

TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 12, 2025

TOWN OF MORGAN

1. **Called Board Meeting to Order.** Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Supervisor Joe Brusky.
2. **Roll Call:** Chairperson Lori Witthuhn (via- phone); Clerk- Erin Mooers (present); Treasurer- Lorie Wiese (present); Supervisor-Joe Brusky (present), and Supervisor- Jeff Folts (present).
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Approval of Agenda as written.** Supervisor Folts motioned to approve the agenda as written; Chair Witthuhn second; all in favor; M/C.
4. **Approved Minutes:**
 - a. Chair Witthuhn motioned to approve the minutes for 04/14/2025 as written; Supervisor Folts second; all in favor; M/C.
5. **Treasurer's Report:**

Beginning balance for April was \$6,484.74; deposits of \$1,407.60; expenses of \$34,621.24; transfer of \$35,000.00 from savings account; ending balance of \$8,271.10. Savings account total at the beginning of the month \$488,868.61; deposit \$36,406.27; \$35,000.00 transfer to checking; ending balance of \$490,274.88. Escrow account beginning balance of \$750; deposit of \$150; ending balance of \$900. Capital Funds total \$8,688.76- no change for the month; ending balance of \$8,688.76. Cemetery funds beginning balance is \$1,200; no change for the month; ending balance \$1,200. Veteran's Memorial funds beginning balance is \$625.84; no change for the month; ending balance \$652.84. General Assets total- \$498,545.98 (\$2,032.09- in outstanding checks.)
6. **Cemetery Update-** Randy not present- one disposition dropped off, no other updates at this time.
7. **Veterans Memorial-** no new updates.
8. **Morgan Land and Use Planning Commission (MLUPC)-** Next meeting will be on Wednesday May 28, 2025. There is a request for a rezone and land division up for discussion.
 - a. MLUPC is recommending a motion to approve a rezone for Parcel # 028-262600311B from agriculture to rural residential, resident would like to build a shed on the property. Motion made by Supervisor Folts to accept the rezone from agriculture to rural residential; second by Chair Witthuhn; all in favor; M/C.
9. **David Behrend, 8th District County & Jolene Barkhaus, 9th District County:**
 - a. Supervisor Behrend recommends coming up with a policy to protect drinking water.
 - b. Discussed various forms of energy currently being reviewed in the Senate.
 - c. Crypto mining, energy and grid-
 - d. Arkansas- tornado passed through 3.5 miles of solar panels. Supervisor Behrend contacted emergency management in Arkansas to gather information on how they are handling the recovery- the town is responsible for the mess.
 - e. Ohio- Citizen Utility Board noted that the renewable energy crashed.

- f. Supervisor Barkhaus- discussed new ordinance about boat motors and launches- cannot “power load” in launch areas, but motors can be used at a lower speed. Boat launches are being destroyed.
 - g. Abrams Machickanee ski trail gets messed up by foot traffic. New ordinance is for only cross-country skiing- very small window of time frame.
 - h. Approved purchase of new laser sites for guns for the sheriff’s department.
 - i. Gillette/ Zippel Park will have some updates, as well as ADA/ accessibility updates.
 - j. Opioid committee- looking on best ways to disperse Narcan.
 - k. Abby Huntley was awarded a contract with the County to assist with wellness & mental health services.
 - l. Rep Steffens will be at Oconto City Hall Thursday May 22, 2025, 5-6 pm to meet with residents.
- 10. Selling of the mower-** Supervisor Brusky to follow up with Chair Witthuhn to post on sale sites.
- 11. Bug Blaster quote:** Motion from Supervisor Folts to accept the bid; second from Chair Witthuhn, all in favor; M/C.
- 12. WTA Spring workshop-** Chair Witthuhn to attend WTA workshop- Thursday May 15th. Supervisor Folts to approve the cost of \$85; Supervisor Brusky second; all in favor; M/C.
- 13. Correspondence. Action, if any.** (Any correspondence unless specifically listed below will be for information only)
- a. Open Book & Board of Review- will be established later in summer- waiting for DOR to publish their numbers. Will be having a full re-evaluation to get the property classes back in compliance. – posting 30 days prior to BOR. R&R to send out notices around June/ July
 - b. May -ditch clean up. Any residents who pick up tires out of ditches are welcome to dispose of them at the town hall recycling center at no cost.
 - c. Recycling Center-
 - i. Discuss separation from County vs County contract
 - ii. Set date for meeting with the employees
 - iii. Workers always welcome Saturdays- see any board member to apply
- 14. Town Hall**
- a. Upcoming Rentals: 04/26/25, 05/31/25, 06/01/25, 6/14/25, 09/20/25 (Blood Drive) & 01/24/26
- 15. Road Work Report-**
- a. April road review done by Chair and Supervisors. Some areas on Morgan Marsh Road in review to possibly do some ditching. Supervisor Folts spoke with the Alliance- they do not want anything to upset the water shed in their property.
 - b. Right of way clean up continues: Timberline, Timberline Circle, Elm Lawn & Powers Lane- extend the notice for work to continue into the summer months.
- 16. Building Permits-** update from Tom at the annual meeting was one request for communication tower- which was previously discussed by Chair Witthuhn. One request for a barn- pending land use zoning permit.

17. Approval of Orders for payment were read. Supervisor Folts motioned to approve the Orders of Payment for April; Chair Witthuhn second; all in favor; M/C.

18. Open Comment:

- a. Supervisor Behrend-
 - i. Asked about audit. Date to be set
 - ii. Dave has been working on the old land records at the hall. Schools used to be off Chase, County C, Hwy 32 and one in Morgan.
- b. Thank you to Dave for cutting the grass at Town Hall
- c. Solar update NextERA has been filing all documents for Acorn solar have been met and are moving on to the next step

19. Adjourn: Supervisor Brusky adjourned meeting at 08:01 PM. Next meeting is Monday June 09, 2025, at 07:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by Clerk Erin Mooers

Approved on _____

Lori Witthuhn, Chairperson

Joeseeph Brusky, Supervisor

Jeff Folts, Supervisor

Erin Mooers, Town Clerk