

TOWN OF MARION
Meeting Minutes
SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

1. Call Meeting to Order / Pledge of Allegiance - Chairman Garrel Walejko opened the board meeting at 7:01pm on Thursday, September 11, 2025. The Pledge was not cited.
2. Roll Call – Present were Chairman Garrel Walejko, Supervisor Bill Behnke, Clerk Tonya Nigh, Treasurer Karen Savignac, Wautoma Police Lt. Joey Rosin, Bob Savigna, Ed Kissinger and Barb Bartel.
3. Approval of Minutes – August 12, 2025, meeting – Behnke made a motion to approve the August 12, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.
4. Reports
 - a. Treasurer's Report - Savignac gave her Treasurer's Report for August 1-31, 2025. Walejko offered the Treasurer's Report for audit.

Financial Accounts
Town of Marion
Treasurer, Karen Savignac

08/01/2025 - 08/31/2025

<u>Bank First</u> <u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>BEGINNING</u>	<u>DEPOSIT</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>ENDING</u>
<u>User Fee</u> <i>Interest Rate 4.19%</i>	5,336.33	307.00	0.00	5,643.33
<u>Checking Account</u> <i>Interest Rate 4.11%</i>	<u>899,521.47</u>	<u>142,892.69</u>	<u>46,268.94</u>	<u>996,145.22</u>
BANK ONE TOTALS	904,857.80	143,199.69	46,268.94	1,001,788.55

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<u>General Acct - Squad Car</u> <i>Interest Rate 4.36%</i>	<u>37,931.23</u>	<u>140.46</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>38,071.69</u>
GRAND TOTALS	<u>942,789.03</u>	<u>143,340.15</u>	<u>46,268.94</u>	<u>\$ 1,039,860.24</u>

- b. Deputy Sheriff – Town Patrol Update
 1. Police Car Recall – Deputy Sheriff Spitler was not present so this was tabled.
 - c. Wautoma Police Chief – Boat Patrol Update – Lt Joey Rosin stated they had a Fisheree with ODC. They took several clients out to fish and they all had a great time and they all caught fish. Lt Rosin also thanked Dave Chase for bringing his boat and helping with the Fisheree. – There was a complaint on Irogami of operating without lights. A warning was given, as the Boat Patrol was also having light trouble also. – Several citations were written over Labor Day weekend, but there were no injuries reported this year. There was a 90% citation increase this year, mainly for no PFD (personal flotation device). – Lt Rosin stated that they want to make sure there is a learning experience for the people they talk to. – They also participated in the Dunk Tank at the Waushara County Fair.
 5. Public Comments – Ed Kissinger stated it was a great decision to go with Wautoma Police

Department. – Kissinger said they had a successful SLMD with the Wautoma School District 7th graders. They took 104 students around the lake and the Biologists explained Invasive Species Education to them. – Irogami Dam is being worked on and the water weir was opened for the winter.

6. Receipt Printer for Credit Card Machine at Maes Landing - Behnke made a motion to table. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

7. Quote for Audit of Clerk & Treasurer's Financials – The board reviewed the audit quote from Waushara Tax. Behnke made a motion to accept the audit quote for all 3 phases for \$3850-5250. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

8. Michele Marks Hall Rental on 12/27/25 - Walejko made a motion to approve Michele Marks hall rental. Motion was seconded by Behnke. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

9. Separate Tax Savings Account – Nigh discussed how she thought it would be a good idea to have a separate tax savings account for better tracking of the property taxes. Behnke made a motion to approve having a separate tax savings account. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

10. Clerk & Treasurer Training – Nigh and Savignac would like to go to WTA training on 9/15 and Nigh would like to go to WTA training on 10/12-10/14. Behnke made a motion to approve the training. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

11. Flag Fire Signs issued and Cost - Flag style fire signs are easier to read. The cost for the sign, post, installation and administration work totals \$67 per sign. Behnke made a motion to approve that all new and replacement fire signs will be flag style and to charge \$67 per sign. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

12. \$530 dumpster bill - - Behnke made a motion to table. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

13. Clerk & Treasurer Accounting Programs – Nigh would like to get QuickBooks for the clerk's accounting program. Savignac would like to get Quicken for the treasurer's accounting program. Behnke made a motion to approve the clerk's accounting program not to exceed \$2,000/yr and the treasurer's accounting program not to exceed \$1,000/yr. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

14. BankFirst Credit Card Application approval - Behnke made a motion to approve the BankFirst Credit Card Application with a \$5,000 credit limit. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

15. Town Web's Proposal for an Upgraded Website – Received two different proposals from TownWeb. Nigh asked TownWeb to requote for a better option and got the proposal from \$1868/yr down to \$1220/yr. She is also working on getting a refund for a branded email charge. Behnke made a motion to accept the \$1220/yr proposal. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

16. Board sign list of checks instead of initialing each individual Invoice - - Behnke made a motion to table. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

17. Cipher lock for South Town Hall Door - - Behnke made a motion to table. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

18. Board and Treasurer need Town Emails – Nigh explained why it was important for town officials/employees to have a town email address instead of using their personal email address. Behnke made a motion for Nigh to set up gmail accounts for everyone. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

19. New Internet and Cell Phone with US Cellular / Disconnect service with Brightspeed – The last several months the phone and internet have not been working properly, with some days of no service. Nigh was able to get a new contract with US Cellular for the internet and a cell phone at about 1/5 of the current cost

of the internet and phone services. Behnke made a motion to accept service with US Cellular and disconnect service with Brightspeed. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

20. Update Town Hall Rental Contract that Everyone must clean up after using the Town Hall – After Board discussion, it was decided to leave the contract as it. Behnke made a motion to leave the town hall rental contract as is. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

21. Hire a person to clean the Town Hall – Behnke thought it was a good idea to hire a cleaning person for two times a month. There are a couple of people interested in the job. Behnke made a motion to approve hiring a cleaning person for two times a month. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

22. Outside light on South of Building not working – Bob Savignac looked at fixing the light. He stated it was new in 2021 but he's not able to fix it, as it will need an electrician.

23. Correspondence

a. DNR Letter about MFL Land – No comment

24. Complaints – There were multiple trees down this last month. Adam Bladder is working on cutting trees and plans on getting to all the lakes in the Town this winter.

25. Approval of payment of current bills

a. Invasive Species Donation Checks

Behnke made a motion to approve the current bills as presented. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.

26. Announcements:

a. Next Monthly Board Meeting, Thursday, October 9, 2025 – 7:00P.M.

b. Clerk's office will be closed September 15 and October 13 & 14 for Training

27. Adjournment - Behnke made a motion to adjourn at 8:23pm. Motion was seconded by Walejko. All favored the motion, so the motion carried.