

TOWN OF EMPIRE
Monthly Meeting
May 14th, 2025

Chairman Richard Julka called the monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Empire to order at 7:30 pm on Wednesday, May 14th, 2025, at the Empire town hall. Notice and agenda of this meeting was sent to the Town's official newspaper, the Reporter, and a copy is on file with the Town Clerk.

Present at the meeting were Scott Schnettler and Ted Halbur, Supervisors, Nikki Pierquet, Town Clerk, Gail Schindelholz, Treasurer, Mike Morgan, Deputy Clerk, Peter Becker, Permit Insurer, Tom Schindelholz, Trish Schnettler, Kathy Hass, Jim Pierquet, Ron Boda, Tom Dreifuerest, Noah Reif.

Chairman Richard Julka announced that a quorum was present and asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes.

On a motion by Schnettler, seconded by Halbur, the minutes of the April 2025 monthly meeting were approved.

The first order of business was to listen Noah Reif community development educator from UW Extension gave a presentation on what the extension has to offer and some of its benefits to our town.

Next order of business was to Discuss and act on non-licensed cars at N6309 Tower Rd. After discussion it was decided to send a certified letter with the ordinance 60.22-2.2 highlighted asking Mr. Tanner Gremmenger to contact Richard Julka to discuss the issue or come to the next meeting. Town Supervisor Halbur made a motion to approve sending the letter Supervisor Schnettler 2nd, all were in favor, motion passed.

Next order of business was to discuss and act on on the removal of the box culvert on N Grandview Rd. Town Supervisor Schnettler motioned to approve the removal of the box culvert Supervisor Halbur 2nd the motion all were in favor, motion passed. Next order of business to get bids for Pine Road reconstruction bids and chip seal coat bids. Next was to report that storm water management plan was approved.

Next was to act on Class B liquor licenses. We will be in Contact with the Hive to make sure they no longer need the license and get the paper work to Red Cabin.

Next on the agenda is to propose and approve a time change for the monthly meeting. After discussion there was a motion made by Supervisor Halbur to move monthly meeting times to 6:30 pm, starting June 11 2025 Supervisor Schnettler 2nd, all were in favor, motion passed. Next item on the agenda was to discuss and act on landowners dumping yard waste on Joe Mirtz land along the Pheasant Run subdivision. It was decided to send a letter to all homeowners that properties are adjacent to the field. This would be the 2nd warning letter sent.

Next on the agenda is Mr. Mark Peachy at W3802 State Rd 23 has a trailer that someone is occupying for longer than town ordinance allows which is 2months. Town Supervisor Schnettler motioned to send a certified letter highlighting the ordinance pg. 27 13.1.45 #7. Supervisor Halbur 2nd motioned all were in favor, motion passed.

Last on the agenda RESOLUTION 2025-5-1 which is Designating National Exchange Bank and Trust of Fond du Lac as the public depository institution for the Town of Empire and designated the individuals listed below as the Town Officials authorized to sign for the withdrawal of funds from the designated accounts.

General Checking Account (Three signatures required)

Richard Julka, Chairman

Gail Schindelholz, Treasurer

Nicole Pierquet, Clerk

Scott Schnettler, Supervisor

Ted Halbur, Supervisor

Tom Schindelholz, Deputy Treasurer

Michael Morgan, Deputy Clerk

Payroll Account (One signature required)

Gail Schindelholz, Treasurer

Nicole Pierquet, Clerk

Michael Morgan, Deputy Clerk

Money Market Account (One signature required)

Gail Schindelholz, Treasurer

Nicole Pierquet, Clerk

Michael Morgan, Deputy Clerk

Schnettler motioned to update bank signatures according to resolution 2023-5-1 Supervisor Halbur 2nd motioned all were in favor, motion passed.

Report on Town Correspondence

Permit Issuer Becker stated he didn't have anything to report

Supervisor Halbur reported that Albrechts on Poplar Rd would like to have a sign put up on Seven Hills Road for tractors crossing on the hill. They decided that it might be a town of Forest issue and Ricard would talk to Gary.

Supervisor Schnettler reported that Kathy Hass wanted to talk about the wind turbines contract coming due. After discussion with Kathy the board decided to add Kathy Hass to June meeting agenda to discuss the contract further. Supervisor Schnettler wanted to let everyone knows he would like the board to support Clerk Pierquet in taking any clerk classes that fit her schedule. Schnettler had one final thought on putting non-financial things on the cloud making it easier to access general information.

Clerk Pierquet mentioned a resident in Whitetail subdivision contacted her about the shouldering needing to be looked at in their subdivision. Chair Julka said he would talk to

John Meyer and have him take care of it.

Public comments.

Ron Boda presented paperwork and a check to have a board of appeal meeting set up to allow him to keep both driveways that he currently has. Ron stated that he had HOA approval but now they are giving him a hard time. He presented the board with materials, including emails from his HOA. He shared why he wanted to do a second driveway. Ron explained his thoughts and issues with his HOA. It was noted by Trish Schnettler that Ron was having the conversation with the board video recorded. Supervisor Schnettler noted that even if it's approved the HOA has the final say. After discussion Ron was told we would set up the appeal board meeting.

Bills were approved and paid.

On a motion by Supervisor Schnettler, seconded by Halbur, all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12p.m.

Nicole Pierquet
Town Clerk

These minutes were taken at a meeting of the Town of Empire Board held on May 14, 2025, and entered in this record book this 11th day of June 2025.

Nicole Pierquet
Town Clerk