

TOWN OF FOREST BOARD MEETING Minutes

Located at the Forest Town Hall at E15784 State Hwy. 33, Hillsboro, WI
On Monday, April 13, 2026, at 6:00 PM

I Call to Order: The town of Forest Board meeting was called to order at 6pm on Monday April 13th by Chairman Mark Davison.

II We began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

III Attendance: Those present were, Bill Schiller, Mark Davison, Todd Teed, Bob McCoy, Denise Valentine, Dianne Johnson. Others, Kevin Schmitz, Bob Gabbey, Wayne Jerrett, Steve Brey, Jim Rynes, George and Janet Jordan.

IV Affirmation of Proper Public Notice: Notice was confirmed.

V Public Input: There was a question concerning the locks and cameras at the recycle center asking if they had been installed, and locks fixed. They had.

VI Secretary's Report: Denise emailed the minutes to the board and asked for any corrections or additions. Corrections were made. **Motion** by Bill Schiller, seconded by Bob McCoy, that the March minutes be approved. Motion carried

VII Financial Report for April 2026 meeting: Dianne Johnson reported that the opening balance at Royal Bank, was 314670.57, with income of 105794.96, and expenses of 133535.38, our balance as of March 31st was 286930.15. The balance as of today is 311050.54. The Savings account at Royal Bank is 100.00

At Farmers Bank, we have a CD in amount of \$2000.00 started on Jan 13th, 2026, earning 1.75%. Savings account balance 4100.74 earning .25%. Our Line of Credit balance is 387311.51. It was noted that our current CD#40361 matures today April 13th, the plan for the savings and CD is to move the savings of 4000.74 with the current CD #40361 and its interest into a new 3-month CD. This would occur each 3-month cycle when the CD matures. This leaves a \$100.00 balance in our savings account. **Motion** by Mark Davison, seconded by Bill Schiller, that we move the current savings of 4000.74 and CD# 40361 into a new 3-month CD. **Motion** Carried.

VIII Other Reports:

- a. **Town Patrolman Report:** received and filed report.
- b. **Review of Submitted Building Site Permits and Driveway Permits.** There were none
- c. **Fire Association Report:** None
- d. **Recycle Center Report:** Jim has been telling customers that the April Clean up Days will be April 24th, and 25th from 8-5. This information is posted at center and on our website, Townofforest.com
- e. **Chairman Report:** Mark attended the Vernon County Finance Commission and Infrastructure meeting, concerning the land fill. Mark also attended the Vernon County Board meeting, with its topic being the proposed High Powered Electric Line, which may or may not go through Vernon County. The board passed a resolution that Vernon County was opposed to the power line going through its county. Mark also assisted Todd with installing fire numbers. Also noting that he had received calls from towns people praising the storm clean up work that Todd and Jeremy did after the ice storm we had.

IX. Business

- a. *Discussion and Possible Action on Opening and Awarding Bids:*

Bids received: For **Machine Hire**: Krueger Excavating LLC was only bid received, Trucking hourly rate, \$120.00, Excavator, \$160.00, 550 Dozer \$140.00, Possie Truck \$140.00. **Motion** by Bob McCoy, seconded by Bill Schiller to accept the machine hire bid. Motion carried.

Seal Coating: Scott Construction – Single application over a Hard Surface using 3/8in washed Granite Chips, liquid Asphalt 4200 gal, Cover Aggregate 135 tons. Approx cost per mile of road 20ft wide, prox cost per mile \$24494
Single application over a Gravel Surface using 3/8 washed Granit Chips, Liquid Asphalt 6200 gal, cover aggregate 240 tons, prox cost per mile \$37215.

Double Application over a gravel Surface using 3/8 washed granite chips, Liquid asphalt, 9000 gal, Cover Aggregate 290 tons, prox cost per mile 48988. Copy of bid received and filed.

Fahrner Asphalt Sealers: Single seal over hard surface using 3/8 washed fractured granite chips, per mile Single seal \$22171.00, Double Seal \$44342.00, super single over gravel, \$33391.00, application 4200 gals oil//150ton chips per mile, 8400 gals oil // 300 ton chips per mile w/20ft tops. Bid received and filed.

Motion by Bob McCoy seconded by Bill Schiller Fahrners bid. Motion carried.

Rock Products and Gravel”

Krueger Excavating LLC, gravel 3/4 delivered per yard \$13.00, picked up per yard \$10.00, 3in minus delivered per yard \$13.00, picked up \$10.00 per yard, sand per yard delivered \$10.00, unclassified fill delivered per yard \$7.00, picked up per yard \$5.00 copy of bid received and filed.

Green Tech Enterprises, all prices per yard were higher than Krueger. Copy of bid received and filed. **Motion** by Bob McCoy, seconded by Bill Schiller that we accept the bid from Krueger Excavating LLC, motion carried.

- b. *Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of a Liquor License*: **Motion** by Mark Davison seconded by Bob McCoy that we approve the liquor license for Rustic Ridge Resort LLC. Motion carried.
- c. *Discussion and Possible Action on Donations to Libraries and Cemeteries*: **Motion** by Bob McCoy, seconded by Bill Schiller that we donate \$500.00 to these cemeteries, Forest, Billings Creek, and Mt Tabor Cemeteries. To the Hillsboro and Ontario Libraries we donate \$300.00. Motion carried.
- d. *Discussion and Possible Action on Purchasing Tires for the Backhoe*: Todd investigated prices for the backhoe, and the better tire for this application is believed to be, the RideMax BKT at 594.00ea. **Motion** by Bill Schiller, seconded by Bob McCoy, that we purchase these tires for the backhoe, motion carried.
- e. *Discussion and Possible Action on Signage for the Dodge Truck*: The current signage on the truck is magnetic and tends to rust out underneath the sign. We had gone with Gawronski Signs of Reedsburg for a previous truck, and they did a good job. **Motion** by Bob McCoy, second by Bill Schiller that we get signage for the 1-ton truck.

- f. *Profit and Loss Review*: Denise presented the year-to-date Profit and Loss. **Motion** by Bob McCoy, seconded by Bill Schiller that we approve the Profit and Loss review. Motion Carried.
- g. *Approve Invoices*: Denise read through all the invoices to be paid for the month. **Motion** by Bill Schiller seconded by Bob McCoy that the invoices be approved, motion carried.

X Announcements

- a. Next regular board meeting is Monday May 13th, 2026, at 6pm.
 - b. Town of Forest Annual Meeting will be on Monday April 20, 2026, at the Town Hall
6PM.
 - c. Candidate and Legislator forum will be May 18th, 2026, at the Radison Motel,
in
Lacrosse Wi, 7:30- 9:00am free breakfast.
 - d. Road School Monday April 27th – Wednesday April 29th.
- XI **Adjourn: Motion** by Bill Schiller, second by Bob McCoy, that we adjourn this meeting at 7:20pm Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Valentine clerk,
Town of Forest – Vernon County