

**TOWN OF MANITOWOC RAPIDS  
MEETING MINUTES FROM AUGUST 13, 2025**

The August 13, 2025 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, and Jessica Backus-Clerk/Treasurer. Constable Jim Wiesner and Jeremy Stradal-Road Foreman were excused.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chairman Stradal presented the minutes from the July 9, 2025 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 13, 2025 agenda. Supervisor Wetenkamp moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Jost. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Clerk Backus presented the cash flow report. Supervisor Wetenkamp moved to approve the cash flow report, seconded by Supervisor Jost. 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 ditching was in process and 50 tons of salt was delivered.

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Discussion and action regarding Sprang Property*

Chairman Stradal reported complaints regarding the Sprang property spraying the town right away for weeds. The spray used has caused the ground to be bare and when it rains the ground is washing away into the neighbors' yard. Chairman Stradal request the clerk to send a letter requiring him to reseed the town right away immediately or the town will at his cost.

*Discussion and action regarding Just Property*

Chairman Stradal reported complaints regarding the Just property violating the Town weed ordinance. He requested the clerk to send a letter requiring him to cut the property and comply with the Town ordinance.

*Discussion and action regarding Chapter 9 Section 9.04 Regulation of Fireworks*

Chairman Stradal reported complaints regarding fireworks incident. Chairman Stradal moved, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp to amend the Regulations for Fireworks to add the use of fireworks would be allowed the Friday and Saturday before the 4<sup>th</sup>, the Friday and Saturday after the 4<sup>th</sup>, and the July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, not past 10:30 p.m. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

*Discussion and action regarding updating the Town's Code of Ordinance*

Chairman Stradal presented the schedule fee ordinance. Chairman Stradal would like the clerk to request the attorney add in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> violations for the regular violations that do not have them listed.

*Discussion and action regarding Recycling Center*

Supervisor Wetenkamp reported an issue of a town resident arriving at the recycling center with a trailer full of shingles on a 95 degree day and requested the workers to unload it. Supervisor Jost reported residents have to unload their own garbage and if the resident can't accomplish the task, then they have to find someone to help. Chairman Stradal request the clerk to review the employee handbook to verify the recycling center employees should not assist residents with garbage. Supervisor Jost suggested that 55-gallon bags and no-town bags would require two garbage stickers.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*Discussion and action on Noise Ordinance Violation at 4151 Deer Lane*

Chairman Stradal explained the board was still working on the ordinance and will continue to keep track of the complaints.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

*Items for Next Month*

Property Issues

Ordinance Review

Recycling Center Stickers

Speed Limit on S Union Rd

*Vouchers*

Chairman Stradal presented the 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 10, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Stradal moved to adjourn; seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp, and the motion was adopted by acclamation. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jessica Backus, Clerk/Treasurer