

TOWN OF LAMARTINE

Board Meeting Minutes October 6, 2025

With all notices having been properly posted, Dave Tavs, Chairman, called the September meeting to order at the Lamartine Municipal Building Meeting Room (LMBMR) at 7:00 pm. Also present at this meeting were Supervisor Two Roger Grade; Treasurer; Shelley Schmidt, Deputy Treasurer; Greg Michels and Clerk; Cindy Pluim. Please see meeting sign-in sheet for other attendees.

Roll call was taken, Dave Tavs; Chairman and Roger Grade; Supervisor Two are in attendance. It was determined a Quorum was present.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting(s)

September 8, 2025 Town Board Meeting

September 8, 2025 Plan Commission Meeting

With no corrections needed from the September Board Meeting Minutes and the September 8, 2025 Plan Commission Meeting, Roger moved to approve the September Town Board meeting minutes and Plan Commission Meeting Minutes, seconded by Dave. Motion carried 2-0.

Treasurer's Report – Shelley read the September Treasurer's report aloud. The ending balance as of 09/30/2025 was \$879,828.70. Roger moved to approve the September treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Dave. Motion carried 2-0.

Public Comment:

Chairman Dave Tavs called for Public Comments. Randy Kuik wanted it known that he is not in agreeance with lowering the speed limits to 45 on 3 town roads.

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

- a. **Road Report**— Scotts and NEA are finished with their road work, invoice is sent to the DNR for Heinrich/Dike Rds. We received reimbursement from Alliant for damage to the ditch mower last week. Budget is good with road work complete; NEA was even a bit less than anticipated. Johnson still needs road signs.
 - i. **Culvert Permit Report** – Schaefer, 2 permits for Brown Road and Culver for Nelson Road.
- b. **Monthly Building Reports**- Bozich, Fairview; home rebuild due to fire/Blunkc, Priepe ; 20x19 home addition/ Gallnitz, Hillcrest; new roof, soffit and gutter/Snyder, Fairview; new roof/ Ritger, Cty Rd T; new siding and 4 windows/ Schwandt, Hillcrest; new roof on

detached garage/ Michels, Cty Rd Y; new roof and gutters on home and shop/ Stock, Hwy 23; Gazebo and small shed.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. **Board Discussion/Action-** Employee Policy Manual Finalization after modifications and disclaimer were added in September. Dave made a motion to approve the Employee Policy Manual with changes made, seconded by Roger. Motion carried 2-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Board Discussion/Decision-** Lamartine Volunteer Fire Department 2026 Budget – Joe Birschbach, Fire Chief and Jim Kleinschmidt, President are present. Copies of their budget given to the board, original copy containing signature given to the clerk. Budget is less than last year; there is an addition of 1a. which is due to the new radio requirement by 2028. Per Dave, NFDL has already upgraded their radios. Joe had a meeting and invited County Executive Kaufman, but he didn't show. They are looking to go to district officials to try and get the County to pay for the upgrades. Joe said the County Board told them Towns get a tax share from the county for their fire departments, Greg Michels advised that goes back into the Operating Budget. They were also told there is an AFG Grant, but it is probably too late to apply for it. Dodge County is in the same boat. Roger asked how many units for the \$250K? Joe said each truck, atv's and first responders will need them. Captains carry radios, Sam commanded the house fire on Fairview. Greg asked when the upgrade needs to be done by, per Joe, 2028. Winnebago and Sheboygan County funded for their Counties. This will be tabled until November, after the Board has their Budget workshop.
- b. **Board Discussion/Decision** – Resolutions for updating the Town Fee Schedule on Pet Registrations and New Build Permits and for over-payment of taxes. Dave made a motion to approve and sign the Resolutions, seconded by Roger. Motion carried 2-0.
- c. **Board Discussion/Decision** – Bowmar Contract- Should we have Nick come to the November meeting to explain what our annual maintenance portion and what amount is for future evaluation. Dave will call Nick to discuss separating the amounts. Tabled until November.
- d. **Approval of Monthly Vouchers & Checks** –A motion was made by Dave to approve the checks and vouchers, and pay US Bank, DOR and ATT, seconded by Roger. Motion carried 2-0.
- e. **8:02PM Roger made a motion to move into closed session to discuss employee reviews for Road Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer, seconded by Dave. Motion carried 2-0.**
- f. **8:43PM Dave made a motion to move out of closed session, seconded by Roger. Motion carried 2-0.**

Adjournment – A motion was made by Dave to Adjourn the Meeting, seconded by Roger. Motion carried 2-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:44PM.

Upcoming meetings/Events

November 10, 2025 – 6PM Plan Commission Meeting for Montsma Rezone

November 10, 2025 – 6:30PM Plan Commission Meeting for Towne Rezone

November 10, 2025 – 7:00PM – Monthly Town Board Meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

Town of Lamartine

Cindy Pluim, Clerk

Included with these minutes: Attendance sign in sheet.