

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JACKSON TOWN BOARD FEBRUARY 13, 2025

- 1. Call to order The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hartwig at 7:00pm with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk Eichner confirmed that the meeting was properly posted, and the Media was notified.
- 2. Roll call Present: Chairman Bob Hartwig, Supervisors Dave Behringer, Joe Kufahl (arrived 7:20pm), Marcy Bishop and Steve Fischer. Also present were Attorney Paul Alexy, Sheriff Deputy Kyle Wright, Fire Battalion Chief Eric Weiss, Zoning Administrator Jim Micech, Treasurer Jean Wills, and Clerk Bob Eichner.
- **3. Agenda approval –** Motion by Bishop, second by Fischer, suspend the agenda and consider Item 19, the Treasurer's Report, after resident comments. Motion carried 4-0.
- **4. Approval of the minutes -** Motion by Bishop, second by Behringer to approve the January 9, 2025 Town Board meeting minutes. Motion carried 4-0.
- **5. Resident comment on any agenda item –** The American Legion requested to be placed on the agenda for March to consider allowing the Legion to place a display cabinet in the upper hall to display memorabilia recently discovered. There were no other comments.
- **19. Treasurer's report.** The treasurer's report and facility rental use report were presented. Wills reported that the Town portion of the 2024 Tax Collection is completed, and settlement checks have been distributed. We had one check with insufficient funds.
- **6.** Washington County Sheriff's Department Report There have been 139 calls since January 1st. Very few accidents in the recent storm.
- 7. Jackson Fire Department Report There were 131 calls in January, 21 EMS calls and 7 fire calls in the Town. With a lack of snow there has been an increase in grass fires.
- **8.** Consideration of Draft Ordinance J-25-001 The Ordinance will repeal and replace Ordinance J-02-002. The new ordinance will include requirements for insurance, fee reimbursement for extraordinary circumstances.
- 9. Possible revisions to the Town of Jackson Liquor Licensing and Operator Licensing Ordinances

 The current Ordinance references the State statute. The proposed ordinance would codify sections of the Statute in the ordinance. This will be presented for consideration at the March meeting.
- 10. Consideration of Pleasant Valley Road Bridge Railing Repair The repairs are estimated at \$178,000. After discussion, the Board consensus, is that this bridge be replaced with a more culvert-like structure. Clerk Eichner will speak to the DNR about options for replacement and report at the march meeting.
- 11. Consideration of forming a committee for the review and possible revisions to the Town of Jackson Employment Procedures and Regulations last revised in 2011 Motion by Bishop, second by Behringer, to form a Personnel Subcommittee for amending the Employment Procedures and Regulations. Members shall be Chairman Hartwig, Kufahl, Fischer and Eichner. Motion carried 5-0.
- **12.** Consideration of increasing bankable Compensatory Time for Overtime from 40 hours to 80 hours Motion by Fischer, second by Kufahl to increase the bankable compensatory time to 80 hours.
- **13.** Consideration of forming a committee for the Recodification of Town of Jackson Ordinances No action taken. Eichner will obtain cost estimates for assistance with codification.



- 14. Consideration of obtaining updated versions of the Town of Jackson Zoning Map and the 2050 Comprehensive Land Use Plan Map No action taken. Eichner will explore costs for new maps from SEWRPC.
- 15. Consideration of reimbursement for loss of or damage to personal items.
 - **a.** Reimbursement for clothing damaged during the Transfer Station accident on 12-7-24 Motion by Kufahl, second by Fischer, to reimburse Mike Ortiz, \$150.00 for replace clothing damaged in the Transfer Station accident on December 7, 2024. Motion carried 5-0.
 - **b. Reimbursement for missing personal Town Hall Christmas decorations –** Motion by Kufahl, second by Fischer, to reimburse Clerk Eichner \$112.50 for compensation for lost ornaments in the Christmas decorations in the Upper Hall. Motion carried 5-0.
- **16.** Consideration of purchase of portable pruning equipment and associated protective equipment for Highways and Parks Motion by Fischer, second by Bishop to spend up to \$3,600 for the purchase of new chainsaws and pruners for the Highway Department and Parks. Motion carried 5-0.
- **17. Consideration of the 2025-2026 State Salt Supply Contract –** Clerk Eichner requested guidance on quantities for ordering salt for the 2025-26 State salt supply contract. No action taken. This item will be considered at the March meeting.
- **18. Washington County Board report.** Honored 2 highway workers and 3 Sheriff Deputies for years of service, and one jail deputies for retirement. County Clerk pointed out that the Town of Jackson had the highest voter turnout 98.3% in the County. Bob received a certificate for 10 years of service as Supervisor.
- 20. Buildings report No report.
- 21. Grounds report No report.
- 22. Weed Commissioner's report No report.
- **23. Transfer Station report –** We got a new quote from Riley Fitzgerald for new cameras that is about \$1500 more than his previous quote a total of \$7720.
- **24. Highway Superintendent/Equipment Manager report –** Replaced brakes on truck 12. The leaf springs also need work. The west wall of the shop is ready for painting. Cut brush and trees on Cedar Creek Road. The chipper broke down. Jackson Welding is coming out to fix it. The chipper blades need to be sharpened. Getting 100 ton of salt delivered early next week. The Tiger mower is getting new tires in early March from Perfect Circle cost \$4400. Purchased a used 10-ton jack.
- **25. Highway/Chairman's report –** Greg Denker plowed last storm because Kevin E was sick. There is more room in the shop because the plow trucks are being stored with the wing plows up.
- **26. Zoning Administrator's report –** Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School was granted a variance for a 100 ft flagpole in the front yard setback. Micech has made contact with owners on Division road involving excessive cars. Also dealing with hoarder on CTH P. the junk vehicles appear to be gone. A trucking company is looking to use a vacant lot at the southeast corner of Pleasant Valley Road and CTHP. The zoning might need to be changed and residential neighborhood next to the site may be a concern. Micech will be out of town March 4 to March 11.
- **27. Clerk's report –** Spring primary is Tuesday, February 18th. Expecting about 40% turnout is expected. March agenda will include resolutions accepting the County grants. March/April are district meetings with Board of Review training. Road School is April 21-23 in the Dells.
- 28. Communications and announcements None.



- **29. Review of bills and authorization of payment –** Motion by Bishop, second by Fischer, to approve the vouchers. Motion carried 5-0.
- **30. Adjournment –** Motion by Bishop, second by Behringer, to adjourn at 10:12pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Robert M Eichner Town Clerk

Robert H Hartwig
Chairman