



Town of Washington

Vilas County, Wisconsin

Minutes

Town of Washington Board of Supervisors

Monday, September 8, 2025, 5:15 pm, at the 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 – Excused	Town Supervisor
Tiffany Bolte	Town Treasurer
Nancy Sobralski	Town Clerk
There were 6 other people in attendance	

Meeting Minutes:

1	Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 5:15 pm
2	Pledge of Allegiance	Recited by all
3	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.
4	Approval of the agenda to be discussed in any order at the discretion of the Chairman	Motion - Granat Seconded – Egan All voting aye - Approved
5	Approval of the previous minutes from August 11, 2025, and Board of Review August 20, 2025	Motion – Egan Seconded – Granat All voting aye - Approved
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 August 2025 treasurer's report.
8	Town Foreman Report	Road brushing continued in the month of August. Removed low hanging branches on multiple town roads due to a school bus company request. Grading on gravel roads is complete. Continuing to monitor blockage at the culvert on Lynx Lake. Pitlik & Wick is scheduled to perform necessary work road, in September, on East Anvil Lake Rd. Brush site continues to have heavy utilization. Closure date for the brush site to be determined and will be in October. Per the Vilas County Addressing Ordinance, the first order of approximately 80 new fire lane signs will be placed, and installation will be weather dependent.

9	Roofing Update – Shop Building	The roofing project at the old garage is complete. Timothy Brod did an excellent job and the building looks great. Siding installation does need to be completed on the building and noted during the meeting.
10	Discussion – Chapter 21 – Short Term Rental Licensing Ordinance	Egan discussed the amendment to Chapter 21. The amended section of the ordinance is Section 21.05 (c) (10) and pertains to the usage of the transfer station by short term rental license holders. A communication will be mailed to the (approximately) 110 licenses holders to inform them of the change. Motion Egan to amend Chapter 21 as presented Seconded – Granat All voting aye – Approved
11	Discussion – Chapter 13 – Establishing Transfer Station Regulations and Procedures	Egan discussed the amendment to Chapter 13. The amended sections of the ordinance are Section 13.03 (3) and (5), Section 13.04 (7) and (8) and Section 13.05 (3) and pertain to the usage of the transfer station by short term rental license holders. A communication will be mailed to the (approximately) 110 licenses holders to inform them of the change. Motion Egan to amend Chapter 13 as presented Seconded – Granat All voting aye - Approved
12	EMS Meeting – Vilas County	Egan discussed a recent EMS Meeting with Vilas County and municipalities. The meeting was held due to a resolution presented to Vilas County by Lac du Flambeau and Arbor Vitae for Vilas County to implement a tax levy for EMS services. Egan explained that the Town of Washington contracts our services with Aspirus and budgeted taxpayer monies are earmarked each year for EMS services, and therefore an additional levy by Vilas County is not necessary. Vilas County will be setting up a committee for further discussion on feasibility of countywide EMS services.
13	Discussion – Animal Control Officer	Melissa McDonald has resigned as animal control officer for the Town of Washington; we are seeking to fill the position and posted the opening on our website.
14	Discussion – Bug Tussel Land Lease Request	Lee Larson has presented a land lease request for a new cellular tower for property on Forest Lane south of Hwy 70 East. The new tower would replace the existing tower on Weber Hill. Discussion around leasing the land and potential long-term impacts. Motion Egan to advise Bug Tussel we are not interested in pursuing a land lease agreement. Seconded -Granat All voting aye - Approved
15	Buoy Removal	Confirmed the buoys will be removed after Cranberry Fest; Town Foreman to contact the City of Eagle River to schedule the removal of the buoys.
16	First Aid & CPR Refresher Training – October 1	Originally scheduled for October 1, but due to scheduling conflicts, will need to be rescheduled. Granat to advise on a new date.
17	Topics for Town E-News	Ordinance Amendments as discussed in tonight’s meeting.
18	Approval of Bills	Motion - Granat Seconded - Egan All voting aye - Approved
19	Adjournment	Motion - Egan Seconded - Granat All voting aye – Approved Meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm

Nancy Sobraliski – Town Clerk
Date of Approval - 10/06/2025