## Town Board Meeting – October 26, 2026 - 7:00 p.m. – Town Hall

PRESENT: Chair Jim Erdman, Supervisor Matt Merten, Supervisor Bill Demler, Treasurer Laura Hunt, Clerk Jeannette Merten, and an audience of 7.

Chair Erdman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Motion by M. Merten, Demler seconded, to approve the October 12, 2026 Budget Workshop minutes as presented.**
Roll call. Erdman, yes; M. Merten, yes; Demler, yes. Motion Carried.

**Motion by M. Merten, Demler seconded, to approve the October 12, 2026 Town Board Meeting minutes as presented.**
Roll call. M. Merten, yes; Demler, yes; Erdman, yes. Motion Carried.

## Reports:

### Fire Chief Report.

Deputy Fire Chief Todd Zak had nothing new to report.

### First Responder Coordinator Report.

First Responder Director Trevor Fenrich reported there were two service calls since the last report. They have determined that they have an excess of service and training supplies. They thought of possibly selling it on WI Surplus auction sales. Bailey Fernau, EMS member, had mentioned to him that Town of Utica could be interested in the supplies. Board members agreed that either option is acceptable for disposing of the supplies.

### Zoning Administrator Report.

Zoning Administrator Carol Kaufmann reported issuing one zoning permit on Edgewood, a vacant lot. She also received a fence inquiry on Island View and is monitoring development related to the new house on Norton Ave.

## Public Participation:

A Winnebago County Deputy attended to take comments and answer questions.

There was a discussion on whether Deer Crossing signs are effective. Jim Erdman is in favor of the signs, and Bill Demler said that, with prior experience in the County Highway Dept., there are no studies that conclude they are effective, plus deer cannot read signs.

Karen Casper, 5211 Channel View Dr., mentioned that in some areas they use contraceptive shots to decrease the herd number. Demler said hunters are allowed three doe tags in Winnebago County this year.

## Planning and Zoning:

**Certified Survey Map; 2 parcels combined, 1966 Skyranch Rd.**

Victoria Lopes, owner of 1966 Skyranch, said they are combining the lots because they plan to build an accessory building on the other lot.

**Motion made by M. Merten, Demler seconded, to approve the Certified Survey Map at 1966 Skyranch Rd combining 2 parcels.**

Roll call. Demler, yes; Erdman, yes; M. Merten, yes. Motion carried.

## Business:

**Appoint Election Officials: Dawn Olson and Bethany Rentsch.**

**Motion made by M. Merten, Demler seconded, to appoint Dawn Olson and Bethany Rentsch as Election Officials.**

Roll call. Erdman, yes; M. Merten, yes; Demler, yes. Motion carried.

**Status of Gabert dispute matter.**

Erdman read a proposed Resolution he wrote.

**Demler made a motion, seconded by M. Merten, to approve Erdman's proposed Resolution regarding the Gabert legal dispute and to include obtaining testimony affidavits from Gary Lux, Kathy Kinderman, and John Macho.**

Roll call. M. Merten, yes; Demler, yes; Erdman, yes. Motion carried.

**Forthcoming Events of public interest and additional comments:**

Reminder, Budget Hearing on Monday, Nov 9th 6 p.m.

Matt Merten made contact with the neighbor to the Patt's on Island View about Patt's complaint to trim weeds.

## Correspondence:

1. Winnebago Correction Center; inmate use for project crew, ditching, clean up, etc.
2. PSC Office of the Commissioner of Railroads; Traffic Engineering at Grade Crossings training.
3. Winnebago Co Zoning; Zoning Permit 1929 Indian Pt Rd.
4. Winnebago Co Zoning; Zoning Permit 2476 Hickory Ln.
5. Winnebago Co Zoning; Erosion Control Permit 5241 Killdeer Ln.
6. Winnebago Co GIS; Address Assignment 5213 Killdeer Ln.
7. WPS; Road improvement project planning
8. WPS; Road ROW Permit 4871 Plummers Pt Rd.

Correspondence provided to the board at the meeting:

1. Winnebago County Zoning; revised Chapter 16 ordinance 4th Public Hearing Notice.

**Motion to pay bills as presented made by Demler, M. Merten seconded.**
The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion made by Demler, M. Merten seconded, to adjourn.**
The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Jeannette Merten
Town of Oshkosh Clerk