

TOWN OF RUSSELL BOARD APPROVED MINUTES

Monday, July 7, 2025

Town of Russell Hall 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Willeford.

Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Agenda Posted: Yes.

Attendance:

Board members present: Chairperson Willeford, Supervisor Ausloos, Supervisor Schmahl.

Others present: Treasurer Cobble, Clerk Mierzejewski, Pete Geyer, Gary Kraus, Brett Glaeser from Ayres.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Clerk read June minutes. Ausloos moved to approve minutes as read, seconded by Schmahl; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Cobble presented June report. Schmahl motioned to approve report, seconded by Ausloos; motion carried.

Monthly Bills: Clerk presented July bills. Ausloos moved to approve bills, seconded by Schmahl; motion carried.

Public Comments: None.

Town Members/Special Topics:

- New Town Hall Update:
 - Kraus presented contract for LexiCo Surface for epoxy flooring. Board reviewed. Schmahl motioned to approve contract for epoxy flooring done by LexiCo Surface, Ausloos seconded the motion; motion carried.
 - Kraus presented siding colors picked out by Town Hall Committee. Board reviewed.
 - Well has been drilled; it is 160 feet deep.
 - Kraus called state inspector who checked the rebar and will take care of everything. There will be no bill through the state.
 - Town has insurance on the build site.
 - Kraus will send the town's tax-exempt status paperwork to the contractors.

Monthly Correspondence and/or email:

- WI Department of Safety sent audit report on St. Cloud Fire Department stating department is in substantial compliance with State's 2% fire dues program.
- WTA sent info on State budget law to increase baseline general transportation aid rate per mile for 2025-2027.

- Payment received from DNR for Managed Forest Law land, per state statute 77.85 on 973.07 acres at 20 cents/acre, for a total payment of \$194.61.

Building Permit:

- Witkowski Inspection Agency sent permit applications for D. Schneider for electrical work, D. Schmahl for replace siding on barn, and J. Henschel for sunroom with deck and stairs; board reviewed applications.
- Schmahl discussed option of having a zoning permit for agricultural buildings that house animals. Sample zoning permit application handed out.

Liquor/Operator Licenses: None.

Recycling Center: Nothing to report.

Constable Report:

- Constable spoke with E. Kurtz who was remodeling without a permit and would be fined if building permit was not obtained within one week of notification.
- Constable assisted with goats at large in township.

Town Roads:

- ARIP (Agricultural Road Improvement Program): Brett Glaeser from Ayres Engineering gave update on Holstein Road work. A topographical survey was done on entire Holstein Road. Soil borings will be done at the end of July/beginning of August with eight borings evenly spaced. Road design should be done by the end of the year.
- Discussed ditch cutting. Half of town roads will have full cut done, other half will have half cut done.
- Observed summer help was filling potholes in township.

Other Town Business: Nothing currently.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Ausloos, seconded by Schmahl. Meeting adjourned 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynette Mierzejewski
Town of Russell clerk