



Town Board Meeting; Monday, May 11, 2026

***Minutes subject to corrections/changes until approved by Town Board.**

BOARD PRESENT: Chair Kevin Timm, Supervisors Chad Morris & Daren Schieldt

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Jill Murphy & Treasurer Danny Kjos

Call to Order: Chair Timm called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Notices were posted.

Minutes: Motion made by Morris/Schildt to approve minutes of the April 13 monthly and April 27 special, town board mtgs. **Motion** carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's April financial report was presented. Motion by Morris/Schildt to approve. **Motion** carried.

Shelby Fire Dept: Chief Holinka not in attendance. No updates noted.

Starr Vuchetich, W3809 County Rd. M; variance for current porch addition: Vuchetich handed out packets/pictures of property and construction. Stated this all started with wanting to screen in porch due to a variety of issues; outside wall causing freezing water, wind, structural damage, rodent nesting underneath. Did not know that permits were needed. 13" of concrete was poured and a 10x12 porch addition was added. Was told by county they will need 2 variances to keep the added structure and enclose the porch. The Board of Adjustment mtg. will take place on June 15, 2026. County will consider any town recommendations. Timm read copy of the variance request from the previous home owners for the original added porch. Timm stated that since the county will have to make a change to their original variance and being that the property is in the county's right-of-way and does not affect a town rd.; it is in the best interest for the town not to have an opinion on this issue. Motion by Timm to not weigh in on existing variance or any change of variance. Questions asked by resident Jean Donley; How long do variances last, why are building permits for the project or others in the town are not obtained beforehand, shouldn't the county tell everyone that permits are needed, does the town tell residents that move to/or who are in the town, that building permits are needed. Timm stated he did not know the answer to the variance time span. The clerk stated county zoning informs everyone to check with the town to see what building permits are needed. Almost every town within La Crosse County require building permits; this is not the case thru all of the state. Murphy stated this problem persists and the town addresses the issues when notified. The town has building permit information on the town website, sent thru emails, and posted on the town Facebook page.

Valley View Rd. right-of-way update: Timm stated the county's recommendation in order for the homeowners to be able to get their septic systems replaced and to get Steve Mader's home out of the right-of-way, would be to narrow the right-of-way from 66' down to 50', thus, this would require the town to vacate 8' of the road on either side. The process requires 30-day advanced notices and publication of meeting. Costs of the project and distribution of costs would be established at the public hearing. Timm and Murphy will work on this process with the intent to keep it moving forward.

Roads & Equipment: Bids just received today from Mathy Construction for Schmaltz/Valley View rd. (full mill & repave) @ \$219,000 with culverts, catch basin, and excavating costing an additional \$20,000. Work will begin in Aug./Sept. Road work on Valley Wood Springs rd. will have to be pushed off a couple of years as the bid came in @ \$412,000; this exceeds the annual 150,000-250,00 budget. Scott's Construction declined to bid as company is too busy. Money to pay the cost of the projects will come from the rd. budget and monies that were budgeted to buy the county building; which the town is no longer purchasing.

Citizen's Concerns: Dennis Gerke is wanting to correct the property lines with his farm and residence. Will be put on a future agenda when resident has CSM/materials to present to the board. Pat Kammel has asked if there could be "Dead End" or no thru traffic signs placed at the beginning and at the end of Kammel Coulee Rd. Noted that because of NN rd. being closed, cars are going down that rd. and trying to pass thru the spillway. This has been requested before, but was never done. Timm stated he will oversee this.

* **Mobile Home Park Renewals** (June 1, 2026 - May 31, 2027) for Golden Valley, Brookview, and Coulee Manor will come before the board for approval at a future mtg. date when all materials are received.

Motion made by Morris/Schildt to adjourn. **Motion** carried. Adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jill Murphy, Town Clerk

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