

Village of Mazon Board Minutes

April 27, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm on April 27, 2026.

Present were: Jeff Marques, Melanie Murphy, Rachel Carrell, Jared Kowalewski, Kirk Houchin, Pam Pastick, Diane Punke, Roland Tondini, Chris Dearth, Tim Hejny, Larry Pastick, John Frederick

Guest: Dalton Misener, Alise Marques, Marc Milburn

The minutes for March 27, 2026, were presented for approval. **D. Punke made a motion to approve March 27, 2026, minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by R. Tondini. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

The liquor committee minutes for April 13, 2026, were presented for approval. **R. Tondini made a motion to approve April 13, 2026, liquor committee minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

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The financial committee minutes for April 21, 2026, were presented for approval. **R. Tondini made a motion to approve April 21, 2026, financial committee minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

The bill list for April 27, 2026, was presented for approval. **D. Punke made a motion to approve the bill list for April 27, 2026, as presented. The motion was seconded by J. Kowalewski. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

**Treasurer:**

The March 2026 Treasurer's Report was presented for review.

**Secretary Report:**

Nothing at this time.

**Public Comment:**

P. Pastick asked if any ordinance violations have gone out for overgrown grass. She stated that she has seen a few yards in the village that are outgrown and need to be addressed.

M. Murphy stated that she sent out ordinance violation letters today.

J. Kowalewski stated that his neighbors at 902 Front St had two panels of their fence fell over onto his property and another panel that is leaning. He stated that he went over and spoke to the occupants/renters multiple times last year and multiple times this year already. He has not had any contact with the owner of the property. He stated that they keep saying they will take care of it and nothing is done. He stated that he offered to help them with the fence. He stated that they informed him on Saturday that they were going to repair it. J. Kowalewski stated he didn't know if they could be issued a deadline to fix it because it is a hazard.

**President:**

J. Marques stated that he has arranged to go do a walk through in the Morris Hospital building next door to take a look at the space. He informed the board that we will look at it on Thursday at 12:30 pm if anyone would like to be present to take a look.

**Committee Reports:**

Nothing at this time

**Old Business:**

Nothing at this time.

**New Business:**

The board discussed a retirement gift for Kristen Webster. Kristen served on the Village board for about 18 years. The board discussed what the village has given for retirement gifts in the past. **J. Kowalewski made a motion to approve a retirement gift for Kristen Webster in the amount of \$500.00 along with a plaque. The motion was seconded by P. Pastick. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

Alise Marques and Marc Milburn presented a plan to the board for the Sesquicentennial Celebration that would require road closures on August 7 and August 8, 2026. They requested to close Depot St from Grand Ridge to the railroad tracks and partially close Front St through that intersection, and also Park St in front of the fire station, leaving an emergency route for the fire department, during Cruise Night on Friday August 7, 2026. They also requested to close Depot St from Grand Ridge to Front St and Park St in front of the fire station leaving an emergency route for the fire department on Saturday August 8, 2026. They also informed the board that a new committee is planning a parade for Sunday August 9, 2026, and they had a few routes mapped out but will finalize that when they are closer to the event. **J. Kowalewski made a motion to approve the road closures on August 7 and August 8, 2026. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

The liquor licenses for Casey's and Breaktime were presented for approval. **K. Houchin made a motion**

**to approve the liquor licenses for Casey's and Breaktime. The motion was seconded by P. Pastick. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

The gaming license for Breaktime was presented for approval. **D. Punke made a motion to approve the gaming license for Breaktime. The motion was seconded by J. Kowalewski. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

**Director of Public Works:**

J. Frederick reported to the board. He stated the aerator in pond 1 has been installed and is back in service. The water and sewer reports are completed and submitted for the month. The plow and auger have been taken off the yellow dump for the year. He added that they have started spraying for the year. He also informed the board that the CCR is finished and a link will be on May's water bills.

**Chief of Police:**

L. Pastick reported to the board. He stated that he had 9 traffic stops since last meeting. He informed the board that he got the squad car oil changed on April 17, 2026. He stated that golf cart registrations have been coming in steady. He stated that he will be at the Baseball parade on May 2.

**Zoning:**

Nothing at this time.

**Engineer:**

Nothing at this time.

**Attorney:**

Nothing at this time.

**J. Kowalewski made a motion at 6:40 pm to enter executive session pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5) to Discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body. The motion was seconded by P. Pastick. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

**J. Kowalewski made a motion to reconvene regular session. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

**J. Kowalewski made a motion to approve an Ordinance approving and authorizing execution of an easement agreement between the Village of Mazon and Goetsch, Hanley, and Misener. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-No, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**

**K. Houchin made a motion to adjourn at 6:56 pm. D. Punke seconded the motion. Roll was taken. J. Kowalewski-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, P. Pastick-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, R. Tondini-Yes. Motion carried.**