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# UNION THRESHERMAN, INC.

## 2025 Meeting Minutes

### Abstract

Please see below the monthly meeting proceedings for the Union Thresherman, Inc.

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## March General Membership Meeting

March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 8:00 p.m.

Union Town Hall

- The meeting was called to order by President Gary Knuth at 8:01 p.m.
- Secretary's Report
  - Tammy M. corrected the tractor safety course details. Courses will be held in April, and anyone interested should contact FVTC.
  - Motion to accept by Brian Z., Zane B. seconded, motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report – Motion to accept by Al T., Mike B. seconded, motion carried.
- **Correspondence**
  - Thank you from Ray Heckman for our donation to the Lori and Trish House.
- **Old Business**
  - Please pay your annual dues to Randy.
  - Carousel Update
    - Brian Z. – Fire Tower is in the final engineering stages. Then we can start coming up with an estimate.
  - Scholarships
    - Club scholarship applications are available; see Gary. They are due April 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Farm Technology Days
    - There will be an area for us to display tractors.
    - Volunteer opportunities available, sign-up sheet is here.
    - There will be no demonstrations.
  - FVTC Tractor Safety Course
    - The club will sponsor two individuals with a connection to our club.
    - Tammy M. – Classes are virtual, and June will be the driving part.
      - Contact FVTC – 12 spots per campus.
    - See Gary to sign up.
- **New Business**
  - 60<sup>th</sup> Show Committee
    - Valerie S. would be interested
      - What increment should we celebrate at; 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, etc.
    - Sign up at the end of the meeting.
  - Liquor License
    - One is available in the Town of Union.
      - Kelly N. said that just because we have one, doesn't mean we have to use it.
      - The state is adjusting many of the regulations, and they keep changing. Kelly has reached out, but has not heard back.
    - Lance V. asked what the cost would be.
      - It is \$100 right now, but if we have to get a new one, it goes up to \$10,000.
    - Michelle V. asked if we would have canned beverages or hard liquor.



- John R. asked if there is room in the bars for more options.
  - Randy E. said that we should pursue the license, and then we can adjust our options from there. We would use a distributor.
- Kent C. said it is best to stay on top of this now.
- This would be the same as a tavern, renewed annually. Randy said that there would be about a \$100 difference from what we currently pay. We do have liquor liability insurance already.
- Brad P. made the motion to purchase the liquor license, Dan C. seconded, motion carried.
- Kent C. presented a \$2,000 check to the club on behalf of the Manawa Snodeo and thanked our members who volunteered their time.
- JP H. has someone with an old binder that they want to get rid of. See JP after the meeting if interested.
- Spring Pull is on June 7<sup>th</sup>
  - The dates changed due to the way the calendar fell.
  - The club calendar is incorrect.
- Dan C. said that we need someone to mow the lawn this year.
- **New Members**
  - No new members.
- Harlan V. made the motion to adjourn, Dave P. seconded, motion carried at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Jacob R. Elsner*

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## April General Membership Meeting

April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, at 8:00 p.m.  
Union Town Hall

- The meeting was called to order by President Gary Knuth at 8:02 p.m.
- Secretary's Report – Kelly N. made a correction to the cost difference on the liquor license. It would be a \$100 difference.
  - Brian Z. made the motion to accept, seconded by Jeff S., motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report – We bought a new truck body for \$4,000 to replace the one by the back food stand. The old one will go up for sale.
  - Mark P. made the motion to accept, seconded by Loren D., motion carried.
- **Correspondence**
  - \$1,000 donation from JR Machine.
  - Manawa Cowboys sent a thank you for our raffle basket donation.
- **Old Business**
  - Yealy dues – pay Randy.
  - Scholarships – Due April 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Sign-up sheet going around
    - Broken down for farm tech days, lawn mowing, 60<sup>th</sup> committee, and field trip.
    - Looking for volunteers
  - Farm Tech Days
    - We will have a booth where we can park tractors and advertise our club. Will need people to man the booth.
  - Get well card for Gloria Young.
  - Liquor license – Jolene Werth is the club agent for the beer license and will be for the new liquor license.
- **New Business**
  - Exhibitor Appreciation Party
    - Heidi K. made a motion to continue with the exhibitor appreciation party, Jeff S. seconded, motion carried.
  - We are looking for input on what we should do to admit members to the exhibitor appreciation party. Shift or hour requirements?
    - Valerie suggests 1-2 shifts between both events.
    - Brian Z. suggests \$20 per head.
    - Kelly and Willie agree, and this should be on top of the shift requirement.
    - Mark C. said this is something the board has struggled with, so we are asking for your input.
    - Roger K. said that Edgar requires 10 hours to be invited to their party.
    - Brian Z. proposed \$20 per person. Work 2 shifts or 12 hours the cost be waived.
    - Members who exhibit will be treated with the member requirement.



- Brain made a motion to charge \$20 per person or put in two shifts, if they put in the shift requirement, they are admitted to the party, Willie R. second, motion carried.
- Valerie S. said to advertise this heavily.
- Pets are currently allowed on a leash and under control. Should we eliminate them on the grounds?
  - Need to look into service animal verbiage.
  - Post it this year and enforce it next year.
  - Troy S. made the motion to implement no pets in 2026 with the exception of service animals and to have signs made, Mark P. seconded, motion carried.
- Tractor Pull Meeting will be April 12<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 p.m. at Boondocks.
  - Rule changes will be made there at the meeting, and minutes will be taken.
- Bartending licenses will be renewed in May.
- The School Field Trip will be from Manawa with about 40 kids. No date set.
- Joe G. has a draft of the carousel building here.
  - Any suggestions, give to Joe.
  - We want the building to have character, still with the timber frame look.
  - Add main entrance and ticket booth, roll-up doors.
  - This project is still a year out, and we are still hoping for the Timber Frame Guild to do this as a project.
- Heidi K. gave an update on the sign-up list.
  - Opens on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April, and we are doing t-shirts and food vouchers again.
- LuAnne K. has a draft for the poster/flyer. Let her know how it looks and if there are any changes.
- Randy E. said that the food vendors for Thresherman will be moved down by the office.
  - This will give them more business on Friday with it being dead up front and have less line congestion.
  - Kelly N. asked if we would need more picnic tables. We should be good on them.
- **New Members**
  - Zane B. made the motion to accept Tim Tumanic as a new member, Willie R. seconded, motion carried.
- Dan C. made the motion to adjourn, Dave P. seconded, motion carried at 9:00 p.m.

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## May General Membership Meeting

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, at 8:00 p.m.  
Unionville Saloon

- The meeting was called to order by President Gary Knuth at 8:03 p.m.
- Observed a moment of silence for Chris Rhoel.
- Secretary's Report – Motion to accept by Dave D., seconded by Zane B., motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report – Motion to accept by Tammy M., seconded by Gloria Y., motion carried.
- **Correspondence**
  - Thank you from the Chris Rhoel family.
- **Old Business**
  - Bartender's license applications, see Jolene tonight.
  - The school field trip will be on Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, with 40 kids from Manawa.
  - Spring Pull – the tractor pull meeting minutes were read from April 12<sup>th</sup>.
    - Willie has a sign-up sheet for the spring pull. 64 people are needed to run efficiently.
    - Manawa Athletic Booster Club will do concessions.
  - Poster/Flyers are here. Please take some to distribute.
  - A lawn care person is still needed. We can alternate weekends if need be.
  - Farm Tech Days. – Sign-up sheet going around. Need people to man our booth.
- **New Business**
  - The Thresher volunteer list is live. See Heidi to sign up tonight.
  - Thursday night work nights will start.
  - Spring Clean-up Day is May 10<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. Rain Date May 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - Brian Z. gave an update on the Carousel building.
    - The wheel is in motion and will get some numbers together and the project details.
    - Planning on June 2026 to do the build.
    - Hoping to get a concrete footing in this year.
  - Michelle V. will run the candy store but is looking for a non-profit group to take it over.
    - Get ahold of Michelle if you have any leads.
- **New Members**
  - None
- Buddy F. made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Ryan R., motion carried at 8:20 p.m.

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## June General Membership Meeting

June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 8:00 p.m.

Unionville Saloon

- The meeting was called to order by President Gary Knuth at 8:06 p.m.
- Secretary's Report – Motion to accept by Jeff S., seconded by Tammy M., motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report – Motion to accept by Tammy M., seconded by Dan C., motion carried.
- **Correspondence**
  - Gary K. thanked everyone for their help during the clean up day and school field trip.
  - We received thank you letters from all of our scholarship recipients.
    - Manawa - Kelsey Behnke, Lily Krenke, Brooke Krueger.
    - Outside Manawa - Addison Niemuth, Brooke Bergsbaken.
- **Old Business**
  - We are still in search of a lawn care person.
  - Poster/flyers are here, please help distribute them.
  - Thursday work nights have begun. Please come when you can.
  - Project list is posted in the Saloon by the cooler and outside for when the Saloon is closed. Priority items are highlighted in yellow. Please contact a board member if you need supplies for a project.
  - Willie R. gave an update on the spring pull.
    - 350 pre-registered hooks.
    - We had to rebadge the trophies from last year's rainout pull. This cost about \$570 to do. Willie is hoping to keep the remaining money from last year's sponsorships to go towards payouts and is wondering if the club could cover that cost.
    - Willie made the motion to have the club pay for the rebadging of the trophies and keep the prize money for payouts, Buddy F. seconded, motion carried.
    - Willie did receive an additional \$150 for prize money.
    - See Willie or Heidi to sign-up to volunteer.
  - Thresheree sign-up is about 2/3 full.
    - Still need bartenders and gate workers.
  - Car Show sign-up will come out early July.
  - Farm Tech Days – Need shuttle drivers and people to man our booth.
    - You can use personal tractors if preferred. See Gary if interested.
- **New Business**
  - Rodeo Parade – July 5<sup>th</sup>
    - Anyone interested, let Gary know.
  - Sign Trailers – Let Gary or Heidi know if you want to take one and where you will park it.
    - Nate B. touched on the field trip and read a couple thank you letters from the students.
    - Brian Z. said only about half the kids have attended the show.



- Heidi K. worked with her boyfriend to have his work to donate a bag for our new track cover.
- **New Members**
  - Al Gehrt – Willie R. made the motion to accept Al as a new member, seconded by AL T., motion carried.
- Gloria Y. made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe G., motion carried at 8:25 p.m.

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## July General Membership Meeting

July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, at 8:00 p.m.  
Unionville Saloon

- The meeting was called to order by President Gary Knuth at 8:09 p.m.
- Secretary's Report – Motion to accept by Jeff S., seconded by Al T., motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report – Motion to accept by Al T., seconded by Gloria Y., motion carried.
- **Correspondence**
  - Observed a moment of silence for Bill Johnson.
- **Old Business**
  - We still have posters/flyers here to distribute.
  - Project list is posted outside the Saloon doors.
    - If you want to tackle a job, let us know.
  - Heidi K. gave an update on the Thresheree sign-up.
    - It is about  $\frac{3}{4}$  filled, and we still need gates, bartending, and Sunday food workers.
  - Christmas party attendance – you need to work two shifts for free admittance or pay \$20 at the door.
  - Joe G. presented on the Carousel Building.
    - We would like to continue with a timber frame design to go along with our other buildings.
    - Joe and Brian belong to the Timber Frame Guild and would like this to be one of their projects. The Guild is a worldwide organization that can put us on the map.
    - The Guild brings in their instructors and volunteers and makes the project an educational project for the community.
    - The Guild will bring in 30 volunteers and make it a nine-day build for the structure, aiming for June 2026.
    - There are many different costs associated with the build, but it opens up many fundraising opportunities.
      - Kent C. asked about fundraising options.
        - This could be from equipment rentals to meals and lodging.
      - Cost is roughly around \$72,000.
      - Andy can put together a sponsor plan.
    - Joe is looking for the club's blessing to go ahead with the scheduling.
    - Andy M. said there needs to be a set timeline as there are many different things to get the carousel up and running and certified again.
    - Discussion about other buildings needing attention.
    - Kent C. made the motion to move forward with the project; seconded by Randy E. Raise of hands showed majority rules. Motion carried.
  - Rodeo parade is this Saturday, see Gary K. if you'd like to go through with them.
  - Farm Tech Days – We need volunteers to help and man our booth.
- **New Business**
  - Cleaning out buildings and general maintenance around the grounds is needed.



- Car Show sign-up has started. See Heidi K. after the meeting.
- Wrap-up meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Saloon at 8:00 p.m.
- Steam School – we sponsor two members to go, see Gary K. if interested.
- John S. is having a hard time finding a mobility scooter source. Is looking to buy his own and would like to rent them during our show for about \$50 per day.
  - Andy M. made the motion to allow John to rent his scooters during our show, seconded by Kent C., motion carried.
- John S. is looking for a group to designate his raffle funds to and would like to offer it to us.
  - Tickets are \$10 each and there are about 4,000 printed. Donation back could be upwards of \$10,000.
  - Andy M. made the motion to allow John to raffle a truck with our raffle license, seconded by Kent C., motion carried.
  - Kent C. made the motion for the proceeds to go towards the carousel building, seconded by Gloria Y., motion carried.
- Steiner Tractor Parts catalogs are here, take one.
- Andy M. is looking for memorabilia for the feature barn.
- **New Members**
  - Aaron Shmolenberg – motion to accept by Tammy M., seconded by Gloria Y., motion carried.
  - Gabriel Schmude – motion to accept by Mike B., seconded by Val S., motion carried.
  - Chad McHue – motion to accept by Al T., seconded by Andy M., motion carried.
  - Noah Miller – motion to accept by Zane B., seconded by Owen S., motion carried.
- Brian Z. said that before our show on a holiday weekend, we got four new members, and Gabby is only 12 years old.
  - Gary K. said that there is a flea market vendor who brags about our show and all the young members we have.
- Kent C. said we need to make things more appealing for people to come and help down here.
  - Andy M. – suggested that projects be planned out in advance so people can plan themselves. Make a day out of it with a cookout, even.
- Dan C. made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Al T., motion carried at 9:23 p.m.

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## August General Membership Meeting

August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 8:00 p.m.  
Unionville Saloon

- The meeting was called to order by President Gary Knuth at 8:01 p.m.
- Secretary's Report – Motion to accept by Tammy M., seconded by Gloria Y., motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report – Motion to accept by Dan C., seconded by Al T., motion carried.
- **Correspondence**
  - Observed a moment of silence for Kieth Welch.
- **Old Business**
  - 16 calendars left for sale.
  - Steam School is Sept 26-28, see Gary K. if interested. We sponsor two club members.
  - Mary R. asked how the mobility scooters went over. The Thresheree was low, Farm Tech Days was good, and the Car show was good.
    - Now that the word is out, it will continue to build. The need is there.
- **New Business**
  - The board decided to purchase the Allis Chalmers tractor that we use on the grounds. Curt Samson decided to sell it, and we have many uses for it.
  - If you have any comments on the Thresheree or Car Show, write them down and we will collect them.
  - Diane W. thanked everyone for their hard work and participation.
  - Gary K. thanked everyone for their help during both shows.
  - UTC Eliminator – the board brought it up about possibly selling it again as it is taking up space and people have inquired about buying it.
    - Dan C – if we're not going to use it, sell it.
      - Takes up storage and agrionics will become obsolete.
    - Kent has the electronics stored at his shed.
    - Dan C. made the motion to sell the eliminator, seconded by Phil G. Vote by show of hands, majority ruled in favor of selling the eliminator.
  - Joe G. gave an update on the carousel building.
    - The build will take place June 11-21, 2026.
    - You do need to be a Guild member to participate. They can offer a 6-month trial membership.
    - Will post on social media and website with more specifics.
    - Many details are in the works behind lodging, meals, grants, and equipment.
    - Will need to acquire a building permit.
    - Might be the first project in Wisconsin with people traveling from around the world to participate.
    - Brian Z said that we are both non-profits making this happen as economically as possible.
  - There are a few crews that deserve a big thanks for their efforts this year:
    - Jerry Timm and crew for the building projects.



- Willie R. for running an efficient pull.
- Joe and Zane for the water tower project.
- John Riesenbergh for taking care of the crops and getting his tractors here in short notice.
- Heidi K. with the volunteer list.
- All the members that helped at Farm Tech Days.
  - Michelle V. sold mugs in the general store in honor of Katelyn and made their money back. The remaining mugs can go to the club.
  - Kent C. will redo the new benches this winter.
- **New Members**
  - None
- Gary wished Jacob a happy birthday!
- Motion to adjourn by Gloria Y., seconded by Phil G., motion carried at 8:33 p.m.

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## September General Membership Meeting

September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 8:00 p.m.  
Unionville Saloon

- The meeting was called to order by President Gary Knuth at 8:10 p.m.
- Secretary's Report – Motion to accept by Al T., seconded by Dan C., motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report – Motion to accept by Mark P., seconded by Jeff S., motion carried.
- **Correspondence**
  - Thank you from Addison Niemuth for her scholarship award.
- **Old Business**
  - There are 11 calendars left.
  - Any other comments from the shows, please write them down and hand in.
  - Joe G. gave an update on the Carousel building
    - No plans have been finalized yet.
    - Looking into roll up doors for the sides
    - Hoping to have the foundation plan soon to pour concrete this fall.
  - Randy E. – if any non-profit groups worked during the show, get Randy the number of hours so he can pay them out.
- **New Business**
  - We did sell the UTC eliminator to Willie R.
  - Next month is the Annual meeting and elections.
    - President, Secretary, Assistant Treasurer, and Board Director #2.
  - Volunteer appreciation party is on September 6<sup>th</sup>. 3:00 p.m. drinks and 4:00 p.m. dinner. This is put on by Werth's and John Spence.
  - Feature cards for next year's show are here to take and distribute. We are featuring misfits.
  - Al T. – Would like to have a tractor ride and social gathering on Oct 11<sup>th</sup> at his place, take off around 10:00 a.m.
    - He would like to borrow a people hauler.
    - Bring a chair and dish to pass.
    - Will make a post on Facebook as a reminder.
  - Mark P. brought up the topic of pets on the showgrounds.
    - This year, we kept track of the pet comments and there were numerous people that said they won't be coming back if we do not allow pets.
    - The idea is we would limit pets to their site in the campground, vendor, or exhibitor spaces.
    - Valerie S. said that pets in the campground bark all day and have escaped in the past.
    - There has only been one memorable incident involving a pet. Mark C. recalls one camper having an electric fence where they house their pets.
    - Diane W. mentioned that the Car show doesn't allow them.
    - Mark P. would take on the responsibility to police the issue.



- Kent C. said that we have many spring projects and would like to start on some of them this fall, pouring the concrete at least.
- **New Members**
  - Chad Kayhart – comes from the Edgar steam show
    - Tammy M. made the motion to accept Chad as a new member, seconded by Al T., motion carried.
- Dan C. made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Zane B., motion carried at 8:37 p.m.

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## October General Membership Meeting

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, at 8:00 p.m.

Unionville Saloon

- The meeting was called to order by President Gary Knuth at 8:02 p.m.
- Secretary's Report – Motion to accept by Al T., seconded by Buddy F., motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report
  - Paul T. asked if the food vendor number was low at \$4,000.
    - Not all vendors are in and need to add \$200 per vendor as their deposit.
  - Amanda R. asked if \$1 per head was in yet.
    - No, it isn't.
  - Tammy M. made the motion to accept, seconded by Zane B., motion carried.
- **Correspondence**
  - Thank you from the Manawa Cross Country team for the use of the grounds.
- **Old Business**
  - Nine calendars left for sale.
  - Dog Policy
    - Discussion was brought up about the possible loss of revenue if we proceed with the no dog policy.
    - Mark P. would have about 10 campers that won't come back, and Jacob E. would have about five vendors that won't come back.
    - Valerie S. said it was brought up originally due to liability reasons.
    - Mark P. said it would fall on the pet owner if there were an incident.
    - Kent C. said we allow 350 horses on the grounds but can't allow dogs?
    - Randy E. – Kids and over indulgers are the bigger liability.
    - There was discussion of where the line should be drawn of allowing pets.
    - Going to a paper vote. Yes, to allow pets or no to not allow.
      - Yes, to allow pets at 29 votes.
      - No to keep as is with no pets, 15 votes.
    - Kent – Made the motion to allow pets in the large campground on the west side of welcome barn. No pets are allowed east of the welcome barn. Zane B. seconded.
      - There was discussion on the loss of exhibitors that won't return, losing value to our show.
      - Kent rescinded his motion.
    - Mark P. made the motion to allow pets at their designated paid campsites. Seconded by AL T.
      - There was discussion of what is a paid site. Gas engine, flea market, river camping, and regular camping all pay for their sites. We will have to look into clarifying the actual sites down by the river.



- Paper ballot to accept or decline the motion.
  - 39 votes to accept, 6 votes to decline. Motion carried.
- Al T. is having a tractor ride and social gathering on October 11, at his house. Meet at 9:00 a.m., take off at 10:00 a.m. for a 20-mile ride. RSVP if you plan on coming.
- **New Business**
  - Clean Up Day
    - October 25<sup>th</sup>, and a rain date of November 1<sup>st</sup>.
    - Start at 9:00 a.m.
    - Please bring rakes, shovels, and leaf blowers.
  - Can money brought in \$720!
    - Big thanks to the can sorting crew.
    - Suggested having it on a Saturday for more help.
  - Carousel update from Joe G.
    - Have the prints here for the building. Hot off the press.
    - 98% done on the plans.
    - Questions, talk with Joe
    - Foundation plan is done, will need to plan on pouring concrete this fall or early spring.
  - Monthly meeting time change
    - We do not have members that farm or milk cows anymore. We are looking at moving the meeting time to 7:00 p.m.
    - Randy E. made the motion to move all regular meetings to 7:00 p.m. and the annual meeting will stay the same at 8:30 p.m., seconded by Al T., motion carried.
  - Mark P. will have a sawing day on Oct 12. Anyone is welcome to come and help or watch.
  - Next year's feature is Orphans and misfits.
  - Spring scholarships are open any club member family outside the Manawa School District.
  - Kelly N. brought up the use of paper ballots.
    - Use on big purchases above board limit.
    - Kelly N. made the motion for anything on \$25,001.00 needs a paper ballot, seconded by Buddy F., motion carried.
  - Harlan V. has a piece of equipment he wants to donate. Talk with Gary after the meeting.
  - Dan C. made the motion to donate \$100 to the Central Wisconsin Antique Tractor Pullers Association, seconded by JP H., motion carried.
  - John P. said the JI Case Heritage Foundation is looking for a place to feature in 2028.
    - Have them call Gary with details. Our next Case feature is 2031.
  - Randy E. said there are leftovers for sale. Flats and pails are mixed and are \$10 each. Then everyone can take a 12-pack of Root Beer.



- **New Members**
  - Ralph Volkman
    - Motion to accept Ralph as a member by Troy S., seconded by Al T., motion carried.
- Motion to adjourn by Zane B., seconded by Eric D., motion carried at 9:09 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Secretary  
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## Union Thresherman, Inc. Annual Meeting

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, at 8:30 p.m.  
Unionville Saloon

- The meeting was called to order by Vice President Mark Craig at 9:11 p.m.
- **Election of Directors**
  - President
    - Kent C. nominated Gary Knuth. Gary K. accepts.
    - Randy E. made a motion to close nominations by unanimous ballot, seconded by Lois S., motion carried.
    - Gary Knuth is President.
  - Secretary
    - Dan C. nominated Jacob Elsner. Jacob E. accepts.
    - Harlan V. made a motion to close nominations by unanimous ballot, seconded by Lois S., motion carried.
    - Jacob Elsner is Secretary.
  - Assistant Treasurer
    - Nick C. nominated Kent Casey. Kent C. accepts.
    - Valerie S. nominated Kelly Norton. Kelly N. accepts.
    - Phil G. nominated Troy Schuelke. Troy S. accepts.
    - Randy E. made the motion to close nominations and move to a vote, seconded by Lloyd D., motion carried.
    - Kelly Norton is Assistant Treasurer.
  - Board Director #2
    - Paul T. nominated Brian Zabel. Brian Z. accepts.
    - Jim D. nominated JP Hintzke. JP H. accepts.
    - Lois S. nominated Troy Schuelke. Troy S. accepts.
    - Randy E. made the motion to close nominations and move to a vote, seconded by Zane B., motion carried
    - Brian Zabel is Board Director #2.
- Buddy F. made the motion to adjourn the annual meeting, seconded by JP H., motion carried at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Jacob R. Elsner*

Secretary  
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## November General Membership Meeting

November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.  
Unionville Saloon

- The meeting was called to order by President Gary Knuth at 7:03 p.m.
- Secretary's Report – Motion to accept by JP H., seconded by Jeff S., motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report – Motion to accept by Tammy M., seconded by Gloria Y., motion carried.
- **Correspondence**
  - Gary thanked everyone for their help on the clean-up days.
  - Farm Tech days sent a thank you and \$396 for those that worked during the event.
  - Manawa Youth Wrestling sent a thank you and we did give an additional \$200 for all the work they did for us.
- **Old Business**
  - There are eight calendars left.
  - Meetings are now at 7:00 p.m.
  - Joe G. and Brian Z. went to timber frame conference in Washington; they are excited about it.
    - Joe G. spoke with Lee Werth to get on his schedule for spring to pour the foundation.
- **New Business**
  - Exhibitor appreciation party December 6<sup>th</sup>, drinks at 5:00 p.m., dinner at 6:00 p.m.
  - We need someone to help Heather manage the food stands.
    - It takes a lot of help, and it is too much for one person
  - Truck raffle during the car show made a little over \$5,000. Should we continue doing it?
    - Zane B. asked if John S. was interested in continuing it; and he is.
    - Zane B. made the motion to continue with the raffle during the car show, seconded by Al T., motion carried.
  - Scholarship applications. We provide three for Manawa School District and three outside Manawa School District.
    - Our application is open to family and friends of any member. See Gary for an application.
  - Laura Korth asked if we'd be interested in donating a basket to the Wisconsin fairest of fairs.
    - Zane B. made the motion to donate some items, seconded by Gloria Y., motion carried.
  - Dan C. said that we need someone to mow lawn next year.
  - Al T. thanked everyone that came to his tractor ride. They had 120 tractors, side-by-sides, and trucks.
  - Next meeting is March 6, 2026 at the Union Town Hall.
  - Wished Jeff Schley a Happy Birthday.



- **New Members**
  - None
- Dan C. made the motion to adjourn, seconded by JP H., motion carried at 7:22 p.m.

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