

Town of Otter Creek – September 8, 2026
Otter Creek Town Hall – E5905 County Road S, Wheeler WI
Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes– 6 p.m.

Attendees:

Chair LeAnn Ralph*

Supervisor 2 Bob Bernier*

Clerk/Treasurer Bev Bernier

Guests: Dustin Kragness, Gary Axness

*Board Members

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

The Regular Town Board Meeting was called to order by Chair Ralph at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8, 2026. Meeting minutes from the August 18, 2026 Board of Review, August 18, 2026 Regular Board Meeting and the September 3, 2026 Special Board Meeting were not read by Clerk as the Town Board reviewed the minutes prior to tonight's meeting and agreed that the minutes did not need to be read. Motion to approve the August 18, 2026 BOR and Regular Board Meeting, and the September 3, 2026 Special Board Meeting by Supervisor Bernier, second by Ralph, motion carried.

Public Comments - Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes. As per the state's Open Meetings law, there will be no back and forth discussion with the town board. The state Attorney General's guidance is that board members can ask clarifying questions but that back and forth discussion is not advised.

Comments from town patrolman – possibly need new pin for the snow plow

Communication from Town Chair – EMS budget needs to approved by October 1, 2026.

Schedule Zoom meeting once the budget is sent out for town board to approve. LRIP project – Mark Servi – need to look at the distance the project covered. Waiver form for land owners when we are brushing the roads late 2026/early 2027, chair will send to clerk. This will be sent to the landowners on the affected roads. Bloomer telephone may support EMS.

Communication from Town Supervisor

- **Supervisor 2** – 9/15/26 Chippewa Valley Energy will replace the propane tank. \$1.15/gal for first 300 gallons, future gallons are \$1.519. 1180th graded, 6 loads applied by Wirth. 50 loads of rock on 610th. Can get an estimate on brushing some additional roads.

Communication from Clerk –

- Sept. 24 - Fall WTA workshop – Eau Claire WI - \$75
- Sept. 29 – Momentum West – exploring Data Centers
- Oct 1 – 2 – Wausau WI - safety, security, and election administration training
- Oct. 20 – DC unit of WTA annual banquet 6:30 p.m. - \$19/person, \$50 annual dues

Discuss date for special elector meeting to update town board compensation details. Motion by Ralph to hold special elector meeting on October 13, 2026 at 6 p.m., regular board meeting to follow, second by Bernier, MC.

Review delinquent tax report from Dunn County Treasurer

Cutting Notice – Dean Ferry, County Road N, logger is Travis Anderson

Flatland July Inspection report –

- Grant Phillips E6771 County Rd N Solar rough 08/03-26
- Mark & Cynthia Seyer N9991 670th St EL 08/03/26
- Grant Phillips E6771 County Rd N Solar final 08/11/26
- Kurtis Malcore N12096 730th st Occupancy 08/25/26
- Deanna Rice E72121110th Ave Occupancy 08/25/23

Zoning permits -

- Don and Patricia Loback - E5585 1140th Ave, bedroom addition 28x24

Special Assessment request –

- Corey Carlson to MT Sinz, Cnty Hwy SS – 2 parcels
- Corey Carlson to Anthony Williams, Cnty Hwy SS – 2 parcels
- Ardith Obermueller to Sean Breslin, Cnty Road S – 40 acres

PIN transfers (from reg. of deeds) –

- Guy Ferry to Kyle Deutsch, 1020th Ave, \$90,000
- Aaron Dahlberg to Dean Patnaude, N11267 County Road S, \$337,000
- Ronald Geis to Steven Pasco, E5450 1090th Ave, \$550,000
- Corey Carlson to MT Sinz LLC, County Rd SS, \$600,000 (80 acres)

Treasurer - Review treasurer's report. Motion to approve the treasurer's report by Ralph, second by Bernier, MC.

Auditing of bills for payment. Bills circulated and approved by the Town Board.

Any other business

Adjournment of Regular Board Meeting. Motion to adjourn 7:10 p.m. by Ralph, second by Bernier. MC.

Respectfully submitted – Beverly Bernier, Clerk/Treasurer

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