

TOWN OF LAMARTINE

Board Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2025

With all notices having been properly posted, Dave Tavs Chairman, called the November meeting to order at the Lamartine Municipal Building Meeting Room (LMBMR) at 6:59 pm. Also present at this meeting were Supervisors Travis Kloetzke and 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; Roger Grade and Travis Kloetzke, Supervisors are in attendance. It was determined a quorum is present.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting(s)

October Board Meeting Minutes (10/06/2025) – Shelley has a correction; there was a check that had gotten void that she wasn't aware of until after the Cash Summary was completed so the correct ending balance was \$880,287.14. Roger, seconded by Dave, moved to approve the October Town Board meeting minutes with the corrected ending balance. Motion carried 3-0.

Treasurer's Report – Shelley read the October Treasurer's report aloud. The ending balance as of 10/31/2025 was \$627,785.24. Travis made a motion, seconded by Roger, to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Comment:

Dave called three times for public comment. No comments were made.

CSM and Rezone for Kenneth Montsma by David Jacob of Jacob Land Surveying - Travis made a motion to approve the CSM and Rezone, seconded by Dave. Motion carried 2-1.

Rezone for Cory & Brenda Towne by David Jacob of Jacob Land Surveying – Dave made a motion approve the rezone, seconded by Roger. Motion carried 3-0.

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Road Report—Craig is finishing up with ditch mowing for the year and getting equipment ready for snow, which will be here soon.
 - i. Culvert Permit Report – Rollie Pinno – Palmer Rd.
- b. Monthly Building Permit Reports – Cindy read the Monthly Building Permits. Grade, State Rd 23-windows; Good, West Ln-Roof; Pinno, Fairview Rd – addition to pole shed; O'Boyle, Cty Rd Y-roof; Gray, West Ln-roof; Michels, Cty Rd T-roof; Michels, Cty Rd T-roof; Sobotta, Palmer Rd – electrical service; Bublitz, Forest Ave Rd-electrical remodel; Streeter, Cty Rd T-windows; Babler, Orchard Rd-roof on garage; Giebel, Johnson Rd-windows and patio door; Runge, Fairview Rd-windows; Capelle, Cty Rd Y-roof and Capelle, Cty Rd Y-siding.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Board Discussion/Decision – Discontinuation of West Clark. Travis made a motion to approve the discontinuation, seconded by Roger. Motion carried 3-0.
- b. Board Discussion/Decision – Discontinuation of Waldson Dr. Dave made a motion to approve the discontinuation, seconded by Travis. Motion carried 3-0.

- c. Board Discussion/Decision- Bowmar Contract. Roger made a motion to do the Market Revaluation in 2028 versus the Exterior Revaluation, seconded by Dave. Motion carried 3-0.

7:30 PM PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

- a. With the time being 7:30 PM, Travis made a motion to move out of monthly board meeting and into public hearing for the 2026 town budget. Seconded by Roger. Motion carried 3-0.
- b. Dave asked Shelley to read a summary of proposed budget and noted that the annual garbage collection cost will increase annually from \$207 to \$214 per household.
- c. Dave asked if there were any questions pertaining to the proposed budget 3 times.
- d. Dave asked for a motion to adjourn the Public Budget Hearing. Motion made by Frank Bartzen and seconded by Tom Schwarz. Unanimously approved.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

- a. A motion was made by Frank Bartzen to move into the Special Town Meeting, the motion was seconded by Nic Kuik. Unanimously approved.
- b. A motion was made by Frank Bartzen to approve the 2025 total town tax levy of \$602,352.00 to be collected in 2026. Seconded by Nic Kuik. Unanimously approved.
- c. At 7:36 PM motion was made by Nic Kuik to exit the Special Town Meeting and move back into the Town's Board Meeting . Motion was seconded by Tom Schwarz. Motion passed unanimously.

RESUME TOWN BOARD MEETING

The First order of Business by the Town Board: Roger made a motion to Adopt the Final 2026 Budget, seconded by Travis. Motion carried 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Board Discussion – Introduction and update from Mike Rhode – Envision Greater FDL. Mike did not show up for the meeting, Cindy will follow up with him.
- b. Board Discussion – Shane Tilleman Land Discussion. Shane first asked if the Town Legal Council was present and he was not. Per Shane on 9/24 John Shaffer came to his home threatening him and Shane had him trespass from the property. On 9/25 Shane received a call from Chairman Dave Tavs to discuss moving the shed off Mr. Shaffers property. Shane is claiming adverse possession and says he has old aerial photos that show the area in question was used by the previous owner of Mr. Tillemans home. Randy suggested going to the Register of Deeds to get a CSM. Dave asked Mr. Tilleman to move the shed as Mr. Tilleman stated it is a fishing shanty and it has wheels. Mr. Tilleman declined. Dave will contact the Town Attorney on 11/11/2025 and will get back to Mr. Tilleman by Friday 11/14/2025.
- c. Board Discussion/Decision – Liquor License for Christina DeMarre (Purchasing Halfway House)- With no alcohol/drug violations in her past, Roger made a motion to approve the liquor license for Christina DeMarre purchasing the Halfway House, seconded by Dave. Motion carried 3-0.

Approval of Monthly Vouchers and Checks Travis made a motion to approve checks and vouchers, seconded by Dave. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment – Travis moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dave. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Town of Lamartine

Cindy Pluim, Clerk

Included with these minutes: Attendance Sign in Sheet
Attachment "A" Summary of Proposed 2025 Budget