

Rushford Town Board Minutes
Wednesday, January 7, 2026

The Town of Rushford January 2026 Board meeting was called to order by Thomas Egan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Tom Egan, Jerry Schoonover, Katheryn Lewis & Peggy Hendricks present. Pat Kafer was excused. Also present for all or part of the meeting: 8 additional people per attendance record on file, though others were present who did not sign in.

Statement of Public Notice: Notice of this meeting and the end of the year meeting was posted at the Waukau post office, Town hall door and the Towns website.

Clerks Report: *Motion by Schoonover to approve the minutes from December 3, 2025, 2nd by Egan. Motion carried. Motion by Schoonover to approve the minutes from December 29th. Egan would not 2nd the motion, for he was not there and Kafer is not present tonight. This will be tabled until next month.*

Treasurers Report was given by Katheryn Lewis. The balance for the general account at the end of December was \$17,207.30. The balance in the tax account was \$1,092,060.62. *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

Payment of Monthly Invoices: *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to pay \$72,340.16 for January 2026 bills, \$4,206.83 to residents with tax overpayments, and \$1,075,993.41 to pay the January tax settlement. Motion carried.*

Communications & Correspondence: An email was received from COM2 Recycling Solutions to see if we would be interested in a free electronic recycling service. Peggy will contact them for more information. Kathy stated we received our January transportation aid payment of \$34,556.80. The ambulance service has started and the ambulance is at the Fire Department for now.

Old Business: Updates on Kasuboski: Kasuboski sent the Town his tentative plan for his building of his house this year. Another Court date can be waived with a tentative plan. Freund stated he is following the order and the Town should waive the next hearing. Freund will discuss this with Attorney Muza. Updates on Spencers: A little has been done and Eric will contact them to get a time line on the cleanup.

New Business:

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to appoint Cathy Jahn, Sherrie Wilson, Linda Kronschnabel, Debroah Hanford, Joe Malecki, Bonnie Barkow for 2026-2027. Motion approved.
Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve the Winnebago Co Erosion Control & Stormwater permit. Motion carried.

Town Zoning report – Eric Freund: Eric had discussion with residents inquiring about building permits, easements, purchases etc.

Town Zoning of Shoreland areas – Dean Kaderabek: Dean explained to residents why we are drawing a new zoning map per the communication from Winnebago Co on December 11, 2025. Two options were presented. The Town has decided to go with Option 1 which includes preparing a town zoning map that includes shoreland areas, to conduct a public hearing on the updated town zoning map and resolution and the Town Board to adopt the new map and resolution. 985 parcels are affected by the new map. It has to be understood that the County is still going to do the administrative in terms of establishing high water marks and set backs along with other things according to NR15 and SS 59.692. A public hearing will be held for the residents on January 28th pertaining to the re-mapping and the resolution with the Town Board meeting after the Public hearing to approve the

Zoning map and resolution. The Zoning meeting will be held on January 14th to discuss this. Class 2 publications will be done along with normal Town postings.

Town Hall Maintenance: The parking lot light is out. The thermostat in the office for the in-floor heat is not working.

Town Maintenance: There are 3 roads in the Town are met with other Townships. It was asked if maybe we want to share the expense of snowplowing with them. The Town line splits the road. Eureka Road, Rushford and Poygan are the roads in question. Hendricks said she sent a letter to County Rd K, informing him he would need a CUP for his container on the property. The resident called and questioned the decision. Hendricks told him to talk to Eric Freund. Eric said the resident did not call him and so far, no CUP application has come to the Town.

County Report: There will be 8 new County districts in the upcoming elections.

Attended meetings:

- Poll worker training on December 9th at 10 am
- SWEMS meeting on December 11th
- Status hearing for Kasuboski on December 17th
- Meeting of the Board on Monday, December 29th

Upcoming meetings

- Wisconsin Town Association Unit meeting on January 8 at 6:00 at the Town of Utica, 1730 Cty Road FF, Oshkosh
- January 14, 2026 – Zoning Committee meeting

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to adjourn the meeting at 7:45. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk