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Town Board Meeting Minutes – **APPROVED**

Date: Tuesday, February 3, 2026

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601

Present: Chairperson Tim Candahl, Supervisors Renee Knutson, Tim Ehler, Tim Padesky and Marlene Heal; Administrator Christina Peterson, Clerk Fortune Berg, and Treasurer Melissa Erdman.

Excused/Absent: None.

Attendance List: Erin Duffer and Travis Key (LAPC), Jack Zabrowski (MRRCP), Rhonda Peterson (800 West Ave N), Robin Schmidt (No Address Provided), Dennis Jacobson (La Crosse County Board), Gary and Dawn Hogum (No Address Provided), Steve Strasser (N120 Highway 35), Diane Groth (N501 Roesner Road), Vicki and Tom Ciokiewicz (W6296 Wendtland Road), and Joe Hauser (N2095 County Road F).

1. Meeting called to order by Candahl at 5:02 p.m.
2. Minutes from 01/20/2026. Motion by Knutson to approve minutes from 01/20/2026 with clarifications, second by Heal. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Bills Payable. Motion by Heal to accept closed invoices for \$32,996.44, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously. Heal asked about deer control, Erdman noted it's the disposal fee for deer that are roadkill on Town roads. Heal asked about Hazardous Waste, Erdman noted it is a County wide cost for operation and maintenance of the Household Hazardous Waste program. Motion by Heal to pay open invoices for \$67,336.24, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Treasurer's Report. No questions.
5. Public Comment. None.
6. La Crosse County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update – Jack Zabrowski. Zabrowski reviewed the update to Hazard Mitigation Plan that relates to Shelby. Discussion on the plan and needs of the Town. Zabrowski noted timeline for completion is before 2026-year end.
7. La Crosse County Safe Streets for All. Travis Key (LAPC) reviewed the safety action plan for streets under the LAPC area. The plan is set to be adopted in Fall 2026.
8. ATV/UTV Ordinance Discussion. Peterson reviewed PASER ratings and La Crosse County Ordinance. Discussion on average daily traffic, speed and La Crosse County Ordinance. Discussion on guidelines set forth in the La Crosse County Ordinance and State Statutes. Dennis Jacobsen reviewed the concerns and discussion related to ATV/UTV when La Crosse County implemented their ordinance. Discussion on enforcement and regulations/requirements.

Public Comment:

- a. Steve Strasser. Commented on the statistics for accidents for ATV/UTVs. Expressed his support.
- b. Gary Hogum. Expressed his support.
- c. Tom Ciokiewicz. Expressed his support.
9. Application to Exceed Two-Dog Limit: Hass/Michel (W5229 Boma Road) and Dahl (4009 Markle Road). Berg reported no issues from Humane Society. Motion by Ehler to approve applications to exceed 2-dog limit, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Tax Overpayments. Motion by Heal to return overpayments in the amount of \$6,041.73, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
11. Authorize Bidding for Old Town Hall Road Reconstruction. Peterson noted LRIP funding was received and this project was called out in the budget. Peterson is seeking input on additions for things like guardrail or other aspects of the project that the Board wants to make sure are included when bids for the project are obtained. Motion by Padesky to approve bidding for Old Town Hall Road reconstruction, second by Ehler. Motion carried unanimously.
12. Authorize Bidding for 2026 Chipseal Project. Peterson reviewed the proposed roads for chip sealing in 2026. Discussion on roads to chipseal. Motion by Knutson to approve the list and add Gronemus Road to the bid sheet as "Project 9", second by Padesky. Motion carried unanimously.
13. Administrator and Public Works Report. Peterson reported...
 - a. Review of Emplify Service Contract (Pre-Employment and Employee Assistant Program (EAP)). Noted the services available to the Town Staff, Employees and Boards and their families.
 - b. La Crosse County Sheriff meeting on 2/10 to discuss Ordinance enforcement and a plan for staffing Shelby.
 - c. 2/17 Bolton and Menk coming to give updates on the Millstream and Mormon Creek Watershed Studies.
 - d. Berg working on Developer's Agreement for Featherstone Development. Draft to be reviewed with the Preliminary Plat.
 - e. Peterson spoke with Project Manager for Goose Island Trail/Highway 35 and stated that there would be a public info meeting on 2/17 at noon at All Star Lanes for the project.
 - f. FLAP Project (USFW) is being re-evaluated. Negotiating with funding and DNR and staying coordinated with DOT Highway 35 project.
 - g. Public Works is plowing and mixing salt and sand.
 - h. Public Works waiting on Kish to wire the brine tank to the building soon.
 - i. Peterson and Public Works meeting with the GIS consultant to work on map updates.
 - j. Arbor Hills lift station upgrade is ongoing. Project includes installing a new motor and rebuilding 2 pumps.

- k. Public Works installed a temporary airline for Fire Department for their air brakes. The permanent line froze and will be inspected and replaced, if needed, when the weather warms up.
 - l. Fixed the mowing arm and will begin mowing shoulders in the next week or so.
 - m. Public Works will excavate sites for benches in parks when it warms up.
 - n. Discussion on upcoming meeting dates and times: 2/17 @ 8:30 a.m., 3/3 @ 5:00 p.m., 3/17 @ 8:30 a.m. (work session with Public Works and ATV/UTV discussion) and 3/31 @ 5:00 p.m.
14. Chairperson and Supervisors Report.
- a. Candahl will be attending City of La Crosse Public Works committee meeting to take notes and gather information. Peterson and Candahl will continue to reach out to City officials related to intergovernmental cooperation.
 - b. Heal asked who plows the sidewalk on Highway 35/Highway 14-61, discussion on the responsibility of the Town versus the City of La Crosse.
15. Fire Department Report. None.
16. Adjournment. Motion by Knutson to adjourn at 7:29 p.m., second by Heal. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Regular Meeting on February 17, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. at Town Hall
Respectfully Submitted by Fortune Berg, Clerk