

**Town of Somerset
Transportation & Facilities Committee
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 6, 2025**

Call to Order & Roll Call: Chair Plourde called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. Present were Demulling, Crotty, Plourde, Neumann, Hoheisel and Witzmann (not a committee member).

Approval of Agenda: *Motion by Demulling, seconded by Crotty to approve the agenda. Motion carried.*

Public Input: None.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: *Motion by Demulling, seconded by Crotty to approve the March 31, 2025, meeting minutes. Motion carried.*

Old Business: Larry Hecht-60th Street Water Runoff Issues-Discuss, Review & Recommendation: Plourde explained the previous improvements to the road and the retention pond which was done through a grant. When 60th Street was improved, the water drainage was concentrated. There is a stormwater holding pond, which hydro CAD cannot be located. Plourde proposes no more subdivision until the water issue is resolved. Plourde stated Jewell will give a recommendation on their findings.

205th Avenue Discuss, Review & Consideration of Amending WI DOT TRI D Application: Jewell advised if they shortened the road with the monies allocated, it would only go from Hwy. 35 to 66th Street and not the biggest hill. Plourde asked if we should proceed with MSA's plan or Jewell can submit to the DOT to recondition rather than reconstruction and post the vertical hills. *After much discussion, motion by Demulling, seconded by Plourde to proceed with MSA's original plans, (2'shoulders) 45 mph speed limit have Jewell redo the construction estimate and proceed with the bidding process. Motion carried.*

Parnell Prairie Preserve Parking Lot Quote/Plan by Witzmann: Witzmann presented a plan for the PPP parking lot and a handout from WTA on the bidding process. Consensus was to have Witzmann give a recommendation on the number of parking spots at the Town Board meeting. Witzmann presented signage ideas for the park. BCE provided 24 sign pricing for \$500.

210th Avenue Guardrail Follow-Up: Doug Zahler submitted as built plans. Committee reviewed. Demulling requested chevrons be installed.

Equipment-Dagelmann Sale Update: No offers on the Dagelman auction. Transmission on big red is malfunctioning. Hoheisel inquired about status of warranty from December. Truck will need repair. Crotty presented information on teeth/cutting edge for grader at \$3145. *Motion by Plourde, seconded by Demulling to approve the purchase of stinger boards through McCoy for \$3,145. Motion carried.*

Roads Update: 233rd Avenue in the cul-de-sac has a hole in the pavement. Neumann stated the whole cul-de-sac is clay. Bottom of Rice Lake Road, 216th Avenue has issues. Grader patches for repairs. 232nd Avenue culvert endwall to the north needs attention. Demulling suggested a price from All Excavating on 232nd Avenue and 396-180th Avenue.

Summer Work Hours: Consensus was road crew work four 10-hour days, paid lunch, Monday-Thursday, 6am-4pm until first Monday in October, on a trial basis to be reviewed at the next Transportation & Facilities meeting.

Right-of-Way Professionals-Temporary Limited Easement Offer, Warranty Deed & Info on LaGrande Trail Bicycle & Ped Path: Discussion. *Motion by Crotty, seconded by Demulling to recommend to the Town Board to approve the TLE & Warranty Deed offer for \$2800. Motion carried.*

Fred Meyers Second Driveway: *Motion by Crotty, seconded by Demulling to allow an exception for the second driveway due to him driving over his septic-June 4th Town Board agenda item. Motion carried.*

Update on Town Hall Projects: Generator-Midwest Gas line suggested ECI dig in a line-new service from meter to Fire Hall generator and teeing off that. Parnell Prairie Shelter power-building permit has been issued, and Neo will complete both generator and PPP electrical projects. Flagpoles have arrived – installing 48” from edge of blacktop, possibly the week of May 12th. Concrete-no information.

Stripe Lines on Andersen Scout Camp Road & Other Roads, RR Crossings: Discussion. Contact City of New Richmond to rent their machine or rent machine w/employee.

New Business-230th Avenue Culvert Collapse: All Excavating will repair/gravel road.

Run Stillwater St. Croix Crossing Half Marathon July 26th-Review, Discuss, Recommendation: No issues.

Bridge the Valley Bike Rally, August 10th, Review, Discuss & Recommendation: No issues.

Next Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday, June 3, 1 pm. Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Jeri Koester,
Clerk