

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

July 14, 2025

Chair Colby called the regular meeting of the Sumpter Town Board to order at 5:40 p.m. at the Sumpter Community Center. Present for the meeting were: Chair Tim Colby, Supervisor Tim Bruckert, Supervisor Donna Ziegler, Treasurer Melody Rehr, and Clerk Rita Seaver.

1. Chair Colby certified compliance with the open meeting law.
2. Bruckert moved, Ziegler second to accept the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Public comment – Concerns with Swiss Valley Road reconditioning project were shared by Jill Flemming and Robert Novak
4. Ziegler moved, Bruckert second to approve the previous minutes for June 9 and 27, 2025. Motion carried.
5. Bruckert moved, Ziegler second to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.
6. Review of recent communication & committee reports
 - a. Communications received by Chair/Clerk/Supervisors
 - i. Nature Conservancy is utilizing the stewardship funding to purchase the Jim Ind property in the Baraboo bluffs.
 - ii. LRE approved the Raschein rezone with a 5-3 vote.
 - iii. Town and Country and Peterson Sanitation is being acquired by Republic Services.
 - b. Sauk Prairie Community Recreation Commission – updated provided
 - c. Sauk Fire District Commission – next meeting is in September
 - d. SP Ambulance Commission – no update
7. Updates on ongoing business:
 - a. Old Bluff Trail reconditioning project update – update provided
 - b. Swiss Valley Road reconditioning project update – update provided
 - c. Groth Road pulverizing project update – Ziegler moved, Bruckert second to put this project on hold and rebid for 2026 due to 2025 budget constraints. Motion carried.
 - d. Otter Creek Bridge replacement project update – Ziegler moved, Bruckert second to approve the final plan documents for the Otter Creek Bridge replacement project. Motion carried.
 - e. Sumpter Hill Cemetery transfer to Town of Sumpter update – no update
 - f. Room tax intergovernmental agreement update – no update
 - g. Migration of Clerk and Treasurer email accounts to .gov email accounts update – migration to .gov email accounts is complete and subgrant reimbursement request has been submitted.
 - i. clerk@townofsumpter.gov
 - ii. treasurer@townofsumpter.gov
 - iii. Website
8. Items for Discussion and Possible Action:
 - a. Town Board to review, discuss and possibly approve recommendation to the Town Board on an Access/Driveway Permit application for Tax Parcel 034-0241-10100 for Tim and Karen Bruckert – Ziegler moved, Colby second to approve the Access/Driveway Permit application for tax parcel 034-0241-10100 for Tim and Karen Bruckert. Tim Bruckert abstained from voting. Motion carried.
 - b. Approve/deny updated Town storage shed lease with Eugene Clement – Ziegler moved, Bruckert second to approve the revised Shed Lease Agreement with Eugene Clement effective Jan. 1, 2026. Motion carried.
 - c. Review of Fire Inspection violation report and possible action to address report – need to determine where to take fire extinguishers for recharging.

Submitted by Rita Seaver, Clerk

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- d. Consider and Possibly Act on new voting system Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement with Sauk County Clerk – Ziegler moved, Bruckert second to approve the voting system Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement with Sauk County Clerk. Motion carried.
 - e. Consider and Possibly Act on replacing and updating office computer and software – Bruckert moved, Ziegler second to approve the purchase of 2 laptops; one for the clerk and one for the treasurer. Motion approved.
 - f. Consider and Possibly Act on LP pre-buy contract with Consumers Co-op – Bruckert moved, Ziegler second to approve pre-buying 750 gallons of LP from Consumers Co-op Oil for a total of \$1,267.50 for the 2025-2026 heating season at the Sumpter Community Center. Motion carried.
9. Set date & time for upcoming meetings
- a. Town Board – Aug. 11, 2025 @ 5:30p.m.
10. Ziegler moved, Bruckert second to approve checks 8845 through 8861, and autopayments to US Cellular and Quickbooks totaling: \$30,407.32 for regular bills.
11. Bruckert moved Colby second, to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m.