

Town of Rock
Board Meeting
August 14, 2025
Town Hall

CALL TO ORDER: The August 2025 Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Winistorfer at 7:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Pete Winistorfer; Mark Katzenberger; Louis Krainz; John Zahradka; Jason Krenn; Jill Wrensch, Clerk; Lisa Anderson, Treasurer; Lori Zahradka, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT:, An attendance list is on file in the Clerk's office.

MINUTES: The minutes of the July 10, 2025 Board Meeting were read by the clerk.

Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by John Zahradka to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2025 meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Lizz Drexler commented that numerous Board and Zoning members live in an area that was previously affected by the mining and she felt the proposed zoning is a slap in the face to those that fought for water and air quality at that time.
- Gary Varsho had a couple of comments about the property in litigation and Pete Winistorfer said no decisions have been made and he has divulged all he can at this time. Gary also asked if there were any plans to prevent wind towers in the Township and Pete said that would be addressed in the future, but that the zoning was the top priority right now.
- Randy Bryant suggested that the Board consider having the attorney come to one of the meetings to address the questions of the crowd.
- Kay Varsho commented that even though residents were told they are welcome at the meetings, she personally felt they were not wanted here.
- Erik Staab inquired about seeing the full zoning document and Pete Winistorfer said the committee wanted it reviewed by the attorneys before being presented. Erik asked how long that process is and Pete responded that he was told 6-8 weeks.
- Kathy Brooks asked about the intersection of Robin Rd and Patton Dr and Pete indicated that was on the agenda for later and would be addressed.
- Kay Varsho mentioned a big hole on Bluff Dr. Pete said they've tried putting asphalt in it, but it goes away. The section will need to be cut away to be repaired.
- Pete Winistorfer commented that he appreciates everyone being in attendance. He then remarked that there is a Facebook page that is not affiliated with the Town of Rock or its officials but was presenting itself like it was and posting non-factual information. He recommended that the administrators of that page cease the current activity.

CONSTABLE: Bob Reed was not able to attend the meeting but reported to Pete Winistorfer that two dogs were found in the past two weeks. One of them was returned to the owner and the other was taken to MAPS where it was claimed by its owner.

PLANNING: Larry Gilbertson issued two permits in the past month – one for a dwelling and one for a garage build. Aimee Zahradka said the Planning Commission met on June 25th and July 30th, while the Restructuring Committee has not met since June.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Diane Gilbertson said that the Department dress shirts came in and were getting the patches put on. There will be a meeting with the Sherrif's Department next week on training.

LINDSEY PARK: Rob Zahradka said there's been a few rentals recently. He asked about keeping the tetherball pole in because the ball keeps getting ripped off and was told he could just take it down.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The July 2025 Treasurer's Report was presented by Lisa Anderson. Lisa had also prepared a report on the Park funds and the Tanker that she explained. There are currently no segregated funds for vehicle replacement, but there is \$10,000 each year in the Fire Department budget.

Motion by Jason Krenn; Second by Louis Krainz to approve the July 2025 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Appointment of Board of Appeals Members – The members for the Board of Appeals include Lori Zahradka, Margot Jones, Kathy Brooks and Ryan Carolfi. One Board member is required to be a member, and Mark Katzenberger will fill that position. There was a question whether the terms should be 2 and 3 years or 3 and 5 years and it was decided that it could be discussed at a later time.

Motion by Louis Krainz; Second by Jason Krenn to approve the Board of Appeals members as listed. Motion Carried.

Intersection Brush Cutting – The intersection of Robin Rd and Patton Dr is grown up and unsafe. Pete Winistorfer drove around and saw 7 intersections that needed attention. He contacted Shred It Mulching out of Auburndale and got a quote. They charge \$1,600 per day for an 8-hour day with a \$900 minimum. The two contractors we've normally used are unavailable.

Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by Jason Krenn to hire Shred It Mulching to take care of the intersections.

Agricultural Snow Fence – A few years ago, Pete Winistorfer had spoken with some of the local farmers about leaving some of their corn crops up to act as a snow break for the roads. He was looking for consent to speak with them this year and get some prices and the Board approved.

Road Funding Grant Application – The road funding grant that Pete applied for last year was not successful and asked the Board if they wanted him to try again and they agreed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Park Cameras – One camera is up and operational currently – it covers the driveway.

Cemetery – Dave Cattanach told Rob Zahradka that a workday is being planned for Saturday, September 27th at the cemetery to take care of various items. Volunteers will be welcome.

CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER:

- Pete Winistorfer received a phone call from Wood County Land Conservation about a property in Town of Richfield near Clark Dr and Lincoln Ave. They asked if Town of Rock could place rip rap on our side of culverts to help the waterways and Pete told them no because we must protect our roads.

- Pete was contacted by Marshfield Utilities about putting a pole in by the cemetery driveway and requesting an easement. It was mentioned that if we used a cemetery sign to protect their wire, they'd put it in.
- The WTA meeting will be tomorrow night at the Rock Town Hall. Roland Hawk from Wood County will be the speaker instead of Ken Heiman, who had another obligation to attend.
- Pete said that if anyone needs a new fire number for their property they should contact him.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by John Zahradka to certify the bills for payment. Motion Carried.

AUDIT OF BOOKS: The audit of the books for April through June 2025 was conducted and all was found to be in order.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Jason Krenn; Second by Mark Katzenberger to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 pm. Motion Carried.

Jill Wensch, Town Clerk