



# Town of Washington

Vilas County, Wisconsin

## Minutes

**Town of Washington Board of Supervisors  
Monday, October 6, 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	Town Supervisor
Tiffany Bolte	Town Treasurer
Nancy Sobraliski	Town Clerk
There were 10 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	Sobraliski 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 - Linn Seconded - Granat All voting aye - Approved
5	Approval of the previous minutes from September 8, 2025	Motion - Granat Seconded - Egan 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. In September, we were notified of an additional reduction in our obligation, which is now \$196,515. The approved resolution and anticipated approval by town residents will occur at the November 18, 2025 Special Elector meeting. This information is posted on the town website and in the town electronic newsletter.
7	Adoption of Resolution 2025-01 - Resolution of Town Board Proposing to Exceed Levy Limits	Sobraliski presented the resolution for board approval to exceed the tax levy for 2025 (payable in 2026) by \$196,515 for the purchase of the fire truck. Motion Egan to adopt resolution 2025-01 as presented Seconded - Linn All voting aye - Approved
8	Treasurer's Report	Bolte presented the September 2025 treasurer's report.
9	Town Foreman Report	Bouy removal will occur this week. Due to heavy rain during September, Road patching on Butternut Lake Rd was performed, and shoulder repair and gravel road grading was needed. East Anvil Lake Rd is almost complete and

		should be finished mid-October. The new tractor will be retired for year and serviced for the winter. Brush site is still experiencing heavy utilization. Lighting at the town hall and shop has been completed. The culvert on Lynx Lake needs additional work due to beaver activity; Egan to assist on reaching out to the Vilas County contact. The culvert on East Cranberry Lake Rd is obstructed, kinked, deteriorating, and needs to be replaced. Town foreman to initiate the process for partial funding for culvert replacement from Vilas County anticipated in 2026.
10	Eagle River Fire Department – 2026 Budget	Egan advises the fire department has provided the 2026 budget request which is approximately a 10% year over year increase. Egan sought several clarifications from fire department representatives on the line-item budget. The budget calculation is based on equalized property values and for 2026 the department is requesting \$167,645.16. Motion Egan to approve fire department budget Seconded – Linn Abstained - Granat All voting aye – Approved
11	Liquor License Application – Pond Hockey – January 29 to February 1, 2026	Sobralski presented the liquor license application for Pond Hockey occurring January 29 to February 1, 2026. Motion – Egan Seconded – Granat All voting aye – Approved
12	Approval of Nominated Election Inspectors – 2026 to 2027	Sobralski presented the election inspectors list for approval. Election workers for 2026/2027 elections are: Sandy Adler, Jim Blaha, Debra Boone, Lynn Check, Donna Depape, Cathy Donohoe, Nancy Hart, Kamie Kolb, Nancy Moriarty, Susan Nett, Sarah Porter, Jackie Riedel, Michael Riedel, Laura Weber, and Lori Weber. Motion – Egan Seconded – Granat All voting aye - Approved
13	Approval of New Road Name – Indian Point Ln	Vilas County is seeking approval for a new town road – Indian Point Ln. Motion – Egan Seconded – Linn All voting aye – Approved
14	Buoy Removal	As mentioned during the town foreman report, removal will occur during the week of October 6.
15	Transfer Station Permit Printing	Due to possible replication of transfer station permits, Linn will seek guidance from the printer regarding adding a watermark or other recommended security safeguards.
16	CPR and First Aid Refresher Training	Granat will contact the trainer for availability on potential rescheduled dates - October 21 or November 4.
17	Discussion – Golf Cart Ordinance	A property owner submitted a request to adopt a golf cart ordinance allowing golf carts on town roads. Per state statutes, a municipality may allow the operation of golf carts on any highway that has a speed limit of 25 miles per hour or less. Everett Rd is the only town road with a speed limit of 25 miles per hour. The board discussed and due to safety concerns and the limitations of golf carts, no turn signals, no lights, no seat belts, and no age requirements for operation, the board is not in favor of pursuing. Motion Egan to not pursue a golf cart ordinance Seconded – Linn All voting aye – Approved
18	Approval of Operator Licenses	Sobralski presented operator license application for Shawna Lowrey. The applicant has completed the application, paid the fee and passed the background check. Motion to approve operator license – Egan

		Seconded – Granat All voting aye – Approved
19	Topics for Annual Newsletter	Chairperson’s message, CWPP information, Deerskin River update, dog license information, Trex bench giveaway, transfer station permit information, tax information, helipad update, animal control officer update, short term rental information, plow blade re-painting, firelane sign replacements due to Vilas County ordinance update, potential for carbon monoxide poisoning and exhaust openings, and 2026 election dates.
20	Topics for Town E-News	Short term rental information and permits, brush site closure will occur on Oct 27, budget hearing and special elector meeting on November 18.
21	Approval of Bills	Motion - Egan Seconded - Linn All voting aye – Approved
22	Adjournment	Motion - Egan Seconded - Linn All voting aye – Approved Meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm

Nancy Sobraliski – Town Clerk  
Date of Approval - 11/3/2025