

Rushford Town Board Minutes
Wednesday, November 5, 2025

The Town of Rushford November 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: 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 was posted at the Waukau post office, Town hall door and the Towns website.

Clerks Report: *Motion by Schoonover to approve the minutes from October 1, 2025. 2nd by Kafer. Motion carried.*

Treasurers Report was given by Katheryn Lewis. The balance for the general account at the end of October was \$16,780.31. The balance in the tax account was \$1500.33. *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

Payment of Monthly Invoices: *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve and pay \$24,140.09 invoices for November. Motion carried.*

Township Policing report – Winnebago Co Sheriff Representative: Deputy Gruenstern was present to answer questions from residents.

Discussion with Attorney Blazel: Attorney Blazel explained the effects of the new County shoreland zoning ordinance. He said the County will still have shoreland overlay and the Town should ask for an extension to remap the Township and to rewrite our zoning ordinances. The County might be able to extend the date when their ordinance will go into effect. *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to ask for 120 day extension to get the Townships zoning in order to include shoreland zoning. Motion carried.*

Discussion on ordinance violations and fines sent – Sam Pinchart: Mr. Pinchart was present and asked to have the motion rescinded from last month to fine Mr. Pinchart for animal ordinance violations of \$100. He expressed his opinions, along with the animal humane constable, zoning administrator and neighbors. The Board agreed that the fine was given out and it will stand. If he wanted further recourse, he can take the Town to Court.

Public Input: Jim Moore had a park question on why there was not bathrooms at Waukau. Egan said a porta potty will be in place.

Communications & Correspondence: None

Old Business: Updates on Kasuboski: There was a court date on October 17th. On October 16th, he received his permits from the State inspector and Egan will go out to issue a building permit. The Court did not approve to fill in as the Town requested. The Court did say that no animals or use of the property stood and asked Mr. Kasuboski if he understood. There will a status hearing on December 17th.

Updates on Spencer Property- The Spencers were present at the meeting. Court was held on October 27th and the judge issued a default judgment to the Town. The Town has the right to have the property cleaned up and to charge them for the work. There was also a \$32,000 fine issued. Eric Freund said that there has been some cleanup done and they are making big strides. Mr. Freund said he will make up a list on what the Town wants done and they will revisit on December 3rd. The Town just wants the property cleaned up and the possibility of dropping or lowering the fine if clean up is done.

New Business:

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to adopt Resolution 251105-5, approving the Levy adjustment for the Omro Rushford Omro Fire Department, pursuant to Wi State Statutes 66.0602(3)(h). Motion approved.

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve the contract with AJ Inspection Services, LLC to be the Towns State Building Inspector. Motion Carried.

Town Maintenance: Kafer expressed his concerns on properties in the Town that was zoned commercial, but are no longer being used as commercial property. Kafer suggested asking the Highway Department to put in a 4 way stop sign at the intersection of County E and County K in the village of Eureka. The Board would also like the County to revisit the request of lowering the speed limits on County E and County K coming in and out of Eureka. ***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to contact the Winnebago Co highway department to consider installing a 4 way stop in Eureka and to consider raising the speed limit from 25 to 35. Motion carried.***

The Board would like Hendricks to put out mowing bids for the Eureka Park for next year and for the mowing, trim work and cleanup of area plants around the building at the Town hall. They would like it bid out by per mowing.

Building Permits:

Roger Kasuboski, 3375 State Rd 116, Omro, WI

Single family home

\$80,000 022 0220801 10/15/2025

Ron Fink, 7755 Cty Rd K, Omro, WI

Generator put in by Zimmer Electric

\$5000 022 077901 10/10/2025

Beez Electric – Brice Pomplun for 3175 Cty Rd E, Omro, WI

New outlet for water heater, smoke detectors, switches and receptacles and new subpanel

\$9,622.75 022 06150101 10/08/2025

Todd Schafer, 3578 Bell Line Rd, Berlin, WI

Barn built by Plank Construction, Hancock, WI

\$23,000 022 0374 10/10/2025

Pat & Bev Ostrander, 9179 Stone School Road, Omro, WI

New home built by Sunrise Home Solutions

\$396,800 022033603 09/15/2025

Diane Rosentheil, 9154 Stone School Road, Omro

Basement remodel by self

\$25,000 022 033501 10/22/2025

Kyle Spanbauer, 8303 Oakhill Road for Edgewater Ridge

New home by Prairestone Home – Eric Hoffman

\$400,000 022 02800204 08/22/2025

SBA Towers, Pittsburg, PA, for 4158 County Road K, Omro

Updates on Cell Tower by Elite, ICT

\$30,000 022 019002 10/20/2025

Tom Yost, 3512 Island Rd, Omro
14 x 20 storage building
\$2,500 022 2480 10-28-2025

Adam Laramore, 3074 Cty Rd E, Eureka
Siding, doors & windows by self
\$15,000 022 1501 10-28-2025

Rosanne Smerling, 4549 Spring Road, Omro
Roofing & Trim work by Overhead Solutions
\$13,000 022 0087 10-20-2025

Attended meetings:

Pat Kafer gave a report of the EMS meeting at the Town of Omro EMS meeting on 10-15.
Hendricks gave a report on the WTA unit meeting held at the Town of Rushford on October 2, Board of Review October 16th, and the WTA convention held at Wisconsin Dells on October 12-14th.

Upcoming meetings

- Hendricks will schedule a budget workshop meeting the Budget hearing will be held at 6:30 before the December meeting
- SWEMS ambulance Board meeting on November 13th

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to adjourn the meeting at 9:05. Motion carried.
Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk