

Rushford Town Board Minutes  
Wednesday, August 6, 2025

The Town of Rushford August 2025 Board meeting was called to order by Thomas Egan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Tom Egan, Jerry Schoonover, Pat Kafer, Katheryn Lewis & Peggy Hendricks present. Also present for all or part of the meeting: 7 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 passage of the sex offender residency restrictions was posted at the Waukau post office, Town hall door and the Towns website.

**Clerks Report:** *Motion by Schoonover to approve the minutes from July 2, 2025. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kafer. Discussion: Motion carried.*

**Treasurers Report** was given by Katheryn Lewis. The balance for the general account at the end of June was \$98,569.48. The balance in the tax account was \$3,311.03 *Motion by Schoonover, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kafer to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

**Payment of Monthly Invoices:** *Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to approve and pay \$104,127.26 invoices for August. Motion carried.*

**Public Input:** Barry Talley from Ripon Truck was present to tell the board that in all Townships, there are ditches with stumps that is doing damage to their equipment. They would like to pickup ditches and grind down the stumps. They figure it would take about 45-75 hours to go though the Township and they are offering Townships 3 years to pay with no interest. They are charging \$120/hr, for one man for brush mulching with skidster and cutterhead, \$120/hr for grapple truck with 34 ft reach with a 22 ft dumpbox for the truck and a guy with a chain saw for \$75/hr. Their goal is to get the ditches cleaned out of dead trees and brush, to cut stumps to the ground so they do not damage their equipment. Kafer asked when they start charging – if it was from the shop or the tac hour. He asked about how much he does an hour. Barry said he did not know for it varies.

Kirsten Buckstaff and Alexis Ludewig from the Winnebago Co Historical Society Marker Committee was present for they are planning on putting a historical designation marker to recognize the village of Delhi. They are hoping it will generate interest and cultivate the rich history of the town. They were hoping to have the Towns support for this, which the Board was totally on board with. They did have a couple sites in mind, but had questions on ownership of the land. There would be no cost to the Townships. They do plan on having a dedication. Ideas were to ask for contributions in the Towns newsletter.

Gordon Hintz, Winnebago Co executive, was present to introduce himself, for he is engaging with all municipalities. Egan asked Mr Hintz to explain the request for extra money from the County for EMS. He said the original study authorized \$40,000, but it came back that an extra \$24,000 is needed. This will be discussed at a finance meeting tomorrow.

**Communications & Correspondence:** The Town received a letter from the City of Oshkosh pertaining to the termination of ambulance service agreement on December 31, 2025 at 11:59 pm.

**Old Business:** Updates on Kasuboski: Mr. Kasuboski needs to get his permits worked out and show other indicators that he is working towards compliance. He is also in violation of the number of animal units on his property. It was determined he had 7 dogs with no dog license and 5 horses. The Clerk will send a letter out. But with the court order, he is not to have any. Egan was concerned with giving a Town building permit before the state permits come in. Egan said he talked to the state inspector and she said he had his stuff in but has not paid her. Tom would like her to go there and see what he is doing. Freund said he has photos and will contact the attorney to see if there is enough to

Updates on Spencer Property- Freund stated Attorney Blazel that a suit was filed and they have been served. They have a certain amount of time to reply before going to court for a judgement. Attorney Blazel and Eric Freund had met with Spencers and they inquired what exactly they had to do. They did do a little bit of cleanup the past couple days, but still much has to be done. Freund said photos were taken today and sent to Blazel. An order was filed on June 26<sup>th</sup> and Blazel will have to set a court date.

**Motion carried.** It was discussed to put the mowing out for bids next year. This does have to go back to the County Board.

***Motion by Egan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to approve the Southern Winnebago Emergency Medical Services which was revised. Motion carried.***

***Motion made by Schoonover, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kafer to approve a CSM for Patrick Ostrander, 9179 Stone School Road, parcel #022 0336 and 022 0340. Motion carried.***

UDC code ordinance – Attorney Blazel has worked on this ordinance taken from the Town of Omro. The Board needs to decide on a couple of items deciding when this is required. Hendricks though this was confusing with the Building permit that is given out by the Town which is in our ordinance. The ordinance had a couple of different options – if this was for only new single and two family homes or if we wanted it applicable to alterations, additions and accessory structures. The Board agreed this should only be for new homes. ***Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to have this UDC code applicable to new homes. Motion carried.***

Egan suggested the Zoning committee look to see if additional permits would be needed for solar panels.

***Motion by Schoonover, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kafer to sign the Joint Powers of Agreement for Winnebago O E911 users. Motion carried.***

**Town Zoning Report – Eric Freund:** Mr. Freund has gotten a few calls on what residents can do on several parcels.

**Town Hall Maintenance:** The urinal in the mens bathroom is still leaking. Kafer will get someone to come in and look at it.

**Town Maintenance:** Freunds will start ditching soon.

### **Building Permits:**

Fred Rideout, 9287 Eureka Lock Rd, Omro, WI  
Asphalt paving for drive way by Asphalt Specialist, Fond du Lac  
\$27,100                      022 0657                      7-2-2025

Janet Clausen, 9361 Eureka Lock Rd, Omro  
Re-roofing done by self  
\$4,000            022 0685            7-3-2025

Lee Bartelt, 3577 2nd St Rd, Omro, WI  
3 sided 70 x 200' barn with pens and 60 x 150' livestock lot on west end  
Built by self  
\$250,000                      022 0509                      7-18-2025

Mike Johnson, 380 N Capron St, Berlin for 7272 Meadowridge Dr, Pickett, WI  
Spilt rail fence  
\$2000                      022 1420 and 022 1421                      7-19-2025

Mark Strehlow, 9394 Liberty School Rd, Omro, WI  
Addition of energy storage to existing Solar Electric System  
Appleton Solar, LLC  
\$16,557                      022 009701                      7-23-2025

Jeffrey & Cheryl Williams, 7378 Bluebird Crossing, Omro, WI  
Solar Photovoltaic Roof Mount System & Utility Accessible Disconnect  
\$23,400                      022 1439                      7-23-2025

Logan Kallas, 8913 Eureka Lock Rd, Omro, WI  
20 x 30 garage addition built by self  
\$9,000                      022 064801                      8-4-2025

**County Report:** Tomorrow will be personnel and finance meetings where EMS will be discussed. Budget has started. They have a meeting for ARPA funds.

**Attended meetings:**

- Egan, Schoonover and Hendricks went to the Winnebago Co Unit meeting at the Town of Poygan on July 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Pat Kafer gave a report of the EMS meeting at the Town of Omro on July 24<sup>th</sup>

**Upcoming meetings**

- EMS meetings at the Town of Omro on August 7<sup>th</sup> and August 27.

***Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to adjourn the meeting at 9:00. Motion carried.***  
Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk