

Town of Perry
DRAFT Minutes of Town Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 14, 2025
Perry Town Hall
Teleconference - 425-585-6272 access - 394-722-206 #

1. Call to order. Chairman Roger Kittleson called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Supervisors Ken Hefty and Mick Klein Kennedy, Treasurer - Deputy Clerk Stephanie Zwettler and Clerk Mary Price were present. Also in attendance: Michele Kittleson, Mark Eastman, James Gibson, Skyler Myers, Atty. Mark Rooney and Sue Medaris and Chara Kessler via teleconference.

Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Kittleson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence – Chairman Roger Kittleson requested a moment of silence in remembrance of Steve Jeglum, Roger Anderson, Toni Sutter Adams, Andrew Balch and Robin Balch.

2. Announcements. Clerk Mary Price announced a Primary election will be held on February 18, 2025 for the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Town's election administration team is preparing for the public test on Feb. 10th, distributing absentee ballots, and holding the election on Feb. 18, 2025.

Clerk Mary Price participated in a planning meeting for the new Dane Co. Clerk's facility, invited by Dane Co. Clerk Scott McDonell in Dec.

3. Comments by Town residents – non-agenda items. James Gibson presented information received from WI DOT requesting comments on planned resurfacing on Hwy. 78. Town residents are encouraged to respond if contacted.

4. New Glarus Fire District – purchase new fire truck. Skyler Myers, the Town's representative in the New Glarus Fire District, presented a purchase proposal for a new fire truck - \$1,397,840.00, and the Town's share based on equalized valuation due in April, 2026 - \$12,400.00 and June, 2027 - \$14,350.00. Ken Hefty moved and Mick Klein Kennedy seconded a motion to participate in the purchase of a new fire truck by the New Glarus Fire District based on the Town's equalized valuation for the portion of the Town served by the District, to be included in the Town's 2026 and 2027 budgets. Motion carried.

5. Land Use:

- a. Diane Erb, 1514 Sutter Rd. site plans, zoning changes, 3 lots from FB-35 to RR-2 and RM-8. Ken Hefty presented the Land Use Committee's discussions and recommendations – to approve Lot 3 zoning change; to table Lot 1 zoning change; the Land Use Committee did not act on Lot 2 zoning change. The Town Board reviewed the preliminary surveys and proposed zoning changes.

Mick Klein Kennedy moved and Ken Hefty seconded a motion to approve Lot 3, a three acre lot, zoning change from FP-35 to RR-2 as submitted. Motion carried.

Mick Klein Kennedy moved and Ken Hefty seconded a motion to table Town Board action on Lot 1. Motion carried.

- b. Dane Co. Ordinance Amendment 23 – Conditional Use permits. Ken Hefty presented the Land Use Committee's review and discussion with Dane Co. Planner. The Town Board reviewed the proposed ordinance amendment that removes the local veto option on Conditional Use permit applications. Ken Hefty moved and Mick Klein Kennedy seconded a motion to approve Dane Co. Ordinance Amendment 23 to comply with WI §. Motion carried. The Town's CUP application process will be reviewed as needed.

6. Roads, Equipment, Facilities –

- a. Truck & Snowplow delivery, renew interim loan. Road Patrolman Mark Eastman reported Madison Truck Equipment has not started to install the snowplow equipment and plans to complete the installation for delivery by February 15, 2025.

Clerk Mary Price presented Peoples Community Bank loan terms to extend the current loan for one year @ 5.99%.

Ken Hefty moved and Mick Klein Kennedy seconded a motion to approve a Peoples Community Bank loan in the amount of \$125,000.00 for one year at 5.99%. Yes – Ken Hefty, Mick Klein Kennedy, Roger Kittleson. Motion carried.

- b. Petition for Discontinuance of Part of a Public Way – a portion of Moen Road. James Gibson and Susan Medaris submitted a Petition to discontinue Town maintenance of approximately 580 feet from the western boundary on Moen road. Ken Hefty moved and Mick Klein Kennedy seconded a motion to accept the Petition and to hold a public hearing as required by WI §66.1003(4)(b). Motion carried.

- 7. Recycling Center. New shed. Recycling plastic bag/wrap options; electronics recycling. Road Patrolman Mark Eastman indicated the door, insulation, and propane heater have been installed in the new shed. Recycling Attendant Chara Kessler explained recycling options for plastic bags, plastic film, etc. through NexTrex. The NexTrex educational brochure will be distributed at the Recycling Center, funded with the DNR recycling grant. Additional information for recycling styrofoam and electronics will be researched. The new shed will be added to the Town's insurance coverage at a replacement cost of \$10,000.00.

8. Town Hall Renovation report. Mick Klein Kennedy, committee chair, will schedule a committee meeting to develop additional recommendations.
9. Closed Session. Dane Co. Circuit Court case 15CV0065 DSG; Ken Hefty moved and Mick Klein Kennedy seconded a motion to convene a closed session under WI § 19.85(1)(g) to confer with legal counsel concerning strategy and WI § 19.85(1)(b). Roll call: Ken Hefty, Yes. Mick Klein Kennedy, Yes. Roger Kittleson, Yes. Motion carried. The Town Board discussed potential settlement options with Atty. Mark Rooney.

Ken Hefty moved and Mick Klein Kennedy seconded a motion to reconvene an open session. Roll call: Ken Hefty, Yes. Mick Klein Kennedy, Yes. Roger Kittleson, Yes. Motion carried.

Mick Klein Kennedy moved and Ken Hefty seconded a motion to authorize Atty. Mark Rooney to contact engineer Greg Boruchi for information. Motion carried.
10. Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Stephanie Zwettler presented the monthly report: tax collections, shed payment processed, TRIP grant received, year-end payroll taxes and retirement withholdings paid, tax settlements prepared.
11. Friends of the Parks of Perry report. Mick Klein Kennedy, Friends' president, presented the revised Friends brochure and draft Winter newsletter, and announced a grant in the amount of \$6,000.00 will be transferred to the Town in February, 2025 for an additional principal payment on the Town's Commissioners of Public Lands loan on February 15, 2025.
12. Minutes of Previous Meetings – December 10, 2024. Ken Hefty moved and Mick Klein Kennedy seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Town Board meeting held on December 10, 2024 as published. Motion carried.
13. Revise 2025 Budget. Clerk Mary Price presented proposed revisions to the 2025 Budget to include salary changes approved by the electors and the recycling center shed. Ken Hefty moved and Mick Klein Kennedy seconded a motion to approve the revised 2025 Budget. Motion carried.
14. Pay Bills due. The Town Board reviewed the invoices presented for payment. Ken Hefty moved and Mick Klein Kennedy seconded a motion to pay the bills. Motion carried.
15. Adjournment. Ken Hefty moved and Mick Klein Kennedy seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:30PM.
