

Rushford Town Board Minutes
Wednesday, August 5, 2026

The Town of Rushford August 2026 Board meeting was called to order on August 5, 2026 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. There was a moment of silence for Thomas Egan who passed on July 31st after a brief battle of cancer. Tom will be missed by all. Roll call was taken with Jerry Schoonover, Patrick Kafer, Katheryn Lewis & Peggy Hendricks present. Present for all or part of the meeting: 9 additional people per attendance record on file, though others were present who did not sign in.

Statement of Public Notice: Notice of this meeting, open book, the zoning meeting, zoning hearing and testing of election equipment was posted at the Waukau post office, Town hall door and the Towns website.

Appointment of Town Chair and supervisor to fill the remainder of the term (to fill Tom Egans position) According to the WTA, the vacancy is filled by nomination with the supervisors and clerk voting. This needs to be recorded though the minutes and then oaths of office are signed. At that time, the appointees can start serving until the April election. The clerk reminded everyone that caucus will be set during the December meeting with caucus being held between January 2 – 21st. Anyone interested in running for office would need to be nominated at caucus. ***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Hendricks to nominate Jerry Schoonover as Town Chair. Motion carried. Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Hendricks to nominate Ryan Helmuth to fill out the remainder of supervisor term to replace Jerry Schoonover. Motion carried.*** Kafer stated that Ryan Helmuth works for the Winnebago Corrections Department. He had to fill out a form with them and since the Town has hired the Corrections Department to do brushing, there might be a conflict of interest, so this might have to be revisited if they deny the appointment.

Clerks Report: ***Motion by Kafer to approve the minutes from July 1, 2026. Schoonover 2nd. Motion carried.***

Treasurers Report was given by Katheryn Lewis. The balance for the general account at the end of July was \$76,812.32. The balance in the tax account was \$4,131.65. ***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.***

Monthly Invoices: ***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to pay \$46,217.95 for August 2026 bills. Motion carried.***

Public Input: None

Communications & Correspondence: Hendricks received a letter from Winnebago Co Zoning Department informing us that they are completing their 10 yr Comprehensive future land use plan and map. They utilize all the Townships Comprehensive future land use plan map into their map. The Towns need to submit our latest version by September 14th. Hendricks received an email from Ripon Truck to see if they wanted the Town to do another pass of mowing to extend the footage of the ditch line, which the board decided that using the 14" mower was enough.

Old Business: Update on Kasuboski property: Eric Freund stated he is building on the parcel now and making progress. Freund will call Elizabeth Racine, who is the state inspector, to see if she has been out there at all.

Town Zoning report – Eric Freund: A zoning meeting was held on July 29th. The Committee approved a conditional use permit for Ann Tabbold, 3512 Delhi Rd, Omro to add an in-law suite addition as a 2nd dwelling space. Other inquiries were easement problems with neighbors on Liberty School Road which is a civil matter between them. It was stated that one neighbor has a container

without a conditional use permit along with unlicensed vehicles on the property. Other calls were property setbacks and blocking traffic on Mechanic St in Waukau

New Business:

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve the CUP for Ann Tabbold, 3512 Delhi Rd, Omro, parcel number 022 047102, to add an in-law suite of 674 sq ft to the existing home. Motion carried.

Discussion on Attorney appointment: Hendricks had 4 Town attorney proposals. ***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to appoint Lee Turonie from Dempsey Law, Oshkosh as the Towns attorney for \$305/hr and associate attorney at \$245/hr. Motion carried.***

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve Winnebago Co Zoning text code amendment to repeal and re-create the Winnebago Co Private on site wastewater treatment systems (POWTS), chapter 16 of Winnebago Co general code. Motion carried.

Town Hall Maintenance: None

Town Maintenance: Freunds have been busy with storm damage cleanup.

Building Permits

Noah Pomplun, 3160 Cty Rd E, Eureka

Replace windows and small interior remodel by Packer Valley Builders

\$50,000 022 06150202 7-10-2026

Steve Myers, 8020 Broadway Rd, Omro, WI

30 x 40 pole shed with concrete

\$40,000 022 047703 7-21-2026

Patrick Promen, 7296 Old Mill Road

New home built by Alley Construction

\$611,000 022 1464 7-23-2026

David Harris, 8619 Edgewater Ridge, Omro

48 Sq Re-roof by Overhead Solutions

\$14,958.08 022 032303 7-2-2026

Attended Meetings:

- Open book by phone on July 6, from 9-11 am. Call Action appraisers at 920-379-4515.
- Board of Review on July 21st from 4-6 pm – no one had any objections
- Delhi & Effigy Mounds dedication – Eric and Jerry attended
- SWMES meeting on July 30 – Pat attended
- Election equipment testing on August 5th

Election is August 11, 2026

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to adjourn the meeting at 7:35. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk – posted August 11, 2026