

The Martell Town Board Monthly Meeting Minutes
from May 12th, 2026 at 7:00 PM
at The Martell Town Hall, located at W5581 800th Avenue, Spring Valley, WI 54767

1. Chairman Brathol opened the Board of Review at 7 PM.
2. Chairman Brathol adjourned the Board of Review until 6 PM on June 15th. Open Book will be held June 2nd.
3. Chairman Brathol called the regular meeting to order at 7:01
4. Roll Call: All board members present
5. Verification of Public Notice: Affidavit on file
6. Kidd made a motion to approve the Agenda, Kam 2nd, all in favor, motion carried
7. Kidd made a motion to approve the 4/14 meeting minutes, Kam 2nd, all in favor, motion carried
8. Received the April Treasurer's Reports - Beginning: \$193,653.43 Ending: \$205,755.21 Received Lottery Credit and 2nd Q Transportation aid
9. Kaminski made a motion to approve the April and early May disbursements, Kidd 2nd, all in favor, motion carries.
10. Receive and discuss chip seal bids: 1) Scotts Construction: \$159,891 and 2) Fahrner: \$190,182; Kaminski made a motion to accept the bid from Scott's for 3 of the 4 segments quoted: 870th included, 690th st segment to be omitted, 730th segment to be included inclusive of the 490th St segment as confirmed by Craig, and the downtown Martell road segments in the total amount of \$159,891, Kidd 2nd, all in favor, motion carried
11. Discuss Road Plan: 690th Ave Culvert: record and track condition, check with county on cost-share option; 780th bridge: request spray foam bid from state
12. Newsletter: Kidd will write the letter, content by 6/5, distribution week of 6/15
13. Approved driveway permits: B Mergens 810th Ave & 590th St; J Diercks, Cty Rd N & 690th Ave, needs "Hidden Driveway" sign
14. April Building Permits: 2025 Investments, Inc, Jacobs, Steve: 6597 610th St Electrical, Res \$7,500; Karras, Jeffrey: 8052 510th St Fireplace, \$6,189
15. Planning Commission: Mary Brand: group to mitigate the impact of large scale manure hauling and Rich Olson, Trailblazers: 650th St/Hwy 29 CUP request to operate a sawmill, PC did not have enough information to make a determination. The board won't sign until the PC reviews all materials, possibly at next PC meeting on 5/26; Road Ordinance follow-up: send key points to attorney for drafting. Plan for public presentation and hearing of draft at June 9th Board meeting.
 - a. EAASOC: Hiring Operations Coordinator for the ambulance service, vehicle inspections went well. New water filter necessary at the hall. New ambulance is coming soon.
 - b. Employee's report: 176 hours in April. Grading & patching, blade patching next week. Fixed washed out shoulders on 770th, fixing damage from snow plowing. Dust control mid June.
 - c. Cemetery Report: Memorial day we will have flags on the veterans graves. Looking into options for green burials.
16. Read correspondence: CCF Bank Cemetery Fund Maturity date 5/14; 10 days to renew, Pierce Co Hwy Dept: Martell 2026 Bridge Inspection Reports, Dedicated Animal Control: Mobile Microchipping clinic offerings, Rural Mutual Annual WCP Audit, Shadow Valley Excavating Quote
17. Set next meeting date(s): July Regular Town Board Meeting, July 14, 2026
18. No Public Comments
19. Discuss next meetings' agenda items: Road ordinance public presentation
20. Adjourn: Kidd made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Kaminski 2nd, all in favor, motion carried
21. Chairman Brathol announced that the Board would go into closed session to discuss the Town Patrolman Contract Renewal. Kaminski made a motion to go into closed session, Kidd 2nd,
 - a. Brathol- aye
 - b. Kidd - aye
 - c. Kaminski - Aye
 - d. All in favor, motion carried