

TOWN OF FRIENDSHIP MEETING MINUTES
May 21, 2025

Supervisor Hall calls meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance observed by all.

Roll call: Supervisor: Russell Hall-present
Councilperson: Dave Norton-present
Councilperson: Linda Mascho-present
Councilperson Carolyn Carney-present
Councilperson- Ken Burdick-present

Also present: Patricia Schurr-Town Clerk

Assemblage: Jim Monheim, George Ritter, Oakley Sortore, Scott Lanpher from MTS, BJ Howe.

Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from April 16, 2025, offered by Linda Mascho, seconded by David Norton. All approve.

Motion to approve the Audited Bills for April, 16, 2025, in the amount of \$76,354.40, offered by Ken Burdick, seconded by Linda Mascho.

Roll call vote: Dave Norton-aye
Ken Burdick-aye
Linda Mascho-aye
Carolyn Carney-aye
Russ Hall-aye

Motion to approve the Supervisor's Report for April 2025, offered by Carolyn Carney, seconded by Linda Mascho. All approve.

SUPERVISOR'S CONCERNS: Dog Control- Supervisor Hall advised the Town is still looking for a Dog Control officer. It was suggested a dog control officer from Scio, Ron Harms, Russ advised he would check into this.

****The present owner from Barn and lot behind the Holly farms 182.12-2-60.2 has not contacted the Town regarding donation of this parcel. The Town will put this on hold for now, unless the owner contacts the Town again about donating it.**

PUBLIC CONCERNS-

Scott Lanpher Owner of MTS, is present and says they want to pay for the water they use at the ambulance bay. He will come into the Town Hall to transfer the Water over. He also says that he wants to buy the gas ambulance. Supervisor Hall had someone else that was interested in it, and he would check to see if they were still interested, if not than MTS could buy it from the Town. Scott Lanpher stated he would give \$30,000.00 for it. As for the diesel ambulance, per Oakley Sortore, the Water Dept. could use it. They could use it to respond when there are water leaks.

After the Board discussion the following Motion was set forth:

Motion to transfer the diesel ambulance to the Water Dept. for use, offered by Carolyn Carney, seconded by Ken Burdick. All approve.

Motion to approve Compass Web Development (Dylan Dirlam) to change over the Town Website to the mandated .gov, and to have the Supervisor authorize the change over, project cost \$625.00, Annual Fees \$105.00

plus .gov email add-on's. Russ wants the option to have up to 24 emails if needed totaling \$960.00. All government Town Business has to be on .gov. Supervisor Hall will get in contact with Dylan to proceed) offered by Linda Mascho, seconded by Carolyn Carney.

Roll call vote: Carolyn Carney-aye

Linda Mascho-aye

David Norton-aye

Ken Burdick-aye

Russell Hall-aye

Town Hall Step repair- Supervisor Hall advises the Town has one quote on the repair of The entrance Town Hall steps. He wants at least 2 more estimates before proceeding, this is an emergency repair since it has to do with the steps going into the Town Hall, so it should be fixed asap.

Motion to approve the Annual Williamson Law Town Clerk Software renewal in the amount of \$1005.00 (increase of 48.00 from last year), offered by Dave Norton, seconded by Ken Burdick. All approve.

Memorial Day

Motion to approve the Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 26, 2025, Starting at 10am ending up in front of the library for a memorial, offered by Carolyn Carney, seconded by Linda Mascho. OIC BJ Howe made aware of parade that day for police escort, he is still working for an officer that day.

HIGHWAY DEPT.

**George Ritter has appointed Todd Wallace as his Deputy Highway Superintendent. Ad put in the paper for Machine Equipment Operator, may have to look at the local Residency Law.

**Oakley Sortore-Public Works/Water/Sewers/Parks

Trying to fix the camera on the Sewer jetter. To buy a new one it is \$16,000.

The Sewer Plant leaks when it rains.

The Ambulance bay roof leaked. The will be looked at to see what needs to be done to fix it.

4-6 Depot St. tabled from April's meeting- requesting \$632.16 (for water meters) forgiveness. Depot Street Bldg. debris update.

Board discussion about this, and Supervisor Hall advised the Land Bank was willing to take it over if the owner will sign it over. The Land bank would clean up the debris. Supervisor Hall stated then it would be good if they gave it to the Town, they could use it for parking and or the Fire Dept. had voiced they could use it for parking. The owner has had enough time to respond or clean it up. Either he should clean it up, sign it over, if not start getting notifications and or citations from the code enforcement officer. The fire was Jan. 2025.

The Land bank has also decided to take over the Main Street Store fronts, the Engineer said that the property was savable, had a positive report. The Land bank wants to refurbish into Store fronts and apartments; they have the funds to do it.

Motion to approve a sewer credit to acct. #0730 for 15,000 gallons of water for a Line that had frozen & broke, credit to sewer o/m \$108.00 offered by Carolyn Carney, Seconded by Linda Mascho. This is for April-June billing.

Resolution-

Be it hereby resolved that **No utility Companies** can have access to put in Or bury cables in the Towns right of ways, offered by_____, seconded by_____. **This will be tabled, and the Supervisor will get in Touch with the Attorney and have something drawn up maybe a local law. The Town needs to be able to maintain their infrastructure.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS RECEIVED

Town Clerk Report- April 2025

Highway Dept.-April 2025

Water Report-

Police Report-

Municipal dog shelter report

8:03 Motion to Adjourn, offered by Ken Burdick, seconded by Linda Mascho.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Schurr
Town Clerk