

TOWN OF EATON

MANITOWOC COUNTY

316 W MAIN STREET

VALDERS, WI 54245

Richard Christel, Chairman; Joe Riesterer, Supervisor; Lewis Schema, Supervisor; Pamela Schneider, Treasurer; Carleen Harel, Clerk;
Callie Behnke, Deputy Clerk

REGULAR MEETING 12/8/2025

MINUTES TO BE APPROVED 1/12/2025

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Town of Eaton was called to order by Chairman Rick Christel at 6:30 p.m., Monday, December 8, 2025 at the Eaton Town Hall. The Pledge Allegiance was recited by all.

MEETING NOTICES: Meeting notices were posted at the Eaton Town Hall and on the town website.

ROLL CALL: Rick Christel, Chairman; Joe Riesterer, Supervisor; Lewy Schema, Supervisor; Pamela Schneider, Treasurer; Carleen Harel, Clerk; Callie Behnke, Deputy Clerk; Craig Zipperer, Road Superintendent and Randy Knier were in attendance.

AGENDA: The agenda had been emailed previously. A motion was made by Supervisor Schema to accept the agenda, 2nd by Supervisor Riesterer, motion carried.

MINUTES: The minutes for the November regular meeting and the Budget Hearing-Special Electors-Levy Adoption meeting had been previously emailed to the board for review. For the November regular meeting, a motion was made by Supervisor Schema, 2nd by Supervisor Riesterer, motion carried to approve the minutes. For the Budget Hearing-Special Electors-Levy Adoption meeting minutes, a motion was made by Supervisor Schema, 2nd by Supervisor Riesterer, motion carried. No corrections were needed.

PUBLIC INPUT: It was noted that a treadmill drop-off attempt at the Recycling Center was rejected, as treadmills are not accepted items.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT: Road Superintendent Zipperer provided an update on ongoing work, specifically mentioning tree removal after wind damage and snow plowing.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report had been emailed to the board previously. A motion was made by Supervisor Schema to accept the treasurers report, 2nd by Supervisor Riesterer, motion carried.

CONSTABLE: A concern was raised with the chairman regarding private driveways plowing snow onto the public thoroughfare, a practice prohibited by state law. It was also reported that a black lab was reported running down Niles Road.

ASSESSOR: No report.

TOWN BUSINESS:

All of the following business items were discussed and the following action(s) were taken if necessary:

- a. Sand Bids – After some discussion it was determined that Jim's Excavating would be awarded the sand contract. A motion was made by Chairman Christel, 2nd by Supervisor Riesterer, motion carried.
- b. Joint Powers agreement-After some discussion, it was decided to sign the Joint Power Agreement with Manitowoc County. A motion was made by Supervisor Riesterer, 2nd by Supervisor Schema, motion carried.
- c. Building permit policy-After some discussion, this was tabled.

- d. Approve 2026-2027 Election Workers (see list)-A list of Election Poll workers was previously emailed to the board members. A motion was made by Supervisor Schema, 2nd by Supervisor Riesterer, motioned carried to approve the listed individuals.
- e. P.T.O. Exchange for Overtime (Road Superintendent)- After some discussion, a motion was made by Chairman Christel, 2nd by Supervisor Schema, motioned carried that, if legal, the Road Supervisor will get awarded 1.5 hours of PTO for every one hour of overtime accumulated for that pay period.
- f. Equipment Evaluation-A discussion was had to evaluate the condition and possible needs of equipment. Supervisor Riesterer generated a chart to keep track of equipment miles/hours and condition for Road Supervisor to complete. No further action was taken.
- g. Set Aside Accounts- Upon reviewing the year's finances, the board determined that available funds were too limited to allocate to set-aside accounts.
- h. Direct Deposit-After some discussion on charges/fees of direct deposit, a motion was made by Chairman Christel, 2nd by Supervisor Schema to proceed with setting up direct deposit for those that would want it.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS: November vouchers had previously been emailed to the board for review. A motion was made by Supervisor Riesterer to approve the vouchers, 2nd by Supervisor Schema, motion carried.

MEETING REPORTS: WTA 2026 district Meeting is February 28, 2026 at the Farm Discovery Center in Manitowoc.

MISCELLANEOUS: Chairman Christel had a conversation with the Collins Fire Chief in regards to funding that he shared with the board.

CLERK'S CORRESPONDANCE: The clerk is preparing tax bill data and submitting required documentation.

ADJOURNMENT: Supervisor Schema made a motion to adjourn the meeting, a 2nd was made by Supervisor Riesterer, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carleen Harel, Clerk
Town of Eaton