

**TOWN OF MANITOWOC RAPIDS  
MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 12, 2024**

The June 12, 2024 meeting of the Town of Manitowoc Rapids meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stradal at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 8624 CTH JJ, Manitowoc, WI.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called, and members present were: Josh Stradal-Chairperson, Tom Wetenkamp-Supervisor 1, John Jost-Supervisor 2, Jessica Backus-Clerk/Treasurer, and Constable Jim Wiesner. Jeremy Stradal-Road Foreman was excused.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chairperson Stradal presented the minutes from the May 8, 2024 Monthly Meeting and May 15, 2024 Special Meeting. Supervisor Wetenkamp moved to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Supervisor Jost. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Chairperson Stradal presented the June 12, 2024 agenda. Supervisor Wetenkamp moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Jost. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Clerk Backus presented the cash flow report. Supervisor Jost moved to approve the cash flow report, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairperson Stradal opened public comment at 6:32 p.m.

No one present wished to speak, subsequently Chairperson Stradal closed public input at 6:32 p.m.

**REPORTS**

*Constable* – Constable reported he received five calls.

*Highway* – Supervisor Jost reported the mastic was complete. Next week the culverts would be done on Parkview Rd and NEA would be there for the blacktop work by the railroad. Road Foreman Stradal would like to request possible at concrete slabs for the new dumpsters at the Recycling Center.

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Discussion and action on Thompson Machinery Variance Request*

Chairperson Stradal explained Thomason Machinery was requesting a variance to construct a 37'x50' building addition at 15' from the Basswood Rd. right-of-way line located in an industrial zoned district. Chairperson Stradal moved to approve variance, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp. Discussion took place. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

*Discussion on Manitowoc Fire and Rescue*

Chairperson Stradal reported the Board met with Manitowoc Fire and Rescue to discuss future options of fire services for the Town.

*Discussion and possible action on Public Access by Theis Property*

Clerk Backus explained that the original map on the resolution to vacate the public access on Pierce Dr had to be amended. Chairperson Stradal moved to approve Resolution 2024-2 AMEND Resolution 2021-19 to Vacate and Revise the Public Access from Pierce Dr to the Manitowoc River, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

*Discussion and action on Town Storage Shed*

Supervisor Jost explained birds have been nesting in the shed and creating a mess on the equipment below. Road Foreman Stradal received a quote from Phipps Construction for bird netting and a new overhead door. Discussion took place. Chairperson Stradal moved to for Phipps to install a new door and hold off on bird netting to see if the new door keeps the birds out, seconded by Supervisor Jost. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

*Discussion and action on 2024-2025 Liquor License Renewals*

Clerk Backus provided the following renewal applications for Branch Station, Country Visions, Tavern 10, Wildcats Longbranch Saloon, and The Golf Course on Branch River. Supervisor Jost moved to approve all liquor licenses renewals, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*Update on Truck*

Supervisor Jost reported on the progress of the truck.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

*Items for Next Month*

Manitowoc Fire and Rescue

Truck

*Vouchers*

Clerk Backus presented the June vouchers. Chairperson Stradal moved to approve the vouchers as presented for the month of May, seconded by Supervisor Jost. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

**NEXT MEETING DATES**

Monthly Meeting – July 10, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

There being no further discussion, Supervisor Wetenkamp moved to adjourn; seconded by Supervisor Jost, and the motion was adopted by acclamation. The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jessica Backus, Clerk/Treasurer