

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, Sept. 2, 2025 – 6:00PM

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CALL TO ORDER *By chair Carlson at 6:02pm.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

ROLL CALL *Members Carlson, Marshall, Simpson, Weber, and Zahler were present. Alternates Betker and Murphy were also present.*

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

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES – 8/05/2025 *Motion to adopt the minutes of the July 1 and August 3, 2025 meetings (Marshall/Carlson) passed.*

PUBLIC COMMENT – Opportunity for comments on subjects not on the agenda when recognized by the presiding officer.

- Laurie DeRosier disliked the way the bypass lanes on highway 35 at the St. Croix Crossing development were implemented. Since these are on a state highway, the Public Works committee has no control over the design and implementation of these lanes.
- Les Weber disliked the lack of action taken on speed limits on 150th Ave. at the August meeting. It was decided to move further discussion of this to item 4.1.

Business:

1 2025 Road Projects:

1.1 144th Ave. remaining work for completion in 2025. Any updates or issues.
The paving is completed. There is some clean-up needed at the end of the road due to utility installation.

1.2 2025 Road project discussion, including crack patching and seal coating. *The seal coating was done early, but without inspection and monitoring. The contractor will give us 1 year additional warranty.*

- *Lee had a list of possible additional crack sealing that could be done for (estimated) \$32,683. There is \$33,094.00 left in the budget for this year. A motion was made (Simpson/Marshall) to do the additional crack sealing on Lee's list. This will be forwarded to the Town Board.*

- *It was noted that Allied went ~~.5 mile~~ **985 feet** past the town line on 140th Ave., to 95th St. doing the crack seal, but we won't be charged for it.*

2 Other road projects: *None.*

3 Damages to roads: *None.*

4 Traffic studies.

4.1 Radar sign from town of Somerset on 150th Ave. *Somerset's radar sign does not log speeds. Les reiterated the issues with excessive speed on this road, along with the fact that there are frequent pedestrians walking down to Bass Lake. Chris will discuss cost sharing 45mph signs on 150th Ave. Mark and Les will do 1-2 more locations for traffic studies on this road.*

5 Signage - any signage issues.

5.1 Status of new street and speed limit signs. *The signs for 24th St. and 146th St. were ordered incorrectly. Theresa has been contacted about re-ordering them.*

6 Discussion of snowplowing with snowplow vendors.

- *Schmidt's had no issues.*
 - *Todd Tuma said that his insurance will not cover shoveling the walk by the new town hall building. He was also concerned about plowing around the dumpsters, which has always been an issue. The group discussed placement of the dumpsters, and we can experiment this winter with various places to put them during the winter.*
- 7 General maintenance:
- 7.1 Completion of work orders. *Ok.*
 - 7.2 Tractor and equipment maintenance. *The tractor is down again. We are currently waiting for Baribeau to pick it up. The town has applied for membership in the MN municipal buying pool, which could save us money on purchasing replacement equipment.*
 - 7.3 Maintenance issues not addressed above. *There is a big oak tree on East Oaks Tr. that split in the last windstorm, and should be removed before it falls on the roadway. Jeff will discuss removal with the landowner.*
- 8 Seasonal maintenance:
- 8.1 Summer:
 - 8.1.1 Pothole repair. *We received 2 truckloads of patching material.*
 - 8.1.2 Shoulder repair. *Ok.*
 - 8.1.3 Gravel road maintenance. *Ok.*
 - 8.1.4 Weed removal/spraying. *Done.*
 - 8.1.5 Tractor mowing. *To be continued when the tractor gets back.*
- 9 Review of bills and expenditures for previous month(s).
- 10 2025 expenses to date vs. budget.

Follow-up:

- Items for Town Board Agenda *Item 1.2 (crack sealing)*
- Items for next Public Works Committee Agenda *Items 1-5, 7-10.*
- Date for the next Public Works Committee meeting. *October 7 at 6pm.*
- Adjournment *A motion to adjourn (Marshall/Simpson) was made and passed at 7:08pm.*

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.