

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Thursday May 14, 2026
Held at the Alden Town Hall, Star Prairie, WI

Chairman Keith Karpenski called the board meeting to order at 7:02 PM

PRESENT: Keith Karpenski – Chairman, Town Board Supervisors--Gerald Anderson, Barry Ausen, Bruce Otto and Ted Johnson. Margo Dahl-Treasurer Christine Genung-Clerk
Road Workers Ben Grimsby and Jeff Johannsen

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA: The Monthly Board Meeting Agenda was presented to the Town Board. **Motion made by Supervisor Johnson, seconded Supervisor Ausen to approve the agenda.** Motion Carried

APPROVE BILLS: The monthly bills were presented to the Town Board. **Motion made by Supervisor Ausen, seconded by Supervisor Otto to approve payment of the bills as presented.** Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT: Treasurer's report was presented to the Town Board. **Motion made by Supervisor Otto, seconded by Supervisor Johnson to approve the Treasurer's report as presented.** Motion carried.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the April Board Meeting were presented to the Town Board. **Motion made by Supervisor Johnson, seconded by Supervisor Anderson to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2026 Board Meeting.** Motion passes.

Public Comment – Running for Polk County Sheriff, Don Burrows was present at our meeting. Church, Pine, Round & Big Lake District asked Supervisor Otto about Boat Landing Maintenance.

OLD BUSINESS – Pine Tree in Wagon Landing Cemetery was cleaned up

NEW BUSINESS –

1. **Motion by Supervisor Ted Johnson and Seconded by Supervisor Anderson asking for another 2 year term for Planning Commission members Dennis O'Hearn and Jackie Whitcomb.** Motion carried.
2. **Motion by Supervisor Ausen and seconded by Supervisor Anderson to move forward with ordering a new tri-axel dump truck.** Motion carried.
3. **Motion made by Supervisor Johnson seconded by Otto to approve Chairman Karpenski to approve and accept Gravel Crushing Bids on May 20, 2026.** Motion passes.

Statutory Plan Commission-

1. Maloney Property, 137 206th St. Star Prairie, WI. **– Motion made by Supervisor Ausen, Seconded by Supervisor Anderson to indicate the Town is not opposed to request to rezone from Ag5 to Residential.** Motion Passes.

2. Lisa Needels and Lori Purdy properties near Big Lake, 1881D 60th Ave. Osceola, WI. **Motion made by Supervisor Johnson, Seconded by Supervisor Anderson to take the recommendation of the Planning Commission to allow the variance requested.** Motion Passes.
3. North Rock property, West of 302 125th Land Division Request, **Motion by Supervisor Johnson and Seconded by Supervisor Ausen to approve request.** Motion Passes.

ROAD WORK UPDATE:

1. Culverts are in. Tentative plan to overlay the week of June 15. Discussion on rebuilding 45th Ave., Amery, WI. Next week the Road Crew will begin brooming roads.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

- a) Alcohol and Tobacco Licensing
- b) Move forward with Clerk/Treasurer Position
- c) Discuss PerMar Security and CWS (Cabin Watch Security)
- d) Update Fee Schedule for on/off Sale Liquor Licensing

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Johnson to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. Motion carried.

TO BE APPROVED AT THE June 11, 2026, BOARD MEETING

Submitted by

Christine Genung
Clerk