

TOWN OF PORT WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Port Washington Town Board
Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.
At the Town Hall, 3715 Highland Drive, Port Washington, WI

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mike Didier, Gary Schlenvogt, Greg Welton, Heather Krueger-Clerk, Mary Sampont-Treasurer, Roger Kison – Building Inspector
Press: 0, Public: 4

2. Approval of August Town Board and Public Hearing minutes. Welton moved to approve the August Town Board and Public Hearing minutes, seconded by Schlenvogt. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comments:

Ben Donajkowski, 4799 CHY LL: When does the border agreement with the City of Port Washington end? Didier: December 31, 2025. Donajkowski: Will the residents of the town be notified? Didier: The city agrees not to annex land within the border agreement; anything outside the borderline can be annexed with town approval. It's over 20 years old, and the city is unwilling to sign a new agreement. Joe Calarco, 2503 Hillcrest Rd: Can the town post speed limit signs on Hillcrest Road? Traffic goes very fast on this road. Didier: If the speed limit is not posted, the limit by default is 55 mph. A traffic study on this road a couple of years ago did not warrant the town lowering the speed limit.

4. Reports:

Chairman: 1) The Ozaukee County Highway Dept has paved the Northwoods and Sunset Road curve. The village of Saukville paved the south side of Northwoods Rd. 2) The town engineer met with the DNR regarding the culvert on Hawthorne Road. 3) There was a public comments meeting on the Dixie Road Bridge; no public comments were heard.

Town Supervisor report: Welton: 1) Sommers and Applewood were sealed with a very nice membrane surface. 2) Lange Road was never addressed; JJ still needs to come and take care of the brush and add gravel. 3) Is there any word from Payne & Dolan regarding Green Bay Road? Didier: Nothing has come up yet. 4) Welton received a call about the house at the end of Birch Lane, which has a lot of cars and tractors in the yard.

Schlenvogt: 1) The County removed the cattails and reeds from the corner of Hawthorne & CTH KK, improving the vision at that corner. 2) Schlenvogt has heard rumors that the micro-chip plant is no longer being considered for the Town of Port Washington; they will be going to another state.

Town Building Inspector report. Per Kison, the KW Business Barns took out three building permits.
Town Treasurer report.

The town's money market account balance is \$498,120.76, the checking account balance is \$103,259.20, the small business account balance is \$.41, and the LGIP account balance is \$179,621.72. The Ozaukee County Treasurer paid the town \$134,333.03 for the August tax settlement.

Town Clerk: 1) The Auguste Primary election went very well; the town had a 44% voter turnout. 2) Absentee ballots will be sent out by Sept 19th for the General Election. 3) The website has been updated with current election information, including the extended absentee hours for the November election. 4) Krueger will be submitting the Recycling Grant before Oct 1st.

5. Discussion of long-term plans regarding the town-owned property at 3703 Highland Dr. A quorum notice was posted, and the town board met at the rental property today at 6:30 PM. The house needs new windows. The garage door is broken; the gutters need to be cleaned out; a tree needs to come down next to the garage, and debris and garbage need to be cleaned up behind the garage area. The house has a new roof, a new furnace, a new water heater, and a newer electrical

panel. It was agreed the town would clean out the gutters, repair the garage door, and take care of the trees and yard area. The Town Planner will also give the planning commission some ideas on how the town could potentially market this lot for different uses.

6. **Discussion regarding dead ash trees in the road right-of-way.** Per Didier, several areas in the town, including Lake Drive and Norport, have many dead trees in the road right-of-way. The town needs to find a new contractor to take these trees down. Some should come down before they fall, as it will be a safety hazard. Didier will reach out to contractors in the area and Ozaukee County.
7. **Approve August monthly bills. Welton moved to approve the monthly August bills totaling \$50,177.32, seconded by Schlenvogt. Motion passed unanimously.**

Schlenvogt moved to adjourn the September Town Board meeting at 7:46 PM.

Heather Krueger,
Clerk