MINUTES OF THE DAKOTA TOWN BOARD MEETING JUNE 9, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Dakota Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Roll call found all board members present: Chairman Jeremy Kubasta, Supervisor Gary Grenier, and Supervisor Bob Bandt. Other town officials present were: Clerk Melanie Stake, Treasurer Teri Kubasta, and Assessor John P. Blader, Sr.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Bandt, seconded by Grenier, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Grenier, seconded by Bandt, to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2025, regular meeting. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

REPORTS

<u>Treasurer</u>: The May 2025 bank reconciliation was distributed to the board and is filed with these minutes. T. Kubasta completed the Positive Pay paperwork for the bank, and she and Stake will take training on using the program.

<u>Clerk</u>: Stake did necessary payroll calculations due to board members' salaries changing effective April 15. A person alleging to be "news media" requested accessible agendas for all future meetings. Stake emailed the Wisconsin Towns Association to see what the town is obligated to do. She also provided "Budget vs. Actual" reports to the board.

Assessor: Blader said that though the town was assessed at 103 percent after the 2024 revaluation, it is down to 91 percent already. This means that the town will likely be out of compliance with state standards next year.

<u>Fire District</u>: Grenier gave an update on leadership changes at the district, as well as equipment repairs needed.

Road Matters: J. Kubasta said Hartwig's will be doing patching after July 4. Cumberland needs gravel and a turnaround area by the end of the year.

Zoning, Land Use and Development Matters: Long-time Land Use liaison William VanDongen is no longer able to serve in this capacity. J. Kubasta moved to appoint John Blader, Sr. as the lead Land Use Planning Commission contact, and Jeff Buchholz as the alternate. Grenier seconded the motion, and it was carried.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Town Hall Rental Applications</u>: Moved by J. Kubasta, seconded by Grenier, to approve rental applications for the following: Crystal Sessler on August 2, 2025; Sandra Pemble on November 29, 2025; and Aimee Simenson on May 23, 2026. Motion carried.

Hartwig Excavating Snowplowing Contract: J. Kubasta said that for this upcoming contract, he thought the board should consider setting a minimum guaranteed annual payment for Hartwig's. If snowplowing is slow, the town would find other road work for Hartwig's to do. The board felt that \$40,000 was reasonable. J. Kubasta will talk to Hartwig's and bring a possible contract to the board next month.

<u>Stump Grinding Estimates</u>: Moved by J. Kubasta, seconded by Grenier, to accept Size Matters/Mitchell Crivello's estimates totaling \$9,000 to grind stumps on Czech Court and Cottonville Avenue. Motion carried. Grenier will notify Crivello.

Alcohol Beverage & Operator (Bartender) Licenses: Moved by Grenier, seconded by J. Kubasta, to approve renewing "Class B" liquor and Class "B" beer licenses for Blader's Dakota Inn, Lakeshore Family Restaurant LLC, and Waushara Country Club, along with operator (bartender) licenses for four employees at Blader's, two employees at Lakeshore, and five employees at the Country Club. Motion carried. A list of employees/bartenders is filed with these minutes.

<u>Cigarette, Tobacco, and Electronic Vaping Device Retail License</u>: Moved by J. Kubasta, seconded by Grenier, to approve renewing Waushara Country Club's license to sell tobacco products over the counter. Motion carried.

<u>Mobile Home Park Licenses</u>: Moved by J. Kubasta, seconded by Grenier, to approve renewal of licenses for Dakota Capital Mobile Home Community and Silver Lake Village. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills for Payment: Motion by J. Kubasta, seconded by Grenier, to approve the monthly bills as presented and filed with these minutes. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The town's next regular board meeting will be held at the town hall on Monday, July 14, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. An agenda item regarding the possibility of a pier on White River Flowage will be on July's meeting agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, J. Kubasta moved to adjourn, seconded by Grenier. The meeting was thus adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

These minutes are a draft, subject to approval or amendment at subsequent meetings of the town board. Any amendments made will be detailed in the minutes of the meeting at which the changes are proposed, and afterward these minutes will be reposted with the changes.

/s/ Melanie R. Stake, Town Clerk

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