

**TOWN OF MANITOWOC RAPIDS
MINUTES FROM AUGUST 12, 2026**

The August 12, 2026 meeting of the Town of Manitowoc Rapids meeting was called to order by Chairman Stradal at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 8624 CTH JJ, Manitowoc, WI.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called, and members present were: Josh Stradal-Chairman, Tom Wetenkamp-Supervisor 1, John Jost-Supervisor 2, Constable Jim Wiesner, Jeremy Stradal-Road Foreman, and Jessica Backus-Clerk/Treasurer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Stradal presented the minutes from the July 13, 2026 meetings. Supervisor Wetenkamp moved to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Supervisor Jost. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Chairman Stradal presented the August 12, 2026 agenda. Supervisor Jost added discussion for park sign. Supervisor Wetenkamp moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Jost. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Clerk Backus presented the cash flow report. Supervisor Jost moved to approve the cash flow report, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Stradal opened public comment at 6:32 p.m.

No one present wished to speak, subsequently Chairman Stradal closed public input at 6:32 p.m.

REPORTS

Constable – No report.

Highway – Road Foreman Stradal reported on salt delivery and ditch cleaning.

NEW BUSINESS

Fire Department Reports

The board reviewed the reports. No action was taken.

Driveway Regulations Ordinance

Supervisor Wetenkamp moved to enact Ordinance 2026-4 an amendment to Ordinance 2024-1 Driveway Regulations, seconded Supervisor Jost. Upon discussion and vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Highway Construction Standards Ordinance

Chairman Stradal moved to rescind the motion to remove 5.2 from Ordinance 2026-3 from last month’s meeting, seconded by Supervisor Jost. Upon discussion and vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Liquor License-Branch River Estates LLC

Supervisor Jost moved to grant Branch Rivers Estates a liquor license once they provide the seller permit number to the Clerk, seconded by Chairman Stradal. Upon discussion and vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Conard Mailbox

The board discussed the Conard mailbox issue. Per the Town’s Ordinance 2019-2, the town is not liable for any damages to any mailbox or its support arising out of any highway maintenance activities performed on behalf of the Town.

Landfill Repairs

The Board discussed the DNR's recommendations on the landfill repairs. The Road Foreman will take care of the well covers.

Gene Ber Lane Transfer

No discussion.

2027 Budget Planning

No discussion.

Town's Sign at the Branch Ball Park

Supervisor Jost provided an update on a new sign.

OTHER BUSINESS

Items for Next Month

Gene Ber Lane

Landfill Repairs

Budget

Vouchers

Clerk Backus presented August vouchers. Chairman Stradal moved to approve the vouchers as presented for the month of July, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING DATES

Monthly Meeting – September 9, 2026

There being no further discussion, Supervisor Jost moved to adjourn seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp, and the motion was adopted by acclamation. The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Backus, Clerk/Treasurer