

Town of Land O' Lakes
Town Board Meeting Minutes
June 17, 2026, 6:00 PM

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6pm by Chairman Dan Balog

II. Roll Call

Present: Chairman Dan Balog, Supervisors: Sam Otterpohl, Kevin Konnow and Clerk/Treasurer Lynn, Jolin.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

IV. Approve or Revise Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as printed and posted was made by S. Otterpohl and seconded by K. Konnow. The motion carried unanimously.

V. Approve Minutes from Prior Meeting(s)

Motion to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2026 Board of Review and May 27, 2026 Town Board meeting was made by S. Otterpohl and seconded by D. Balog. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. Review and Approve Treasurer Report and Check Vouchers

The Treasurer presented the following account balances:

- General Fund: \$129,003.65, reflecting a correction of a \$2,602.78 deposit that had been incorrectly posted to the general fund instead of the airport account.
- Tax Collection Account: \$398,963.72, including a \$3,000 payment from Headwater State Bank and \$1,009.03 in interest.
- BMO Money Market: \$117,008.55 after interest.
- BMO Checking: \$1,597.51 after a credit card EFT of \$1,483.95.
- Local Government Investment Pool: \$457,875.49 after interest of \$1,406.00.

Motion to approve the General Fund adjustments and pay recorded checks #21731–#21771 in the amount of \$10,314.49, along with the May EFT to We Energies of \$993.06 and the account correction of \$2,602.78, was made by S. Otterpohl and seconded by K. Konnow . The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the BMO Harris checking EFT credit card payment of \$1,483.95 was made S. Otterpohl and seconded by K. Konnow. The motion carried unanimously.

VII. Open Issues

a. Library Programs & Activities

The Library Director reported that summer programming is underway under the theme "Unearth a Story" (dinosaurs). Highlights included a refurbished laptop giveaway with 42 units distributed that day and 58 remaining for Wisconsin/Vilas County residents, a senior scams presentation with 14 attendees, and the first summer story hour drawing 16 children. The Library of Things continues to see strong demand.

b. Alcohol Beverage License Applications 7-1-26 To 6-30-27

The Clerk noted two exceptions from the standard license list: GRN Black Oak Holdings LLC was conditionally approved pending reactivation of their seller's permit, and the former Dawson's Pier/Rhineland Express LLC location had no application on file and no publication completed, so no action could be taken for that establishment. A temporary Class B beer and wine license was requested by VFW Post 8400 for the July 3rd airport fireworks event.

Motion to approve the Class B Combination (intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages) licenses for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, as listed, with conditional approval for Black Oak Holdings, was made by S. Otterpohl and seconded by D. Balog. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the Class A Combination (intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages) licenses for Krist Oil, Gateway Express, Charlie's Market, and the Sawbuck for July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027 was made by S. Otterpohl and seconded by K. Konnow. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Class C Wine licenses for Melanie Maes and the Local Press Deli was made by S. Otterpohl and seconded by D. Balog. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve a temporary Class B beer and wine license for VFW Post 8400 for July 3rd from 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM was made K. Konnow and seconded by S. Otterpohl. The motion carried unanimously.

c. Cigarette License Applications 7-1-26 To 6-30-27

Motion to approve cigarette/tobacco and electronic vaping device licenses for Bents Camp, Gateway Express, and Krist Oil Company was made by S. Otterpohl and seconded by K. Konnow. The motion carried 3-0.

d. Operator's License Applications

Motion to approve operator's licenses for Amy Schaetz, and Kathryn Hirvela was made by K. Konnow and seconded by D. Balog. The motion carried 3-0.

e. Quote for Sheds for the Collection Site & Recycling Center

The Board reviewed a quote for two structures. The Board agreed to proceed with the attendant shed (10'×12' with a 4-foot porch, LP Smart Siding, metal roof), priced at \$5,287.27, to replace the deteriorating existing 8×8 structure. The shed will be placed on gravel (no concrete pad required), and the town will handle interior insulation, drywall, and electrical work internally. Estimated delivery timeframe of approximately two weeks. Discussion regarding a carport-style structure to shelter reusable items was tabled, with the consensus being to avoid spending significant funds to house discarded goods.

Motion to purchase the shed for the collection site was made by S. Otterpohl and seconded by K. Konnow. The motion carried 3-0.

f. Camper Permit Violation, 4522 Evergreen Rd

The Board discussed an ongoing camper permit violation that has remained unresolved for approximately a year and a half. Two campers are now on the property with sanitation concerns. Letters sent to the property owner have gone unanswered. The Board agreed to engage the town's attorney to determine next steps toward enforcement.

Motion to contact the town attorney regarding the camper permit violation at 4522 Evergreen Road was made by K. Konnow and seconded by S. Otterpohl. The motion carried 3-0.

VIII. New Business

a. Republic Services Contract for Collection Site And Recycling Center

The Board reviewed the new Republic Services contract. The primary change was an increase of \$91 in the hauling fee, attributed to fuel costs. Waste disposal and recycling tonnage rates were largely unchanged. Kathy Linville, a Republic Services representative attended and offered to provide a recycling education presentation and updated recycling guidelines for distribution to the public. Extensive discussion took place regarding the increasing use of the collection site by non-residents, particularly following the closure of the Highway G recycling site. The Board discussed implementing a residency verification policy—such as requiring a utility bill - to limit access to Land O' Lakes residents and taxpayers, with non-residents subject to additional fees. The Board indicated interest in placing this as an agenda item for the next meeting.

Motion to approve the new Republic Services service agreement was made by S. Otterpohl and seconded by K. Konnow. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items for The Town Board - Wed. July 15, 2026
At 6pm

The next Town Board meeting was confirmed for Wednesday, July 15, 2026 at 6:00 PM.

IX. Public Input - Limited to Items on the Agenda

A member of the public raised the issue of contractor use of the collection site and the need for accountability at the site. Discussion also touched on the need for a capital reserve study to plan for future fire department equipment needs, including truck refurbishments and eventual replacement. A board member noted that a rolling 5-year capital plan would be beneficial for budget planning. It was noted that a new ambulance is on order with an expected delivery of 2027–2028.

X. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:03pm was made by S. Otterpohl and seconded by D. Balog. The motion carried 3-0.

Respectfyllly Submitted,

/s/Lynn Jolin, Clerk/Treasurer