

T H E T O W N O F
MERRIMAC

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MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, September 3, 2014

Present were Town Chair Steve Peetz, Supervisor Terry Frosch, and Supervisor John Gaedke Also present was Tim McCumber, Town Administrator & Clerk – Treasurer.

Chairman Peetz 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 August 13, 2014. Motion by Gaedke to approve the minutes, second by Peetz. Motion passed. The board reviewed the financial reports and approval of bills. Motion by Frosch to approve, second by Gaedke. Motion passed. Under **PUBLIC COMMENT**, Richard Grant, Baltic Ave., requested an opportunity to speak during Jordan Blue's presentation. He also complained that there are a lot of real estate and political signs in the public right-of-way and it makes the town look like a mess. Laura Olah, Citizens for Safe Water at Badger (CSWAB) thanked Steve for attending the Army's last Restoration Advisory Board (RAB). She met with a group of people to discuss concerns they still have including increasing the testing for ethyl ether along Keller Road in the Town of Sumpter. She reports that people in attendance would also like to see more frequent public meetings; they had questions about what wells are being tested and what they are being tested for; and they also have concerns about what the Army's responsibility is after they are done with the cleanup. She plans to meet with the Mark Aquino at the DNR and wanted to note that it is not lobbying despite concerns brought up in the past by Tim McCumber. Under **REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**, McCumber presented a preliminary 2015 Budget draft for discussion at next month's meeting, he also reported that Scott's Appraisal has completed their assessment of Devil's Head. McCumber will also contact Denny Beich to see what we can do to put up a new rope for the flag pole which broke. There was no **OLD BUSINESS**. Under **NEW BUSINESS**, the board first considered a proposal for an Eagle Scout project performing maintenance on the handicap ramp and other projects by Jesse Gaedke. Jesse Gaedke has stained the handicap ramp and placed non-skid strips and had that finished that prior to the primary election. He also plans to fix the handicap sign, the town hall sign, and the ramp lip. He plans to spend \$575. McCumber reported that because the work handicap ramp had to be completed before the election, he authorized the work as it would fall well into the building maintenance budget and was required by the Government Accountability Board (GAB). Motion by Peetz to approve the balance of the project. Second by Frosch. The board then considered a proposal for an Eagle Scout project to construct benches for Richard A. Grant Park by Jordan Blue. He would like to construct two park benches for the park not to exceed \$1,700. The plan is to have a concrete slab to minimize mowing around it. It would be made of cement and composite wood. He'll bring the final plans to the town board. Motion to approve a preliminary concept by Peetz, second by Frosch.

Motion to adjourn by Frosch, second by Peetz. Motion approved.

Town Officers: Steve Peetz, Chair, (608) 225-3110; Terry Frosch, Supervisor, 493-2891; Tim Healy, 356-2301; Interim Supervisor, 493-2687; Tim McCumber, Town Administrator and Clerk-Treasurer, 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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