

TOWN OF MANITOWOC RAPIDS MINUTES FROM JANUARY 14, 2026

The January 14, 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, Jeremy Stradal-Road Foreman, Jessica Backus-Clerk/Treasurer, and Constable Jim Wiesner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Stradal presented the minutes from the December 10, 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 January 14, 2026 agenda. 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 – Constable Wiesner provided a report.

Highway – Road Foreman Stradal reported on plowing snow and sanding.

NEW BUSINESS

Fire/EMS Department Reports

Chairman Stradal reported the reports are in the packets. The board was to review the packets and bring any questions for the fire departments to the next meeting.

Streetlights at Branch Dry Hydrant

Chairman Stradal reported the Branch FD plans to remove the dry hydrant due to lack of use. Once the streetlight above is removed, it will no longer be paid for by the Branch FD. He asked the board if we would like to take over the payment to keep the streetlight active. Discussion followed. Supervisor Wetenkamp moved, seconded by Supervisor Jost to keep the streetlight active and take over the light. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Joint Powers Agreement

Chairman Stradal moved, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp to accept the Joint Powers Agreement from Manitowoc County Joint Dispatch Center. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously. Clerk Backus will forward the signed agreement to Manitowoc County Emergency Management.

Resolution 2026-1 State IA Program

Chairman Stradal moved, seconded by Supervisor Jost to adopt Resolution 2026-1 Authorizing Letter of

Support for State Individual Assistance Program. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously. Clerk Backus will forward the signed agreement to Manitowoc County Emergency Management.

OTHER BUSINESS

Items for Next Month

Fire Department Reports

Vouchers

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

NEXT MEETING DATES

Monthly Meeting – February 11, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

There being no further discussion, Supervisor Wetenkamp moved to adjourn; seconded by Supervisor Jost, and the motion was adopted by acclamation. The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Backus, Clerk/Treasurer