

Minutes

Town of Washington Board of Supervisors Tuesday, April 15, 2025, immediately commencing after the Annual Town Meeting, at Washington Town Hall Located at 2301 Town Hall Rd

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Board Members Present:

Jim Egan	Town Chairman	
Art Granat	Town Supervisor	
Carole Linn	Town Supervisor	
Tiffany Bolte	Town Treasurer	
Nancy Sobralski	Town Clerk	
There were 7 other people in attendance		

Meeting Minutes:

1	Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 6:26 PM
2	Verification of Postings	Sobralski stated the agenda was properly posted at the Wild Eagle Corner Store, MJ's Wayside, the Town Hall and on the Town's website. Local news media were notified more than 24 hours in advance.
3	Approval of the agenda to be discussed in any order at the discretion of the Chairman	Motion - Linn Seconded Granat All voting aye - Approved
4	Approval of the previous minutes from March 3, 2025	Motion - Linn Seconded Granat All voting aye - Approved
5	Oath of Office – Board Members	Each board member verbally recited the Oath of Office and signed the required form, EL-154 which will be on file in the Clerk's office.
6	Fire Truck Obligation	As discussed during the annual meeting, a resolution will be presented to the board in October 2025 to increase the tax levy for the fire truck purchase. The original amount was estimated at \$213,480.00, however, due to additional funding sources, our obligation has been reduced to \$201,267.00; due January 2026. The approved resolution and anticipated approval by town residents will occur at the November 2025 Special Elector meeting. This information is posted on the town website and in the town electronic newsletter.
7	Treasurer's Report	Bolte presented the March 2025 treasurer's report.
8	Town Foreman Report	Due to the inclement winter during February, road clean-up was performed during February. Road restrictions will remain in place until further notice. Buoy preparation began.

9	Maintenance of Roof on old Shop Building	The roof at the old shop building will need to be repaired due to damage sustained during inclement winter weather. Sobralski to contact our insurance company to confirm if replacement costs would be covered under our policy.
10	Mountain Bike Trail	Discussed concerns about the request for the mountain bike trail on the property on Deerview Rd. Concerns include habitat destruction, liability, and hunting disruption. Motion Egan to decline the request for a bike trail on Deerview Rd Seconded Linn All voting aye – Approved / Granat abstained
11	Plow Blade Restoration	The artwork is fading on the historic plow blade located at the town shop. Linn contacted Northland Pines Art Department to investigate if students would be interested in a community service project to restore the artwork. Linn advises the art department is interested in assisting during the 2025/2026 school year. Art instructor is discussing with Scott Foster.
12	Discussion/Adoption of Town of Washington Sign Ordinance	Linn presented the Town of Washington Sign Ordinance. Motion Egan to approve the Sign Ordinance Seconded – Linn All voting aye - Approved
13	Buoy Program Update	The buoy map has been updated with the assistance of Vilas County. Regarding buoy placement and removal, Linn contacted several businesses in the area to inquire about interest and she has identified two companies who are interested, both with costs of just under \$10,000 a year. Although cost prohibitive at this time, a long-term plan will need to be discussed regarding manpower for buoy placement and removal.
14	Transfer Station Tonnage Report	Linn advises tonnage in 2024 was approximately 360 tons, which is just below average since transfer station permit enforcement began. In 2020, tonnage was at the highest level at 387 tons and mainly attributed to higher population during COVID.
15	Topics for Town E-News	Transfer station hours and rental property reminder
16	Approval of Bills	Motion - Granat Seconded - Linn All voting aye - Approved
17	Adjournment	Motion - Granat Seconded - Linn All voting aye - Approved Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm

Nancy Sobralski – Town Clerk Date of Approval - 05/05/2025