauli seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.
4. Chair Narveson welcomed Dan Gartzke to the Board and gave Mr. Gartzke the Oath of Office.
5. Ron Roesslein, Town of New Glarus patrolman reported his activity in the past month. The past 32 weeks he has spent mowing ditches using the batwing mower, skid steer mower and brush cutter. The new brush cutter is working very well. He would like to divide the township into 3 sections, focusing on one section each year. The water bill at the garage was nearly \$900. There was a valve in the bathroom that was causing the problem. This has been corrected. Ron will be touching up the driveways on Farmer's Grove Road now that the final work on Farmer's Grove is complete. He will also be working on cutting trees and branches at the Legacy Prairie Park. Ron invited new Supervisor Gartzke to tour the township sometime when schedules permit.
6. No one spoke during public time.
7. Scott Jelle presented the building inspector report. He has issued 38 permits so far this year. Four were for new homes so far this year. Most permits are for additions and remodels. Since the Town is a customer of Total Inspection Services, they will not be charging the Township for inspections required for the new town garage.
8. Exemption from Treasurer's Bond Ordinance #08-2025-3 was presented. Attorney Hazelbaker reviewed the ordinance and approved. This ordinance will replace having to write a resolution annually. Supervisor Streiff made a motion to approve the ordinance. Supervisor Gartzke seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.
9. The new EMS contract with Belleville EMS was discussed. The Board approved this contract on October 1, 2025. All were optimistic that this is a good venture.
10. The Storage Box ordinance was presented. Some felt the permit fee was too low and a penalty for not getting a proper permit for a storage box was discussed. Clerk McMicken will research other Town's ordinances for these fees and bring back to the board in November.
11. The Clerk Treasurer job description was presented. Two minor changes will be made. The addition of "holds public office hours as established by the Town Board" and "duties as assigned by the Chair and/or Town Board. Supervisor Streiff made a motion to approve the job description as amended. Supervisor Pernitz seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.
12. The posting of "Draft Minutes" on the website or releasing draft minutes was presented and discussed. Supervisor Pernitz made a motion to not post draft minutes on the website or release draft minutes until approved. Supervisor Pauli seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.
13. Supervisor Streiff made a motion to appoint Alex Esser to the Plan Commission. Supervisor Pauli seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

14. Signage for the property on Highway 39 for the new Town Garage, Legacy Prairie Park and future Town Hall was discussed along with costs. Supervisor Pernitz is looking into options. The Board would like to keep costs below \$10,000. This will be discussed again at the November meeting.
15. Clerk McMicken gave the Clerk's Report. Checks #22110 thru 22131 totaling \$46,014.30 were presented to the board. Also presented were the electronic funds transfers for disbursements totaling \$19,853.32 which included \$10,700.00 for the new brush cutter. Supervisor Streiff made a motion to approve the Clerk's Report and disbursements. Supervisor Pauli seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.
16. Chair Narveson reported on the concerns regarding traffic around Bailey's run along with extreme noise. Discussion continued. No resolve was reached. Chair Narveson also updated the board on the progress of the new Town Garage. Digging should start next week. A meeting with Cleary for a Friday will be held. One other board member will be needed. Borth Supervisor Pernitz and Gartzke could be available. Although Hayes Lane needs a second coat of asphalt, this won't be done until next year. The price quoted this year will not be held.
The grant opportunity for a new Town Hall was discussed. This grant project would need to include a community center, as the likely grant recipients are projects that serve the community. Tim Schleeper stated that his firm could fill out the application that is due the end of the month. Jeff Lehay has a drawing of a proposed Town Hall that would meet the grant's criteria. A special meeting at the garage to discuss this further will be held.
17. The meeting minute drafts from the last Plan Commission and Parks Commission meetings were distributed.
18. Supervisor Pauli made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Pernitz seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Submitted by: Margo A. McMicken
Clerk Treasurer
Approved 11-12-2025