

The Martell Town Board Monthly Meeting Minutes
December 16th, 2025 at 7:00 PM at
The Martell Town Hall, W5581 800th Avenue, Spring Valley, WI 54767

1. Call to Order: Chairman Brathol called the meeting to order at 7:00
2. Roll Call: All Board Members present
3. Verification of Public Notice: Verified by affidavit
4. Kidd made a motion to approve the Agenda, Kaminski 2nd, all in favor, motion carries
5. Kidd made a motion to approve the 11/11 minutes from Public Budget Hearing & Special Elector Meeting to Approve the 2025 Levy & 2026 Budget, Kaminski, suggested adding a note clarifying the approval process: "Board acknowledges that while a town vote was taken to approve the budget, the Board's official vote to approve the budget will take place at the December Board meeting. Kidd made a motion to approve this amendment to the minutes, Kaminski 2nd, all in favor, motion carries
6. Kidd made a motion to approve 11/11 Board Meeting minutes, Kaminski 2nd, all in favor, motion carries
7. Kaminski made a motion to approve 11/18 Board of Review minutes, Kidd 2nd, all in favor, motion carries
8. Receive November Treasurer's Reports: Ending balances: Checking, \$6219.21; MM \$158,250.76.
9. Kidd made a motion to approve the November Disbursements, Kaminski 2nd, all in favor, motion carries
10. Kaminski made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10 to Approve the 2026 Budget, Kidd 2nd, all in favor, motion carries
11. Kidd made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-11 to Amend the 2025 Budget, Kaminski 2nd, all in favor, motion carries
12. Chairman Brathol nominated the list of poll workers provided by the clerk as follows: Beth Kidd, Dale Brathol, Lori Close, Lori Larson, Mary Hopp, Nancy Brooks, Sheila Eggen, Sonja Heiniger, Ann Drewiske, Dale Olson, Sheila Olson, Michele Kurrelmeyer, Arianna Bateman, Eryn Maloney, Lynn Huiskamp-Esch, Monica Brooks. Kidd made a motion to appoint the poll workers as listed, Kaminski 2nd, all in favor, motion carries
13. Kaminski made a motion to renumber Resolution 2025-06 Authorizing Participation in DMAWEM PDFRG Program to 2025-09 Authorizing Participation in DMAWEM PDFRG , Kidd 2nd, all in favor, motion carries
14. Discuss Road work: Guard Rails will be needed at 870th culvert; Large amount of manure spilled on the road then cleaned up; Road damage on 780th from manure trucks. All to be addressed in the spring.
15. Discuss and approve driveway permits: No Driveway Permits received
16. Receive Building Permits Report: No Building Permits for November
17. Receive Pierce County Land Use Permits: No Land Use Permits for November
18. Receive Planning Commission: Xcel Energy Staging Station update: CUP given Town approval
19. Receive Employee's report: 162 hours, new garage door is in, John Deere fuel gauge needs repair
20. Receive Cemetery Report: Binder updates forthcoming. Kidd is grateful for this information.
21. Discuss Maintenance and repair issues: None to address
22. Read correspondence: CITRIC Meeting Notice, WTA 2026 District Meeting Registration & Dues notice, DNR Millrate Calcs for PILT, LRIP Correspondence, 2026 General Transportation Aids, Sales Quotes, November Shared Revenue Distribution, Pierce Co Recycling Guide Updates, MFL Renewal
23. Set date(s) for next meeting(s): January 13th & February 3rd
24. Public Comment:
 - a. Fred Lehmann: PC looking to figure out next meeting, Robin explained posting dates
 - b. Brad Taplin: asked why use LRIP funds vs. 50/50 county option for 690th culvert. Engineering fees will possibly take us over the 50/50 payout with the county. Suggested we also look at the next culvert west as well. Fred Lehmann asked: How vulnerable is it? Does it need a weight restriction? Brad said not yet. Kaminski explained that we will consider both and accept the best option for the town but we are looking to learn more about LRIP and ARIP (local & Ag road funding) through the process as well.
 - c. Dale Olson: Bob and Steve are doing a good job plowing.
25. Discuss next meetings' agenda items: Kidd to address the nuisance ordinance, Kaminski to discuss LRIP / CITRIC notes, begin discussion around a Fee Schedule and Discuss contract with LLO for legal
26. Kidd made a motion to adjourn, Kaminski 2nd all in favor, motion carries