

Annual Meeting Minutes
Town of Milltown
Clerk, PO Boc 475, Milltown, WI 54858
715-566-0916
April 21, 2026, 7:00 p.m.
Milltown Town Hall

- I) Meeting called to order by the Town Chairperson and the Town Clerk will record the minutes.
Mike Dau called April 21, 2026, Annual Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Board Members Present: Mike Dau, Jon Eckel, Keith Zygowicz, Mark Engelhardt, Cheryl Kloehn
Others Present: Heidi Murphy, Renee Dau, Carol Zygowicz, Frank Rau, J. Gary Lilyquist, Steve Hilleshiem, Doug Bergstrom, Dave Beaulieu, Rick & Tiffany Regnier, Dick and Laura Jensen.
- II) Voter rules at the Annual Meeting: The Chairperson will call for a voice vote on motions, unless the Chairperson or any Town Resident requests vote by hand, standing, or paper ballot. There is no absentee voting at the annual meeting.
- III) Additions or Changes to the Agenda: Jon Eckel made a motion to change date from April 20th to 21st, 2026 and approve the agenda. Keith Zygowicz seconded. Passed.
- IV) Prior year's Annual Meeting minutes and motion to accept or amend: Clerk, Cheryl Kloehn read April 22, 2025, minutes. J. Gary Lilyquist made a motion to approve the 2025 minutes Renee Dau seconded the motion. Passed.
- V) Financial Report
- a. Financial and Budget Report: Clerk reported the financial report is through March 31, 2026. Clerk reported Town of Milltown switched banks in late 2025 from Frandsen Bank to Sterling Bank with a better interest rate. Clerk reported P&L from January 2025 through December 2025 and January 2026 through March 2026. Clerk reported that an audit is being completed for 2025 and when completed a final P&L will be presented. Taxes collected were approximately \$1.2M with other revenues from the state for a total of \$1,589,701.59 total revenue. Total expenses of \$1,829,494.20. J Gary Lilyquist stat that the total debt was approximately \$1.2M with outlay of approximately \$225,325.80. Gary asked if the board agrees with the outlay. Dave Beaulieu asked if the \$1.2M included the building, answer is it includes the building truck and mower.
- b. Liabilities: Clerk reported that on the mower only 2 payments of \$16,227.74 left, truck payments 7 payments of \$33,409.94 left and building payments go through April 2032. Dave Beaulieu asked how the payments are being made and if the board considered paying at a more accerlated rate, like monthly, quarterly, to save interest. Clerk reported that the payments are made twice a year, in April and October. Jon Eckel suggested that the Clerk check into the interest saved from paying the loans monthly, quarterly, semi annually compared to the interest earned.
Jon Eckel made a motion to accept the financial report, budget report and current liabilities. Keith Zygowicz seconded the motion. Passed.
- VI) Maintenance Report

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Frank Rau reported crack fill should be done by the next week. Maintenance has all the chip rock for chip sealing the roads. Starting hauling gravel, grading, patching, general spring repairs. Trimming of brush is done and ditch mowing starts on June 12, 2026. Beach is open and docks are in, bathrooms are open.

J. Gary Lilyquist asked where the town is at for the truck replacement. Frank Rau reported that the Town of Milltown is on a 5 year for replacing trucks. Mike Dau stated that a new truck will be looked at in 2027 or 2028. The 1 ton is in good shape, according to Frank Rau. J. Gary Lilyquist asked if the grader is in good shape, Frank Rau reported that they checked the oil, it has a blow by and to fix that, an in chassis rebuild would have to be done or a crate motor which would be approximately \$40,000. Dave Beaulieu asked if the board has considered if the grader cannot be used anymore, if Town of Milltown contracts with another contractor to do the grading with the 11 miles of gravel road in the Town of Milltown. Board will look into a contractor for grading the roads. Dave Beaulieu suggested that the town knows what it costs to run each piece of equipment.

VII) Other Business

- a. Road Report: Frank Rau reported for 2026 11 miles of crack fill and 8.5 miles of chip sealing will be completed. Blacktop projects include 145th St from 235th Ave to 240th Ave (this project includes working with Town and Village of Luck) which save the Milltown Township approximately \$5000 or more. 190th Ave from 191st St to 130th St., 188th Ave from 145th St to 185th., 170th St from 190th Ave to 200th Ave. In 2027 190th Ave. from Hwy 35 to Hwy 46 will be blacktopped using a grant that was awarded to the Town of Milltown. Nine culverts need to be replaced, and the road will be shut down.
- b. Backhoe: Mike Dau reported that having a backhoe would help the township from not borrowing from other townships consistently. Frank Rau stated the following reasons for buying a backhoe: 1. When a backhoe is needed, need to borrow from Eureka and they may be using. Not fair to other townships to borrow multiple times in a year. Eureka drives 6 miles to bring to Milltown to use. 2. Checked with a contractor to help replace culvert and cost starts at \$2000 and depends on the depth of culvert and maintenance crew will have to be there to bring materials and help. 3. Will help is cleaning the debris out of the ditches. 4. Rental on a backhoe is approximately \$4300 to \$5000 per month with 135 hours of time. 4. Longevity of a backhoe is 20 years plus if maintained correctly.

Jon Eckel made a comment that in the past on average when hiring a contractor for culvert work, the cost would be \$3000 to \$5000 per culvert. Question was asked how long before we will receive the backhoe, John Deere is 60 days and Cat a couple of weeks. J. Gary Lilyquist made a motion to purchase a backhoe with Town of Milltown

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Board making the decision on the selection of the backhoe, size, shape, etc. Doug Bergstrom seconded the motion. Passed.

VIII) Set the date for the 2027 Annual Meeting

Third Tuesday of April 2027 is April 20, 2027

X) Adjournment:

Jon Eckl made a motion to adjourn the April 21, 2026, annual meeting at 8:15 pm. Keith Zygowicz seconded the motion. Passed.

Cheryl Kloehn, Clerk

WI State Statute Sec 60.11(5)