

Town of St. Joseph - St. Croix County, WI
Minutes for the Joint Meeting of the Public Works Committee and Town Board

St. Joseph Town Hall

Tuesday, April 8, 2025 – 6:00PM

This meeting was held on April 8 due to the election on April 1.

CALL TO ORDER By chair Carlson at 6:05pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE *Posted as required.*

ROLL CALL *Members Carlson, Marshall, and Simpson were present. Also present were alternate members Hailey and Weber, with both moving to active positions for this meeting.*

ADOPTION OF AGENDA *Motion to adopt the agenda (Marshall/Weber) passed.*

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES – 3/04/2025 *Motion to adopt the minutes of the Mar. 4, 2025 meeting (Marshall/Weber passed.*

Business:

- 1 2025 Road Projects:
 - 1.1 144th Ave. remaining work for completion in 2025. Any updates or issues.
No updates. The road condition will be checked before any paving begins.
 - 1.2 2025 Road project discussion, including crack patching and seal coating. *Bids were opened on 3/25. The low bid from Allied Blacktop was \$104,278. This will be presented to the Town Board at the next meeting, for work in July.*
- 2 Other road projects:
 - 2.1 Scott road – collaboration with Town of Hudson on resurfacing. *A motion was made and passed at the January PW meeting, but never made it to the Town Board. It will be passed to the Town board with these minutes for inclusion on the next Town Board agenda.*
- 3 Damages to roads:
 - 3.1 Results of spring road inspections.
 - *Roads are in pretty good condition. Issues were noted and passed to the Town Chair so work orders can be created.*
 - *There is a Pettibone loader parked in the cul-de-sac at 451 147th Ave. that is probably violating the town spring weight restrictions. Jay will be notified.*
 - *There are 2 mailboxes on Highland View (at 452 & 468) with rock foundations in the ROW that may be considered hazards. Jay will be notified.*
 - 3.2 Any other road damage issues.
- 4 Discuss and possibly schedule weed spraying along roads. Lee Shanbeau, 4 Control. Discuss use of PGR (plant growth regulator) use again this year along with our normal spraying.
 - *4 Control handles weed spraying in 30 counties and 30 towns.*
 - *PGR and herbicide use should result in no need to mow until fall.*
 - *Spot treatment is not as effective as broadcast treatment.*
 - *Chris Marshall worked with Simon (Lee's son) last week to identify locations for this year.*
 - *Motion made (Simpson/Marshall) and passed to have 4 Control do all roads the did last year, plus around guard rails identified by Chris for this year.*
- 5 Eckert Bulflands County Park entrance and how it may affect town road Old Hwy. 35. *There is no news on this. The towns of Hudson and St. Joe will be meeting with St. Croix County to discuss access roads. This will be removed from the PW agenda for now.*

- 6 Signage - any signage issues. *The group discussed street signs at 24th St and 146th Ave. No decisions were made.*
- 7 Discussion of tractor and mower equipment replacement. *Hanson Shane from Northland Lawn & Sport Inc. presented a proposal for a John Deere with an Alamo boom mower. The cost is \$229,000, including the trade-in of our current Case tractor & mower. Chris also investigated a unit from Kubota, at a similar price. No decisions were made. The target for purchase would be during 2026-2027. Chris is also investigating becoming a member of Sourcewell Co-op, which could help lower the purchase price. Most towns do purchase this equipment, instead of leasing.*
- 8 General maintenance:
 - 8.1 Completion of work orders.
 - 8.2 Tractor and equipment maintenance. *Tractor is in Rice Lake for spring maintenance and DEF work.*
 - 8.3 Maintenance issues not addressed above.
- 9 Seasonal maintenance:
 - 9.1 Winter:
 - 9.1.1 Snowplowing status. *Ok.*
 - 9.1.2 Winter tree cutting and trimming. *37th St. has some oak trees that need to be removed.*
 - 9.1.3 Any other work needed.
 - 9.2 Summer:
 - 9.2.1 Pothole repair. *Work orders are out.*
 - 9.2.2 Shoulder repair. *Work orders are out.*
 - 9.2.3 Gravel road maintenance.
 - 9.2.4 Weed removal/spraying.
 - 9.2.5 Tractor mowing.
- 10 Review of bills and expenditures for previous month(s).
- 11 2025 expenses to date vs. budget.

- **PUBLIC COMMENT** –Opportunity for comments on subjects not on the agenda when recognized by the presiding officer. *It was suggested that Public Comment be moved to the beginning of the meeting, instead of having people wait until the end. This will be done on the next agenda.*
- Items for Town Board Agenda Items 2.1 (Scott Road), 4 (weed spraying). Also item 3.1 (Pettibone, mailboxes) for investigation by the Zoning Inspector,
- Items for next Public Works Committee Agenda Items 1-3, 6-11, plus:
 - *Speed limits on 150th St. (Weber)*
 - *Bollards around Fire Dept. well in upper parking lot. (Simpson)*
 - *Request to the Town board to have all future subdivision road plans submitted to the PW committee for review. (Simpson)*
- Date for the next Public Works Committee meeting. *May 6 at 6:00pm*
- Adjournment *A motion to adjourn (Simpson/Hailey) was made and passed at 7:37pm*

Meeting notice posted as follows: Posted as required by Clerk/Treasurer Town of St. Joseph- [1337 County Road V- Hudson, WI 54016](#) Office #: 715-549-6235, Fax #: 715-549-6249 Email- clerk@townofstjoseph.com, Website: www.townofstjoseph.com

Members of the Town Board or other Town Committees may attend for informational purposes. No votes or other action will be taken by the Town Board at this meeting.