

TOWN OF MARTELL
March 18th, 2025 Meeting Minutes
W5581 800th Avenue
Spring Valley, WI 54767

The regular monthly Town Board meeting was called to order at 7:01 by Chairman Brad Taplin. Supervisor #1 John Worsing, Supervisor #2 Dale Brathol, Clerks Dale Olson & Robin Boles, Treasurer Heather Sitz and employee Bob Ortnier were also present. Planning Commission members and town residents were in attendance.

Approve February 11th 2025 Board Meeting Minutes: Motion by Worsing, 2nd by Brathol to approve minutes from February 11th, 2025 Town Board Meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: The board accepted the treasurer's report with February disbursements of \$1,126,192.43 and receipts of \$467,205.12. Total ending balance for all accounts as of February 28, 2025, was \$221,466.95.

Payment of bills: Motion by Worsing, 2nd by Brathol to pay the bills. All ayes. Motion carried.

Road Work: Bob posted road weight restrictions, removed stumps by the new box culvert, and is connecting with the DOT for 510th culvert. Brad is still waiting for the 690th box culvert, paid for in Dec. We need to ensure that cost share does not get lost. Brad will check into getting payment now.

Employee's report: In February, Bob had 39.5 hours of plowing & sanding, 8 hours road maintenance, 24 hours burning & brush work, 32 hours tree cutting and 72 hours shop work.

Discuss and Approve Driveway permits: None to discuss

Discuss Maintenance and Repair Issues: Plow truck blew a hydraulic hose and needed repairs. Also, discovered some bad wiring in the plow truck that will need repair. Purchased a new leaf blower.

Presentation by Spring Valley School District on School Referendum questions for Spring Election: Superintendent John Groh: Two questions on the ballot. If both approved \$115/year per \$100,000 in value - \$9.58/mo.

Discuss & decide Farmland Preservation Program recertification: Dale Brathol to complete the survey.

Discuss and Take Action on Town Planning Agency Resolution: The ordinance was reviewed and concerns were raised. Agreed to have Bob Loberg look it over to give legal recommendations and revisit at next meeting.

Discuss and take action on clarification of Martell's Animal Control Policy: Charged Town Clerk with determining contract terms and ensuring clarity around approval process for picking up stray animals in the Town of Martell with AC.

Inspections and Permits: Permits/Inspections: WARD, HOLLY, 7296 710TH ST, UNDERGROUND POOL, #B-25-250044

Certificates of Occupancy: 2/5/2025 6477 710TH AVE, #B-23-230819 TYPE P, 2/5/2025 5228 810TH AVE #B-24-240403 TYPE P

Pierce Co. permit: 2/7/2025, #471112025, MARY MADLAND, N8052 510th ST, SPRING VALLEY, WI 54767

Read correspondence: Pierce Co. Safety Training notice, Milestone Materials Info., WTA Pierce Co. Unit meeting notice, Notice of property revaluation (for Town Hall), Pipeline Training, Notice of Forest Tax Law land transfer, Stop payment notice, Tammy Baldwin notices, All-Croix check. Key to the new recycling building handed off to Dale Brathol.

Set date for April meeting: Motion by Brathol, 2nd by Worsing for the next Board meeting to be April 8th, 2024. All ayes. Motion carried.

Set date for Annual Town meeting: Established by state law, the third Tuesday in April, April 15th, @ 7 pm. Departing Board members will turn in all keys at this meeting.

Open discussion: Agreed to ask Bob Loberg to draft a resolution for the electorate to vote on the sale of the school house building at the annual meeting. Resolution would only grant the board the authority to potentially divest of the property but does not obligate them to do so. ARPA report due. Transfer of powers to Robin effective April 1 more or less. Add divestment of old recycling building to annual meeting agenda. Bob asked permission to purchase a trailer for the roller for \$200 plus repairs. Approved.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Worsing, 2nd by Brathol. All ayes, Motion carried. Respectfully submitted: Robin Boles, Clerk