

Town of Merton
Town Board Meeting
Minutes of August 11, 2025

- Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Klink 6:30 pm
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Klink
- Minutes of July 28, 2025. A motion to approve the July 28, 2025 minutes was made by Herrick/Olson. Motion carried.

Present: Chairman Klink, Supervisors Herrick, Olson, Fleming and Krogmann, DPW Director Griffin, Attorney Hammes and Clerk Hann. Absent: Treasurer Kempen
Also, in attendance: David Woyak, Jeff Wesell, Nancy Schulz, Mary Schulz, Mark Asmus, Butch Schulz, Tim Tremmel, Monika Hartl, Rick Zimberic, Carol & Stan Chmielewski, Jack & Jeanne Frederickson, Chief Wraalstad

Citizen Comments and Concerns: Stan Chmielewski talked about Wake Waives/Wake Boats and saving Lake Keesus. Carol Chmielewski talked about Wake Boats and her concerns. Monika Hartl talked about the minutes from June 9 and the public comment section. She stated the survey showed a majority of people showed they wanted to change the town ordinance. Chairman Klink stated the Town is looking into Wake Boating/Wake Enhancement and suggested that the residents talk to the wake boat owners to follow the current recommended usage. The Town wants to make sure if anything is done to limit/ban/restrict wake enhanced boating, it is done legally. Chairman thanked the residents for their information and input. Chief Wraalstad did not have anything major to report and did review the ATV/UTV Ordinance that will be talked about later.

Old Business:

Discussion and possible action on an ATV / UTV Ordinance. Attorney Hammes reviewed all the sections of the ATV/UTV Ordinance for the board. DPW Director Griffin stated the ATV/UTV club is responsible for the signs and would work with the town. Attorney Hammes commented on the high points of the ordinance. He referenced Wis. Stats. §§ 23.33, 61.34, 349.11(11) and the Wisconsin Administrative Code NR 64. He stated that routes will not open until properly signed. No person under 16 may operate an ATV/UTV; Operators born after Jan. 1, 1988 must have an ATV Safety Certificate; Protective headgear for person under 18 per the statute; Driver license is required along with Insurance & Registration. ATV/UTV shall have white headlights, red taillights, and brake lights. Hand signals are required if not equipped with turn signals. No operation of ATV/UTV between the hours of 10 PM and 6 AM. A golf cart is not an ATV/UTV and not allowed. There was an addition that there is During snowfall ATV/UTV shall not obstruct or impede a snowplows standard operation in any way and must yield and give way to the snowplow. DPW Director stated that the UTV/ATV clubs will sign the routes with proper approve of the DPW Department and Law Enforcement. A motion to approve the ATV/UTV Ordinance was made by Herrick/Olson. Chairman Klink thanked the members that worked on the committee for the Town. Motion carried.

Discussion and Possible Action Cost Estimates Town Hall Closet Addition. Supervisor Fleming reviewed the work and Clerk Hann presented the estimates. A motion to approve the cost estimates for the Closet Addition was made by Herrick/Krogmann. Motion carried.

New Business:

Consider/Act on Intermunicipal Agreement Between the Village of Lisbon and the Town of Merton to Utilize the Village of Lisbon Compost Site on Lands Owned by Payne & Dolan. Clerk Hann explained the renewal of the Compost Site with the Village of Lisbon. The Village is increasing the cost the Town of Merton has to pay the Village of Lisbon from \$20 to \$22 per compost pass in addition to 1/3 of the wages between the Village of Lisbon and the Village of Merton. Clerk Hann is recommending renewing the contract with the increase fee, however recommends review the increase cost when we review all town fees for 2026 to see if we need to increase the annual fee. A motion to approve the Intermunicipal Agreement Between the Village of Lisbon and the Town of Merton to Utilize the Village Compost Site was made by Fleming/Krogman. Motion carried.

Consider/Act on 50th Class Reunion @ Hanson's Pub & Barn. A motion to approve the Special Event for Hanson's Pub & Barn was made by Fleming/Olson. Motion carried.

Consider/Act on Harvest Festival @ North Lake Fireman's Park, September 20. A motion to approve the Special Event for Harvest was made by Herrick/Fleming. Motion carried.

Clerk, Board, Highway, Treasurer and Attorney Reports. Herrick stated he has a North Lake Management District meeting. DPW Director stated that seal coating is done and all the lakes are at slow no wake and some roads have water on them. Peterson Road is closed as water continues to rise in that area and Road O was pumped twice. Fleming stated there was some washout on the trail over by North Lake School. Clerk Hann reminded the Town Board of Board of Review on August 28 and that she will be out to the Clerk Conference August 19 to August 22. Chairman Klink stated that there was a staff meeting and it was discussed to doing a check sheet for CSM's etc.

Vouchers as Presented - A motion to approve the vouchers as presented was made by Herrick/Olson. Motion carried.

Adjourn - A motion to adjourn was made by Fleming/Olson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Donna Hann, Town Clerk