

TOWN OF UNION
MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING
Minutes of Wednesday, April 16, 2025

The Town of Union Monthly Board meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. on Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at the Town of Union Town Hall, 15531 W. Green Bay Rd., Evansville, WI, following the swearing in of newly elected officers. Members in attendance included Chairman Don Templeton; Supervisors Rich Templeton, Aaron Tachon and Mason Barber; Clerk Regina Riedel; Treasurer Jessica Nellen; Road Patrolman Jeff Wethal; and Plan Commission members Alvin Francis, Larry Meier, Pat Hartin and Derek Blume. Building Inspector Bob Fahey arrived late. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Clerk's Minutes (March 12, 2025)

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2025 meeting as written made by D. Templeton/Tachon. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's report

Treasurer Jessica Nellen reported balances as of March 31, 2025 (attached).

Noted that Midway Village Mobile Home Park paid their parking fees in full for the year, so that balance is higher than usual. The CD that the Town holds at Greenwoods Bank will mature and a decision will need to be made regarding what to do with the funds next month. Kendall Schneider is still a signer on bank accounts; this will need to be changed to D. Templeton.

Building Inspector's report

Building Inspector Bob Fahey was not in attendance; report of permits issued during March was read in by D. Templeton (attached).

Clerk Update

Clerk Regina Riedel stated that the assessor has requested holding open book via phone appointments this year. While normally very few residents attend open book, there is also a history of residents complaining about being able to get responses from the assessor via phone. The Board can request that open book be held in person. Board agreed that they would prefer open book in person; Riedel will relay to the assessor.

The proposed dates for open book and Board of Review are Tuesday, June 3, 2-4 p.m. (OB) and Wednesday, June 25, 4-6 p.m. (BOR). Board attendance at open book is not required, but a quorum of Board members is necessary at Board of Review. Board agreed to book those dates; Tachon will not be available for Board of Review.

Recycling Center Update

Ray Legris was not in attendance.

Tachon stated he has spoken to the spouse of the resident who is no longer allowed to utilize the services of the dump due to his behavior; she has asked if she can be allowed to resume using the dump instead of him. Board discussion: Barber has spoken with Legris regarding this request, and he was adamant neither be allowed back. Board agrees with this decision, and Tachon will relay the decision to the resident.

Regarding hiring a new Center attendant, Legris will review the applicants and meet with each, providing a recommendation to the Board for hire.

Fire District Updates

D. Templeton missed the last Brooklyn Fire District meeting; nothing to report per Barber. Kendall Schneider reported that the Evansville Fire District new engine is operational and new tools have been ordered. EFD is still in the process of hiring a new billing clerk.

Emergency Management Update

Barber reported that BFD recently hosted storm spotter training. He will update the Town emergency contact list for RCPW once Board membership is finalized.

Roadwork Update

Jeff Wethal updated the Board on roadwork estimates for Evansville-Brooklyn Road:

Six culverts will need replacement, at a total estimated cost of \$18,000. Several of the culverts are 36" and may be eligible for reimbursement.

Payne & Dolan has estimated roadwork costs at: full replacement of road \$448,000 (one mile); grind entire road and resurface \$204,000; grind high spots and butt joints and resurface \$170,000.

Shouldering costs will be additional and are hard to estimate.

Motion to approve proceeding with culvert replacements on Evansville-Brooklyn Road made by R. Templeton/Tachon. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Riedel will work with Wethal to prepare and publish the RFB for the roadwork.

Public Comment (5 min max per item, no action will be taken on any issues)

Alvin Francis would like a copy of the most recent version of Chapter 16, Land Division, as section 16.08 (19) section pertaining to the land division request coming up before the Plan Commission.

Board Action: Appointment of Individual to Town Board Supervisor Vacancy, To Complete Remainder of Term

Rich Templeton nominated Kendall Schneider.

Tachon stated that he spoke with legal counsel regarding process for filling vacancies; counsel stated that Boards normally let public do the speaking for them and appoint the next highest vote getter to vacant positions. Therefore, Tachon nominated Eric Bock, who ran for the Supervisor position.

Larry Meier nominated Derek Blume.

R. Templeton felt that Schneider was the obvious choice, given his years of service to the Town. D. Templeton would appreciate having Schneider on the Board for guidance.

Barber felt that Blume would be a great choice but agrees that keeping Schneider on as a mentor makes sense.

Ballot vote: 3 Schneider, 1 Bock, 0 Blume, 1 abstain

Kendall Schneider appointed to fill remainder of Supervisor term.

Update/Board Action: Ordinance Violations

Fahey will revisit both properties with violations on Croft Rd.

Mobile home park inspections for licensing will be coming up; it was agreed that it was not necessary for Board members to go along for initial inspections but can on reinspections, if any are required.

State Senator Mark Spreitzer presented Kendall Schneider with a plaque recognizing his years of service to the Town. State Assemblyman Clinton Anderson also presented Schneider with a plaque recognizing his service. Town Board members also recognized Schneider with a plaque.

Pay Bills

There being no further business to come before the Board, members reviewed and approved bills for payment and enjoyed snacks in honor of Schneider.

Town of Union Treasurer's Report March 2025

Prepared by: Jessica Nellen

Lake Ridge Bank - Checking			
Beginning Balance			\$709,814.32
	INCOME		
Refuse		\$2,586.00	YTD \$7,608.45
Dog License Fund from County		\$172.94	\$172.94
Dog licenses		\$38.00	\$244.00
MHP Tax		\$10,853.51	\$11,220.43
Building Permits		\$310.00	\$1,295.00
Land Division		\$750.00	\$750.00
Special Assessment Requests		\$140.00	\$700.00
ACH Mobile Home Lottery & Gaming Credit		\$4,822.59	\$4,822.59
Subtotal		\$19,673.04	
Interest earned	<i>Interest rate 4.54%</i>	\$2,621.41	\$19,407.70
Total Deposits			\$22,294.45
Total General Business			\$732,108.77
	EXPENSES		
Total Expenses			(75,215.02)
Available Balance 3/31/2025			\$656,893.75
Lake Ridge Bank - Escrow Account			
Balance 3/1/2024		\$8,806.33	
Interest APY 0.25%		\$1.87	\$5.44
Balance as of 3/31/2025			\$8,808.20
Wayne Disch Memorial Park fund			
Balance 3/1/2025		\$4,085.85	
Interest APY 0.25%		\$0.87	\$2.52
Balance as of 3/31/2025			\$4,086.72
Greenwoods State Bank - Morning Ridge Rd CD			
Balance as of 5/23/24		\$23,776.91	
Matures 5/23/25	Int at maturity		\$23,776.91
LGIP-Park & Rec Fund			
Balance 2/28/2025		\$11,439.54	
Interest-March 4.39%		\$42.64	\$123.48
Balance as of 3/31/2025			\$11,482.18
*Dump Balances			
Balance 2/28/2025		\$6,447.95	
Revenue		\$2,586.00	
Expenses (Feb & Mar)		(5139.96)	
Balance as of 3/31/2025			\$3,893.99

