Town of Mishicot
Special Meeting of the Town Board

A special meeting of the Mishicot Town Board was held at the Mishicot Town Hall, 710 North State Street, Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

Town Board members present were Dean Anhalt, Lee Stefaniak, Gordon Augustine, Tammy Thielbar, and Connie Tesarik.

A list of guests are attached to the original minutes.

Chairman Anhalt called the special meeting of the Mishicot Town Board to order at 5:00 p.m. He also led the town board and attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: GREG VALENTA - REQUEST FOR SECOND DRIVEWAY, 2617 STURM ROAD

Chairman Anhalt did go to the Sturm Road address to view Mr. Valenta's request for a second culvert/driveway on his parcel. Chairman Anhalt said he could have a 30' culvert and a 5' right of way. He said it is possible that someone could build a house and a garage on the rear part of the land, but the gully would have to be filled. Chairman Anhalt said he is willing to go to 24' wide. Supervisor Stefaniak said he knows this property and knows it is highly erodible. Chairman Anhalt understands the 24' will need dirt added end to end. Mr. Valenta said he is willing to go to 24'. Chairman Anhalt does not feel the property would ever be used for anything else. With no other discussion, Chairman Anhalt called for a motion to allow a second culvert, 24' x 18". **Motion made by Supervisor Stefaniak to approve the second culvert, 24' x 18". Motion seconded by Supervisor Augustine. All votes in favor. Motion carried.** Mr. Valenta paid for the culvert/driveway permit. Chairman Anhalt had the permit already prepared for Mr. Valenta's signature and gave him a copy of the culvert rules for him to follow.

BOOMER'S FIREARMS SHOOTING RANGE

Discussion began concerning a shooting range at Boomer's Firearms located at 8832 STH 147. A year and a half to two years ago Gary Novitski had concerns about the shooting there. Ryan Ross was building storage units. At that time, Mr. Anhalt had asked Mr. Ross to make a larger berm with the excess dirt. That was not done. Gary Novitski asked for assistance. Chairman Anhalt read the rules from Kelly Del Ponte, who is from the town's attorney's office. The following are from communications with Kelly Del Ponte: The terms of Section 9.01 are not preempted by state statute; however, Section 9.01 was adopted before the town adopted Village Powers in 2004; therefore, the attorney recommends the town, exercising its Village Powers, repeal and recreate the ordinance.

The discharge of a firearm from anywhere on this parcel is prohibited under Section 9.02 because the entire parcel is within the 500-foot setback due to the zoning of the adjacent property to the north (rural residential) and the proximity of the residences to the west and north. Because this ordinance is enacted under the Town's police powers, as opposed to zoning powers, it can apply to the existing gun shop.

Mr. Anhalt stated that making that a safe situation seems difficult. The town would be going out on a limb to allow this. The board was trying to satisfy all people. The berm being built there is not being signed off by a company that would certify that it is safe. Supervisor Stefaniak is against any kind of range there because it would be unsafe. Chairman Anhalt is concerned about the apparent bullets found in the trees, although their exact origin is unknown. He also noted that the gun shop does not own the property behind the berm area. Chairman Anhalt does not support the shooting range. Supervisor Augustine called gun shops and was told they go to a range to shoot their guns. Chairman Anhalt talked to Manitowoc County. A landowner could not have any private people, even if they were customers, shoot there except in Zone NA (natural area) per county rules.

Chairman Anhalt requested a motion from the board. **Supervisor Stefaniak moved not to allow any kind of shooting on that property due to the proximity to the other properties around. Supervisor Augustine moved that Section 9.01 says you cannot shoot within those distances and seconded the motion. All votes in favor of the motion not to allow shooting on that property. Motion carried.** Chairman Anhalt added that you cannot ensure that others would be safe behind the shooting.

A statement was made by the owners of Boomer's Firearms. Mrs. Grimm said nothing had been done with the berm over the last several years. She wants to go back to statute, which is 300 feet in Wisconsin, and would like to discuss further. She also stated that she would like to clean up exaggerated false claims. It cannot be verified where the bullets came from. The neighboring property owner said she is concerned about her child and concerned about shooting at the house. Mrs. Grimm said the house is 200 feet out of the range. Mrs. Grimm also said they may have to move out of the town. She added that there was no intentional negligence on their part. She also wanted to know why they were not called sooner about any issues by the neighbors. They do thank the board for their time and extra efforts.

Chairman Anhalt stated that the ordinance has been in place since 1985. The board plans to repeal and re-adopt the ordinance. We will be keeping this code in place. It is something people must abide by. Allowing the shooting range would be setting aside the town ordinance.

The board has decided to request the town attorney draw up an ordinance to repeal and recreate Ordinance Section 9.01.

OPEN BIDS FOR PATCHING - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING BIDS

The town board requested bids for the following projects:

1. Barthels Road, near intersection of Cherney Road and Barthels, over new culvert installation
2.-5. Cherney Road between Samz Road and County Highway Q
6. Sturm Road near intersection of State Highway 147 and Sturm Road
7 - 8. Tapawingo Road between County Highway B and Buck Lane. Over culvert areas marked 7 and 8.

Two bids were received as follows:

1.	Scott Construction		
	a.	Areas numbered 1-6; cold mix wedging	$19,985.00
	b.	Areas 7 & 8; cold mix wedging	$ 8,795.00
		Total	$28,780.00
2.	Northeast Asphalt		
	a.	Areas numbered 1-6; mill butt joints; Apply tack coat for bonding; construct a single-course HMA pavement wedge	$21,930.00
	b.	Areas numbered 7 & 8; mill butt joints Apply tack coat for bonding; construct a single-course HMA pavement wedge	$ 8,615.00
		Total	$30,545.00

Difference between the high and low bid was $1,765.00

The board discussed the two bids and decided that the Northeast bid, while slightly higher, would probably achieve the best result with the Northeast product methods for the situations we have.

Supervisor Stefaniak moved to accept the bid from Northeast Asphalt in the total amount of $30,545.00. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Augustine. All votes in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Stefaniak to adjourn the meeting at 5:42 p.m. Motion seconded by Supervisor Augustine. All votes in favor. Motion carried.

These minutes were prepared by the town clerk on August 1, 2026 and will be presented for approval to the Mishicot Town Board at their next regularly scheduled meeting, Monday, August 3, 2026.

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Connie Tesarik – Clerk