

TOWN OF MARTELL
December 10th, 2024 Meeting Minutes
W5581 800th Avenue
Spring Valley, WI 54767

The regular monthly Town Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Chairman Brad Taplin. Supervisor #1 John Worsing, Supervisor #2 Dale Brathol, Clerk Dale Olson, Treasurer Heather Sitz and employee Bob Ortner were also present. Other residents were also in attendance.

Approve October 8th Board Meeting Minutes: Motion by Worsing, 2nd by Brathol to approve minutes from the November 12th, 2024 Town Board meeting, Public Budget hearing and Special Town Board Meetings. All ayes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: The board accepted the treasurer's report with November disbursements of \$19,464.13 and receipts of \$62,302.63. Ending balance in all accounts as of November 30st, 2024, was \$224,466.59. The Pillar Bank Cemetery CD will expire in December and will be replaced by a CD at CCF Bank where our current accounts are.

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

Road Work: Culvert for 690th will be done next year. An estimate for the box culvert on 870th Ave was received.

Employee's report: There was sign vandalism/theft on the intersection of 870th and Co. Road Y. Bob had 95 hours of road maintenance, 16 hours of tree cutting, 4 hours sanding and 32 hours shop work.

Discuss and Approve Driveway permits: No permits were issued.

Schedule the town caucus: The town caucus is scheduled to be held on January 14th, 2025 following the regular Town Board Meeting.

Discuss maintenance and repair issues: Town Hall belfry, bell and roof: Tim Wiff expressed interest in retaining the bell to be mounted in the Martell Cemetery. Brad will get bids on removal and repair of the roof. Martell school Roof: The sale of the Martell School building will be investigated. The Town attorney will be contacted for options.

Discuss and Take action on the Recycling Center Building: Supervisor Worsing provided his findings and a decision was made on a building to purchase from the three options. Motion by Worsing, 2nd by Brathol to purchase a 10'x12' finished shed from "Tuff Shed". All ayes. Motion carried.

Inspections and Permits: All-Croix permits:

MELISSA DEYO, W6124 CTY RD N, BELDENVILLE – RESIDENTIAL - NEW SINGLE FAMILY

TRAVIS HINTZ, W7091 810TH AVE, RIVER FALLS, SOLAR OTHER BUILDING PERMITS

Pierce Co. Permits:

Name	Mailing Address	Property Addr	Sanitary -Type
Sandy Roen	W6524 270th St, River Falls, WI 54022	Same	Rpl Mound

Read correspondence: Town Advocacy Council solicitation, Tractor Central coupon, IRS mailings and checks for 941 reconciliation, All-Croix Insp. Greeting card, WI DNR Managed Forest Designation, Rent for Town Hall, WI DOR Shared Revenue notification, Title Co. certificate of no claims, Pierce Pepin Capital Credit check.

Set date for January Meeting: Motion by Worsing, 2nd by Brathol for the next Board meeting to be Jan. 14th, 2025. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Open for Discussion: Brad explained to attendees that Waste Management provides the Town with three dumpsters, but only charges for disposal of two dumpsters.

Move into closed session to discuss employee compensation: Motion by Brathol, 2nd by Worsing to move into closed session. All ayes. Motion carried.

Return to open session to take action on closed session: Motion by Worsing, 2nd by Brathol return to open session. All ayes. Motion carried.

Take Action on compensation for Recycling Center Employees: Motion by Worsing, 2nd by Brathol for the hourly wage for Recycling center employees to be raised from \$12.50 hr. to \$18.00 hr starting Jan. 1st, 2025. All ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Brathol, 2nd by Worsing. All ayes, Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Dale Olson, Clerk