

Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 16, 2025, Community Center, 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Cushing called the meeting to order and noted that it was posted, published, and handicapped accessible in accordance with Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws. A moment of silence was observed to honor our troops here and abroad. Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

Present: Chairman Cushing, Supervisor Fuhrman, Supervisor Verdoorn, and Clerk Myshchyshyn. Treasurer Murdoff was away.

Motion by Fuhrman, second by Verdoorn to approve the agenda as read. Motion carried.

Motion by Verdoorn, second by Fuhrman to approve the minutes from August 5, 2025, special board meeting, August 7, 2025, regular board meeting, August 26, 2025, special board meeting, September 2, 2025, special board meeting and September 11, 2025, special board meeting as posted. Motion carried.

Motion by Fuhrman, second by Verdoorn to approve the Treasurer's report as read. Motion carried.

Messages/Announcements/Correspondence/Bid Submissions: Building permits were reviewed.

Public Input – taken during the meeting.

1. Town crew maintenance report: Scott Pockat – The crew finished mowing two passes on all town roads. Swimming buoys were removed. Lake Katherine and Lake McCormick docks will be removed the first Monday of October. New signs were placed to inform users. Wildwood Drive has been prepped, and they are now waiting on Pitlik & Wick. Summer help is finished and crackfill bids have been released.
2. Plan Commission met on September 2, 2025. Discussion on an Administrative Review Permit Application by Bradley & Sarah Perkins, applicants and owners, to rent the dwelling as a tourist rooming house with the #02 Single Family zoning district where rentals of six (6) days or less are prohibited and on the following described property: Part of NW ¼ of the NE ¼, Section 15, T38N, R6E, PIN #HA 195-10, 9781 Lee Lake Rd, Hazelhurst. Motion to approve with conditions as recommended by Oneida County by Knoebel, second by Blaser. Motion carried. Commissioner's report: Knoebel would like to discuss during the 10 year comprehensive planning regarding Oneida County not enforcing the conditions on the tourist rooming house permits. Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 10:00 a.m.
3. Motion by Cushing, second by Verdoorn to approve the Administrative Review Permit Application by Bradley & Sarah Perkins, applicants and owners, to rent the dwelling as a tourist rooming house with the #02 Single Family zoning district where rentals of six (6) days or less are prohibited and on the following described property: Part of NW ¼ of the NE ¼, Section 15, T38N, R6E, PIN #HA 195-10, 9781 Lee Lake Rd, Hazelhurst. Motion carried.
4. Second reading of Ordinance 25-02, which restricts certain artificial wake enhancement which apply to lakes wholly in the Town of Hazelhurst. The lakes affected by this proposed ordinance are: Garth Lake, Lake Seventeen, Lee Lake, Lower Kaubashine Lake, Miller Lake, South Blue Lake, Upper Kaubashine Lake and Yawkey Lake. Motion by Verdoorn, second by Fuhrman to approve Ordinance 25-02. All voted aye, motion carried.
5. First reading of Ordinance 25-01, which restricts certain artificial wake enhancements which apply to three lakes, Hughitt Lake, McCormick Lake and Bearskin Lake, which borders are shared with the Town of Cassian and the Town of Lake Tomahawk.
6. Motion by Verdoorn, second by Fuhrman to approve an operator's license for Paul T. Zarembo. Motion carried.
7. Myshchyshyn gave a Room Tax Commission report. Minocqua will implement a Premium Resort Added Tax, the National Fishing Tournament was held in Minocqua area, sled dog races will be coming to Minocqua area, Beefarama event will be held at the end of September and Hogs & Hops event in conjunction with the Woodruff Fire Department was successful.
8. Discussion on the town's finances. The town board members and Clerk Myshchyshyn talked about the scheduled special elector's meeting on October 7, 2025 and what the town is going to ask of the electors. As the board has been discussing for the last year, costs continue to rise, but revenues are stagnant. Also, the Fire Department needs a new fire truck. The town board proposes requesting exceeding the state levy limits to pay for the new fire truck and to have put more money into the town budget, mostly for roads construction. This request will be made at the special elector meeting scheduled for October 7, 2025, 5:00 p.m..
9. No further dates for budget meetings were set.
10. Motion by Cushing, second by Verdoorn to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried.

Next regular town board meeting has been moved to October 14, 2025, 5:00 p.m. at the Hazelhurst Community Center.

Meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Christy Myshchyshyn, Clerk