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MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 21, 2026, 7:00 P.M.
Town Board Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Chairman Laufenberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call shows Chairperson Dave Laufenberg and Supervisors Tyler Jankowski, Matt Wright, Ashley Ballweg, and Leon Zinck III present.

Among those also present were Clerk-Treasurer Dianah Fayas, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Lori Eckes, Road Patrolman Darin Ripp, Heath and Rachel Mickelson, and Duane Wagner.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. CONFIRMATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS LAW

The Clerk confirmed that the agenda was posted at town hall and on the Town website.

3. INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT TIME – None.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: April 9, 2026

Motion by Sup. Wright, seconded by Sup. Jankowski to approve the meeting minutes of April 9, 2026.
Motion carried, 5-0.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PC:

a. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR INSIDE STORAGE, 6601 MEFFERT RD., PARCEL 0808-231-8015-0

PC ACTION: MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WRIGHT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BARMAN TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR INSIDE STORAGE BUT DENY THE REQUEST FOR OUTSIDE STORAGE. MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

Motion by Sup. Wright, seconded by Sup. Ballweg to issue the conditional use permit for inside storage at 6601 Meffert Road, Parcel 0808-231-8015-0 and deny outside storage. Motion carried, 5-0.

b. APPOINTMENT OF PLAN COMMISSIONERS

PC ACTION: MOTION BY CHAIRMAN ENDRES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WRIGHT TO APPOINT NEIL STATZ, KURT ACKER, AND ERIK MARX TO THE PLAN COMMISSION. MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

Motion by Sup. Zinck, seconded by Sup. Ballweg to approve the Plan Commission's recommendation appointing of Neil Statz, Erik Marx, and Kurt Acker to the Plan Commission. Motion carried, 5-0.

Chair Laufenberg appointed Misters Statz, Marx, and Acker to the Plan Commission.

6. SUBDIVISION SPLITS DAHMEN DR

The Board would like this added to the next Plan Commission agenda, noted there is no building allowed on 12% slopes or greater, and requests the property owner provide a contour map of the lot under discussion.

7. PRESENTATION BY TOWN AUDITOR BAKER TILLY

The 2025 annual report indicates a General Fund fund balance increase of \$456,000 but doesn't reflect the \$310,000 invoice budgeted for Major Road Work for 2025 that was paid in January 2026. Based on the Town's accounting practices, the Clerk noted that 2026's audit would reflect a smaller or perhaps decrease in fund balance because the \$310,000 payment wasn't included in the 2026 budget, rather the payment was anticipated in the 2025 budget.

8. 2026 KOPP RD. ROAD WORK

Bids for the 2026 Kopp Road road work project close on Friday.

9. 2026 FINANCIALS THRU MARCH

Motion by Sup. Zinck, seconded by Sup. Ballweg to approve the financials thru March. Motion carried, 5-0.

10. PAPE PARK PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

The Town has approximately \$70,000 in the Parks Fund; staff is awaiting descriptions and/or rendering of available equipment from local vendor.

11. RESOLUTION 2026-01 SUPPORTING A TRANSPORTATION FUNDING SOLUTION

Motion by Chairperson Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Zinck to approve Resolution 26-01. Motion carried, 5-0.

12. OLD BUSINESS

a. 2026 ROAD PROJECTS

Crack filling was done. Patrolman Ripp has started patching in preparation for chip sealing estimated to start in a couple of weeks. The guard rail work in Martinsville is scheduled for next week.

13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Middleton Fire District is exploring costs of offering more coverage to Westport and Springfield. Depending on the size of the expansion of coverage area, the Towns may need to each provide a \$250,000 response vehicle and place to store it. Sup. Zinck III is collaborating on a grant to fund development of a two and a half million-dollar grant application for fire equipment. Waunakee Fire's meeting was canceled; plans to hire a full-time chief may be decided next week. The Plan Commission heard complaints on two properties; Chairman Laufenberg reported the he has received communication that one of the property owners will be adding storage to mitigate the accumulation of equipment being stored along the highway, and that he will talk to the other property owner and request any vehicles intended for salvage are not left outside of the permitted salvage area behind the fence. Supervisors would like language added to CUPs for storage, acknowledging the dangers of electric battery storage.

14. ROAD PATROLMAN'S REPORT

The Towns of Springfield and Barry were awarded an LRIP grant to reconstruct Whippoorwill Road. The towns will see if the project can be done in 2026 or will have to wait until 2027.

15. CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

16. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

Motion by Sup. Ballweg, seconded by Sup. Jankowski to approve the bills. Motion carried, 5-0.

17. ADJOURN

Motion by Sup. Zinck, seconded by Sup. Jankowski to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.