

TOWN OF HELVETIA MINUTES

For May 6, 2025

The regular meeting of the Town Board was held at the Town Hall, and was called to order by Chairman, Jeff Oppor at 7:00 PM. All Town board members were present except Clerk, Doug Hines Deputy Clerk Teresa Balinski took minutes, 7 town residents were in attendance along with surveyor Aaron Parks.

The Board cited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by Jeff Oppor, Chairman, and approved with a motion by Mike Grassl, 2nd by Justin Hintz. Town bills were approved and paid with a motion by Justin Hintz, 2nd by Mike Grassl.

The Treasurers reports were given and approved with a motion by Mike Grassl, 2nd by Justin Hintz.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Investment Pool interest from 2024 was \$4937.30 with rates averaging between high of 5.42% to low of 4.72%. So far in 2025 the rates have ranged between high of 4.61% low of 4.39%. Table for next month so that we can get rates for CD through the bank.
- Comprehensive planning.
 - Yah's Refuge LLC-some movement of trash and brush has been observed. The board will not make any additional decisions until the property is completely cleaned up.
 - Oppor/Olson approved and being processed at the county level.
 - Jones- in process meeting June 3, 2025
 - Tennesen-Combining two parcels into one, approved, Aaron Parks surveyor was at the meeting to have survey signed.
- Dave Loken Rural Mutual Insurance. Dave went through the current insurance policy and recommended increasing the coverage for the buildings from \$385,001 to \$500,000 for an additional \$81 per year and keeping the deductible at \$250. Dave will also send information about raising the liability to \$3,000,000 currently at \$2,000,000. The township does currently have an umbrella policy for an additional \$1,000,000. Dave Loken also discussed the importance of having a signed lease for hall rentals to help with liability.
- Reviewed initial draft of postcard to be sent to township residents for township wide garbage pickup. Board members and residents would like to see the postcard to include that it is a 5-year agreement, a set return by date for the postcard and an estimated cost. Liane sent a message to Mark Sether to get a number of how many properties. Once that number is received Jeff Oppor will try to get an estimated cost per home for garbage pickup. Jeff will also check if payments for service can be 6 months up front and then every 6 months after initial payment.
- Board of review scheduled for May, 8, 2025
- WTA scheduled May 15, 2025
- Jeff Oppor attended Fire/Ambulance meeting on May 1, 2025. No new business, ambulance is on order for 2027.
- Justin Hintz attended the CWEC meeting. Project that they are planning, that will affect the Township of Helvetia is the replacing of a section of 3 phase along Highway 161. They would also like to see all the townships have an emergency management plan in place and type up with

whom to call and in what order. They also stressed the importance of staying away from down lines until they are cleared by CWEC as well as reporting any construction projects in advance to Tyler.

- Tom Ostrowski inquired about purchasing a parcel of land owned by the Township of Helvetia. Justin Hintz told Tom to write a letter for the board or come to a board meeting to discuss it further.

Roads:

- Faulks will be starting to pulverize Carper, Astrud & Moen Lake Retreat roads next week.
- Scott's Construction- no start date for seal coating of Netzer Road, Lutz Road and Aasen Road.
- Chad Bestul has started patching, grading roads as needed
- Waupaca County Highway Dept will fill the hole on Campbell Lake Road by Cross Road and fix the bad spot on Swamp Road
- Road signs being replaced as needed
- Ditch clean up by town board is done

Planning Commission: Gary Prill was present but had nothing additional to discuss.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

Next meeting Tuesday June 3rd, 2025 at 7:00PM.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mike Grassl, 2nd by Justin Hintz.

Meeting Adjourned.

Teresa Balinski,
Deputy Clerk