

**TOWN OF NEWTON  
MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 11, 2026**

The 02/11/26 meeting of the Town of Newton was called to order by Chairperson Thomas at 5:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 6532 Carstens Lake Rd, Manitowoc.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called and members present were Denise Thomas – Chairperson, Kevin Behnke – Supervisor 1, Edward Downing – Supervisor 2, Alyssa Grotegut – Clerk, Paulette Vogt – Treasurer, Dave Mueller – Road Supervisor/Law Enforcement Officer.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA – APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Supervisor Downing made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Behnke. All approved, motion carried. Supervisor Behnke made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes, seconded by Supervisor Downing. All approved, motion carried.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Supervisor Behnke made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Supervisor Downing, all approved motion carried.

**KELLER UPDATE**

Devin and Hayden from Keller provided the Board with progress of the project, costs for a few utilities and more upcoming costs. March 3<sup>rd</sup> subcontractors will be back on site. Chairperson Thomas made a motion to approve paying WPS for \$25,750 for electric and \$9250 for gas, seconded by Supervisor Behnke seconded. All approved, motion carried. Chairperson Thomas made a motion to approved paying Keller their monthly invoice for \$169,948.80, seconded by Supervisor Downing. All approved, motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Melissa Hibbard spoke to the Board about an on-going dog issue with their neighbor's dog continuously going on to their property and their fear of safety due to this. Public input was then closed.

**REPORTS**

*Road Supervisor* – He submitted his report prior to the meeting. The DNR well updates are taken care of. B&B Metals gave the recycling center a scrap metal box with no steps. Third Gen owes us money for scrap.

*Law Enforcement* – He submitted his report prior to the meeting, a few more dog calls and concerns about motorcycle racing on Carsten's Lake.

*Zoning Administrator* – He submitted his report prior to the meeting, there were no questions.

*Supervisor 1* – Requested the attorney send a letter to the Mayor and City Counsel of Manitowoc on the liability they are under for City Water Project with Hydrants so close to the road. The 90/10 LSSIP Application was discussed.

*Supervisor 2* – Supervisor Downing brought up Road Projects for S 26<sup>th</sup> St and suggested we clean up the attic and destroy records that are passed the retention period.

*Chairperson* – Chairperson Thomas made a motion to appoint Nick Hertzfeldt and Scott Konik on Plan Commission and Mike Waack and Steve Fischer on Board of Appeals, seconded by Supervisor Downing. All approved, motion carried. Supervisor Behnke made a motion to approve the Building Inspector Contract, seconded by Supervisor Downing. All approved, motion carried. Chairperson Thomas discussed putting the appointed Treasurer position on the Annual Meeting agenda. Chairperson Thomas updated everyone on the Cleveland State Bank.

*Clerk* – Supervisor Downing made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Supervisor Behnke. All approved, motion carried.

**MEETING DATES**

Monthly Town Meeting – March 5, 2026 @ 5:00 p.m.

Monthly Town Meeting – April 20, 2026 @ 5:00 p.m.

Annual Town Meeting – April 21, 2026 – Meal @ 6:00 p.m.

Open Book – May 4, 2026 @ 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Board of Review – May 12, 2026 @ 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

With no further discussion, Supervisor Behnke made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Supervisor Downing. All approved, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alyssa Grotegut