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August Meeting Minutes

Date: August 12, 2025

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Mentor Town Hall

N3049 King Street

Chairman Gile called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Chairman Gile, Supervisor 2, Will Scholze, and the Deputy Clerk were present.

Supervisor 1, Gween Lunderville, and Clerk-Treasurer, Jack Ikhtiari were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Verification of posting in 3 places

Previous month's minutes were read. Supervisor 2, Will Scholze made a motion to accept the July 2025 minutes with the typo correction. Chairman Gile 2nd the motion. Motion was carried.

Treasurer report was read. Chairman Gile made a motion to accept this month's bills starting with check number 16805 through number 16832, including all E-Pays. Supervisor 2, Will Scholze 2nd the motion. Motion was carried.

Reports & Correspondence from Officers:

- Shop Employee Dean Tande retired. The Town hired Noah Heiden for the open shop worker position.
- The applications for the open shop position were turned over from Chairman Gile to the Deputy Clerk.
- There is a Town Employee handbook in the works.
- The minutes from the Special Closed Meeting held on August 1, 2025, were given to the Deputy Clerk by Chairman Gile.

Agenda items:

- a) 2nd Quarter Budget Review Supervisor 2, Will Scholze questioned the building utilities expense. The Town has used 83% of the funds allotted for this category. There was discussion regarding increased utility prices, as well as the reimbursement from the Fire District for the Fire Hall portion. There was also discussion regarding the Town vehicle and equipment maintenance. The one-ton pickup and the grader are each in need of a new tire. Chairman Gile made a motion to accept the 2nd Quarter Budget as-is. Supervisor 2, Will Scholze 2nd the motion. Motion was carried.
- b) GFL Update Chairman Gile was able to negotiate with GFL to drop the price per month, per resident to \$1.00 for the large recycling bins with the condition of residents refraining from putting out excess garbage for pick up. There will be a new count coming

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early 2026 of how many properties are currently being picked up. Chairman Gile opened this topic to the floor for input. The consensus was to wait until the current contract ends to negotiate terms and make new decisions regarding this topic. The Town Board decided not to move on agenda item b.

- c) Square Rd. and Walkers Rd. Chairman Gile would like to remove this item from the agenda. The Town would like to focus efforts on higher traffic roads. The Board will not move on agenda item c.
- d) Bridge Update Chairman Gile attended a pre-construction meeting on August 6, 2025. The Bridge construction is planned to start on August 18, 2025. Xcel Energy has to remove their power line before construction can start. The meeting minutes from the pre-construction meeting were given to the Deputy Clerk by Chairman Gile. The Clerk Treasurer will have to provide Chairman Gile with copies of the checks issued for the bridge project by March 2026, to apply for the County grants.
- e) Maintenance Reporting There was discussion regarding Town employees attending the monthly meetings to report updates to the Board and the community. This will be a topic in the upcoming Employee Handbook. This agenda item is tabled for the September meeting.
- f) Board Attendance This agenda item is tabled for the September meeting.

General discussion

- Chairman Gile provided an update for the Prindle property. The property is now owned by Pat Murphy. Mr. Murphy will be hauling the remaining personal items on the property to Mr. Prindle's new property in Melrose.
- Chairman Gile provided an update on Ordinance 135, regarding alleyways. The Town has not heard back from the Attorney. This topic is currently tabled.
- Sue Larson stated the Cemetery Committee is asking the Town to take over the
 maintenance and record keeping of the Mentor Cemetery. There will be a Cemetery
 Committee meeting on September 4, 2025, at 6 p.m. held at the Mentor Town Hall where
 this topic will be addressed. According to State Statute the Township will have to assume
 responsibility but can create its own committee.
- The Town road shoulders will be mowed in the next couple of weeks. There will be 2 passes.

Chairman Gile adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Dated this 13th day of August 2025, Jack Ikhtiari Sr, Clerk /Treasurer