

Regular Monthly Board Meeting of the Town of Trade Lake

11811 Town Hall Rd, Frederic, WI 54837

7/13/2026

Meeting called to order by Chairman Ramona Moody at 6:00pm. There are 7 in attendance.

Board Members Present: Chairman Ramona Moody ☒; Supervisor Scott Doornink ☒; Supervisor Adam Lesak ☒

Others Present: Treasurer Julie Pemble-Peterson ☒; Clerk Marjie Gravelle ☒; Hwy Maintenance Jeremy Scheider, excused

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Affidavit of Posting: Notices and agenda were posted according to §19.84 at the Trade Lake Store, Bass Lake Lumber and the Town Hall on 7/6/2026 @ 2:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda order: Motion by Lesak to approve the agenda. Seconded by Doornink. Motion carried by voice vote.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Lesak to approve the minutes of the 6/11/2026. Seconded by Doornink Carried by voice vote. Marjie brought it to the Board's attention the total assests documented for March and April were off as one account was not added into the total. March 31, 2026 total assets should be \$986,699.80 and April 30, 2026 total assets should have been reported as \$977,839.23.

Treasure's Report: Julie reported total assets as of 6/30/2026 are \$956,326.97 All accounts reconciled.

Machinery Fund – 182-day CD: No action taken.

Open/Award Paving Patch Spook Rd: We received two bids. Seal Tech bid was for \$4,680.00. Monarch Paving bid was \$3,500.00. Motion by Doornink to award Spook Road paving patch to Monarch Paving for \$3,500.00 2nd by Lesak Motion carried by voice vote.

Lakeland Communications – Proposed Telephone Cable Construction: We have not received an application. No action taken. Ramona will send the company an email and remind them that no work can be done without permit and proper approval.

Burnett County Variance #VAR-26-17 – 12228 Pickerel Pt: Motion by Moody to send a letter to Burnett County Land Services on Variance #VAR-26-17 that the Town of Trade Lake board will allow this variance so long as any part of any structure does not encroach further within the road right-of-way. If proposed structures will come any closer to the road right-of-way, the Town of Trade Lake will request denial of the variance. 2nd by Doornink Motion carried by voice vote with Adam recusing himself from the vote.

Fire Reports: Frederic Fire: Marjean reported the fundraiser went well. 793 people were served and they raised around \$25,000. Grantsburg Fire: Grantsburg Fire signed a mutual aid agreement with Rush City. Incidents last year at this time were 94 & year to date is 70. There are 20 on the Roster; 2 new passed certification and 5 pending applications. The crew completed 18 hours of pump training. Todd submitted a FEMA grant for \$206,000 that would cover 18 air packs. This grant will be awarding in August or September. The pancake breakfast generated approximately \$2,600.00.

Ambulance Report: The next ambulance is July 22nd. The contract negotiation meeting was June 17th North Memorial declined 244 transfers and conducted 585 transfers in 2025. They have declined 135 so far this year. If we stipulated in the new contract that North is not to take any transfers the subsidy to the municipalities in the contract will go up approximately \$2.5 million. There was discussion on possible package options for the new contract. North with put together some proposals and bring this back to the next meeting contract meeting in August. There is a paramedic shortage so the options will be limited in the type of trucks we request if it is decided to add any additional trucks.

Highway Maintenance Report: Jeremy has completed ditch mowing, grading roads and reported electrical issues with the dump truck. Scott has recused himself from the voting for the chip seal project.

- a. **Chip Seal Stillson Rd:** Motion by Moody to contract with the County to chip seal Stillson Rd in the amount of \$15,478.29. 2nd by Lesak Motion carried by voice vote.
- b. **Pavement by Melo Dr Bridge: Pave or Chip Seal:** This will need to go out for paving bid as it is too far gone to patch or chip seal.

Amendment to Election Worker List: Bonnie had someone request to become an election poll worker. Motion by Doornink to amend the 2026-2027 Poll Worker list to add Tom Berner. 2nd by Lesak Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Comment: Marjean Legler asked what was the outcome of the cost to the municipalities for County treasurer software.

Propane Prebuy: After discussion, Motion by Moody to switch to Superior Fuel and prebuy for 2,500 gallons of propane. If Lakes Gas is willing to match Superior Fuel then we will stay with Lakes Gas. 2nd by Doornink Motion carried by voice vote.

Payment of Town Bills: Motion by Doornink to pay town bills in the amount of \$57,788.87, 2nd by Moody. Carried by voice vote.

Agenda for next Monthly Board Meeting: August 13, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m.

Adjourn: Motion by Lesak to adjourn,, 2nd by Doornink. Carried by voice vote. Motion carried by voice vote at 7:10 p.m.

Submitted by Marjie Gravelle, Clerk