

T H E T O W N O F
MERRIMAC

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MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, March 2, 2011

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

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 February 2, 2010. Motion by Peetz to approve, second by Frosch. Motion passed. The board reviewed the financial reports and approval of bills. Motion by Peetz to approve, second Frosch. Motion passed. Under **PUBLIC COMMENT**, no one appeared. There was no **CORRESPONDENCE**. Under **REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**, McCumber announced that that the Spring Election is April 5, 2011 and that the next Town Board meeting will be held in conjunction with the Annual Town Meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 2011 per statute. There was no **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**. Under **NEW BUSINESS**, the board considered discontinuing the Special Zoning Administrator position. McCumber noted that the Court of Appeals upheld the judge's decision in the Kassner vs. Board of Appeals case and that the Kassner's did not appeal that decision. As the case is resolved for the moment, the Special Zoning Administrator's position held by Mary Carol Solum is not needed at this time. Motion by Frosch to discontinued the position, second by Gaedke. Motion passed. The board then discussed setting a date for Spring Clean Up Day. May 21st was selected by unanimous consent and Peetz asked that the signage states there is no early dumping. Peetz reported that early dumpers have been making a serious mess and makes it difficult to organize the trash to conserve space in the dumpsters. A special agenda item to discuss the Sauk Prairie Chamber of Commerce's branding campaign was then discussed. McCumber presented proposed entrance signs and banners that would tie the area together with Sauk Prairie for tourism promotion. McCumber needs to get approval to hang the banners on Alliant poles, but would like to have businesses sponsor them. There are also entrance signs that would be more attractive than the green ones we currently have. The promotion will also included directional signs in Sauk Prairie directing Hwy. 12 traffic up Hwy. 78 to the Merrimac Ferry and Devil's Lake State Park. The cost to the town would be about \$4,500 plus installation. Peetz asked where the funding would come. McCumber recommended the highway fund. Peetz questioned if the park fund could be used. McCumber said that there are funds in the park fund that came from development fees and that those funds could be allocated for this. A motion was made to spend up to \$4,500 plus installation from the development fees on the program, by Gaedke, second by Frosch. Motion passed.

Motion by Frosch to adjourn. Second by Gaedke. Motion passed.

Town Officers: Steve Peetz, Chair, 493-2669 or cell 608-225-3110; Terry Frosch, Supervisor, 493-2891; John Gaedke, 356-2301; Supervisor; Tim McCumber, Town Administrator and Clerk-Treasurer, 493-2588 (**please, no calls at residence**). 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. If you need to report a non-life threatening emergency, such as a tree blocking the road, call the Sheriff's non-emergency dispatch number 356-4895.

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