
TOWN OF RICHFIELD

8478 Richfield Drive
Marshfield, WI 54449

2025 Annual Meeting

4/15/2025

Chairperson Josh Sabo called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

Attendance: Josh Sabo (Chairperson), Robert Tomkowiak (Supervisor #1), Christopher Christiansen (Supervisor #2), Paula Rustad (Clerk), Johnathan Dickinson (Treasurer), Residents: Chris McDaniel, Robert Marx, Famia Marx, Jenni Heeg, Jim Good, Brian Bymers, Deanna Klumb, Trevor Schill, Aaron Heeg, Sandi Schill, Bonnie Sabo, Kevin Schill, Keith Albright, Judy Albright, Jerry Taylor, Barron Taylor, Josh Klumb, Shirley Heeg, Kevin Meidl, David Steinmetz, Patti Arnold, Jubel Arnold, Larry Klumb

Minutes from 2024 Annual Meeting

Josh Klumb made a motion to accept the minutes from last year's Annual Meeting as corrected. Kevin Schill second the motion. Motion carried.

Presentation of Annual Report

Josh Sabo highlighted the report. Jerry Taylor made a motion to approve the Annual Report as printed. Larry Klumb 2nd the motion. The motion carried.

Bank of Deposit

Shirley Heeg made a motion to continue with Partners Bank. Kevin Schill 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Designation of Newspaper of Publication

Keith Albright made a motion to continue with Marshfield News Herald. Sandi Schill 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Noxious Weeds

Keith Albright made a motion to dispense with the reading of noxious weeds. Kevin Schill second the motion. Motion carried.

Fire Department and First Responder Reports

Josh Sabo gave the Fire Chief's report and the First Responder's report. The fire department has 24 members (23 Firefighters & 14 First Responders).

Scholarships

Awarded to: Bradley Neve & Abigail Becker

Soup Dinner

2024

622 quarts; 339 pre-order, 283 walk in

Amount made through the dinner, raffles, & donations was \$8,588.46

2025

602 quarts; 273 pre-order, 392 walk in

Amount made through the dinner, raffles, & donations was \$7,670.80

Calendar Raffle

Sold 845 tickets and raised \$17,286.00

Fundraiser Fund Equipment Purchases

-1,000 feet of 5" LDH hose - \$7,240

-Thermal Imager Camera(TIC) Replacement/Additions

-2 Seek Thermal Attack Pro TIC - \$4,958

-5 Seek Thermal FirePro TIC -\$4,995

Total Fundraiser Fund Equipment Purchases \$17,193

Unexpected SCBA Replacement

-March 27, 2024, we were notified that Honeywell would be rescinding their NIOSH certification on our SCBA's effective December 16, 2024.

-This in no certain words made our 23 SCBA's unusable.

-These SCBA's were purchased in 2018 as a Regional FEMA Grant with 7 other departments and had a life expectancy of 15-20 yrs.

-This was a TOTALLY unexpected financial burden

-Members evaluated the 4 SCBA manufacturers on the market. After evaluating them all and taking everything into consideration, the members decided to go with the MSA G1 SCBA.

-Decision was made to purchase 15 MSA G1 SCBA with quick connect and buddy breather. ---

-Includes pack, 2-45 minutes bottles and facemask with bag.

-Cost to make this purchase ~\$148,000

-The Town Board decided to take out a 1-year loan for the purchase of the 15 SCBA's and the FD agreed to paid for all additional items required.

-The loan amount was for \$136,230 for the 15 SCBA's which also included 2 years of annual flow testing(\$2,370 value). This was over \$22,000 savings over the original quote received.

-The FD paid for a battery charging bank, 6 spare batteries, 2 bottle fill adapters, and RIT pack for a total of \$11,087.13.

Total Calls for 2024

Fire Department had a total of 95

23 of which were in the Town of Richfield

43 EMR calls in the Town of Richfield

29 Auto/Mutual Aid to Other Depts

Length of Service Awards

- 1 year - Austin Pickhard & Patti Arnold
- 10 years – Chris McDaniel & Shawn Olson
- 20 years – Sandi Schill, Deanna Klumb, Josh Klumb, Sam Klumb & Josh Sabo
- 30 years – Brian Bymers

“Firefighter of the Year” award went to Josh Klumb

Dust Proofing

Keith Albright made a motion to dust proof at the Board’s discretion. Jim Good 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Road Report

Road concerns were discussed. The board will be conducting a road review in the next few weeks.

Assessor Report

Kurt Moeller was unable to attend the meeting but had a handout sheet that was included in packet provided. Discussion was had about revaluation in 2026.

50/50 Road Aid

Every year, the town signs a document that the County sets aside money for us to use. It comes from our tax money that comes back to the township. Jim Good made a motion to use 50/50 road aid at the Board’s discretion. Jerry Taylor 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Oaths of Offices

Oaths were given to Josh Sabo as Chairperson, Robert Tomkowiak as Supervisor #1 and Christopher Christiansen as Supervisor #2.

Cemetery

Paula Rustad has taken over the cemetery & is working on cemetery issues.

New Business

Question was asked about where we currently are posting in the Township which are the Richfield Town Hall, Davis Auto Sales & Services, Richfield Motors LLC & the Town Website. A request was made if we could post a draft of the meeting minutes on the website before the next monthly meeting. The board has decided that monthly meetings will be the second Sunday of every month at 7:00 PM unless the board needs to change the date. We are also looking to update our website and possibly replace the grater sooner than later. Discussion was also had regarding the Pallet Factory rebuilding.

Set date for 2026 Annual Meeting

Jim Good made a motion to have our next Annual Meeting Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 7:00 pm. Robert Marx 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Adjourn until Budget hearing

Aaron Heeg made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sandi Schill 2nd motion. Motion carried at 8:41pm

Paula Rustad, Town of Richfield Clerk