

T H E T O W N O F
MERRIMAC

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MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, March 4, 2020

Present were Charlie Hall, Interim - Chair, Supervisor John Gaedke, and Interim Supervisor Tim Healy, and Tim McCumber, Town Administrator & Clerk – Treasurer.

Chairman Hall called the **TOWN BOARD MEETING** to order. McCumber confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed. The board considered approval of minutes of the town board meeting of February 5, 2020. Motion by Gaedke to approve the minutes, second by Healy. Motion passed. The board reviewed the financial reports and approval of bills. Motion by Gaedke to approve, second by Healy. Motion passed. Under **PUBLIC COMMENT**, no one appeared. **CORRESPONDENCE** was received from the Sauk Prairie School District inviting representatives to the town for a dinner meeting on March 30, 2020 at 6:30pm in the District Office Board Room. Under **REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES** Spring Non-Partisan Election is Tuesday, April 7, 2020. The next town board meeting is April 22, 2020 to coincide with the Annual Town Meeting. McCumber spoke with Greg Brecka at Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation regarding a public meeting to discuss the rebuild of Hwy. 78 from Hwy. 113 into to the Village of Prairie du Sac in 2021. The meeting will be at 5pm on March 18, 2020 at the Village of Merrimac Hall. There was no **OLD BUSINESS**. Under **NEW BUSINESS**, the board discussed the Merrimac Area Fire District budget process. McCumber reported that last month it came to light that the town did not have the final budget and never approved those figures. The board approved a budget submitted at the September meeting. He reported that he calculates the fire district levy for the commission and shared the report with the commission treasurer, as well as Village of Merrimac and Town of Caledonia clerks before the October fire commission meeting. In February, the commission noticed that the levy collection was off. McCumber met with Denny Beich and spoke with Chief Chris Jensen together with Jensen on the phone. Due to levy limits, McCumber expressed concern about a budget shortage of about \$7k the town could not recover. They had since sold a truck since for more than they anticipated and felt they could do without the increase and they would report back to the commission. They also discussed having the commission treasurer send out those notices in October so the municipal boards have something official prior to setting their budgets in November. There was no action for the board to consider at this time. The board then considered a proposed contract from Wagner's Lawn Care to mow the town cemeteries with no increase from the prior year. Motion to approve by Gaedke, second by Healy. Motion approved.

Motion to adjourn by Gaedke, second by Healy. Motion approved.

Town Officers: Charlie Hall, Interim-Town Chair, 493-3140; Tim Healy, Interim-Supervisor 1, 493-2687; John Gaedke, Supervisor 2, 356-2301; Tim McCumber, Town Administrator and Clerk-Treasurer, Town Hall 493-2588 (**please, no calls at residence except for emergencies**). Assessor: Steve Mahlik, Equity Appraisal, LLC, 608/826-0009. Email address: townmerr@merr.com. Building permits are required in the Town of Merrimac. Contact Tim McCumber for permits and zoning regulations (tnadmin@merr.com). Town website: <http://www.tn.Merrimac.wi.gov>. Special Garbage Collection requests to Peterson Sanitation: 608/524-6603.

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