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Town Board Meeting Minutes – APPROVED

Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2026
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Location: 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601
Present: Chairperson Tim Candahl, Supervisors Marlene Heal, Renee Knutson, Tim Padesky; Administrator Christina Peterson, Treasurer Melissa Erdman, Clerk Fortune Berg.
Excused/Absent: Supervisor Tim Ehler.
Attendance List: Dan Odeen (Public Works), Joe Hauser (N2095 County Road F), Andrew Peters, and Darcie Breidel (Mt. La Crosse).

1. Meeting called to order by Candahl at 5:00 p.m.
2. Minutes from 10/06/2026. Motion by Knutson to approve minutes from 10/06/2026, second by Heal. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Bills Payable. Motion by Heal to accept closed invoices for $14,477.96, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Knutson to pay open invoices for $126,518.16, second by Padesky. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Public Comment. None.
5. Rezone Request - Mt. La Crosse – W5549 Old Town Hall Road (Parcels 11-2006-0, 11-2007-0, 11-2012-0, 11-2011-0). Peterson noted the request and discussion at the Planning Commission meeting. Motion by Knutson to recommend approval to La Crosse County for the rezone request, second by Padesky. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Conditional Use Permit Request - Mt. La Crosse – W5549 Old Town Hall Road (Parcels 11-2006-0, 11-2007-0, 11-2012-0, 11-2011-0). Motion by Heal to recommend approval to La Crosse County, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Accept Planning Commission Resignation. Motion by Padesky to accept resignation of Elliott Bujan, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Ordinance 2.09 Update. Discussion on updates, Knutson noted typos. Motion by Heal to amend ordinance 2.09, second by Padesky. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Universal Quote for Truck Buildout. Peterson reviewed the quote received. Discussion on timeline for the buildout. Motion by Heal to approve quote from Universal not to exceed $131,183.00, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Public Works/SD2 Pickup Purchase. Odeen noted the need for a vehicle for Public Works. Discussion on the purchase, Peterson noted the purchase is budgeted for 50/50 split between the Sanitary District and the Town of Shelby. Motion by Heal to purchase the 2026 Chevy Colorado for $39,073.50, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Social Media Policy. Peterson noted the need for a policy for social media as a town government. Peterson noted the comments/messages shared on the town Facebook page and the requirements for retention. Peterson proposes to have social media be a one-way communication, with a generic response advising the sender to contact Town Hall. Motion by Padesky to accept Administrator recommendation and use social media as a one-way communication engine to the public, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
12. Election Emergency Contingency Plan. Berg reviewed the draft plan. Motion by Padesky to approve Election Day Emergency Plan, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
13. Administrator and Public Works Report. Peterson reported…
    a. Crew working on patching, wedging, and paving; and picking up brush.
    b. Hydrant flushing for Fall being completed.
    c. $26,700.00 made from the auction, ended today.
    d. Nolop Estates sign is up.
    e. Butterfly Trail grant was awarded through the Blufflands and La Crosse County. $35,000.00 project, 50% of the funding is from the grant and 50% is the Town's responsibility.
    f. Fire Department is having a working day on Saturday to clear out the Coulee Avenue building. Peterson noted office furniture donated for the new building.
    g. Peterson noted cleanup of the electric system at Coulee Avenue building before the remodel begins, Padesky Electric completing the cleanup for ~$6,000.00.
    h. November 4th meeting is the next meeting at 5:00 p.m. Reminder it is a Wednesday because the Election is on Tuesday. Peterson noted Bolton and Menk and Ehlers will be reporting at that meeting.
    i. November 17th at 5:00 p.m. is a regular meeting and will be followed by the public hearing for the budget at 6:00 p.m.
    j. Received five applicants thus far for the Public Works Superintendent position.
14. Chairperson and Supervisors Report.
    a. Candahl reported the ribbon cutting for Goose Island Connector Trail went well. Peterson noted the maintenance agreement for the trail; she can bring a policy for maintenance to the board for review and approval in the future.
    b. Featherstone Rise development pavement inspection will be done this week.
    c. Knutson noted last location for walking trail maps were installed, three locations, Wedgewood Valley Park, Pammel Creek Road across from Trane, and Pammel Creek; positive feedback received from frequent park users.
    d. Candahl noted concern on Ferndale Lane with overgrowth, working with law enforcement.
    e. Candahl noted that the remaining fire truck is posted for sale on Bristol Mountain.
15. Clerk's Report. No action taken.

16. Adjournment. Motion by Knutson to adjourn at 6:05 p.m., second by Padesky. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting on November 4, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. at Town Hall
Respectfully Submitted by Fortune Berg, Clerk