

TOWN OF RIVER FALLS – REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, March 16, 2026, River Falls Town Hall

Elected officials and staff present: Terry Kusilek, Chair; Mary Foster, Siri Smith, Joe Mahoney, Brad Mogen Supervisors; Rita Kozak, Treasurer; Don Rodewald, Zoning Administrator; Guests present: Wendy DiPeso, Maureen Ash, Kristin Nyquist, Jerome Rodewald, Mary Merta

The meeting was called to order by Chair Terry Kusilek at 7:03pm. Brad made an agenda adjustment motion to move Guest Speaker: Tom Jenkins/Rural Mutual Insurance presentation to follow approval of minutes. Joe seconded. M.C.

Joe moved to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2026, Regular Board meeting. Siri seconded. M.C.

Guest Speaker: Tom Jenkins: Presented invoice for Town coverage to start 4/4/2026. Tom reviewed coverage and noted that he had revised insurance coverage for Town structures. A list of updated coverage for specific items and equipment will be compiled and sent to correct to existing coverages.

Financial Report/Fire Call Report: Treasurer Rita provided the Treasurer's Report. The current available balance is \$771,299.47. A motion was made by Joe and seconded by Mary to send the James Taylor fire call back to the Rural Fire Association to change it to a good intent call. Motion carried 4-1. The existing Town of River Falls Resolution #2012-G will need to be updated to reflect administrative fee added to fire/accident calls. Siri moved, and Mary seconded to approve the financial and fire call reports. M.C. Sarah and Rita will work with the town attorney to add the fire call administration fee.

Public Comments & Requests: Terry announced that next Town Board meeting is March 30, 2026, at 7 p.m.. Maureen Ash complimented road crew on plowing after snowstorm.

Zoning Administrator Report: Zoning Administrator Don Rodewald provided the zoning report (attached). Joe made a motion to accept the Zoning Administrator's report. Brad seconded. M.C.

Plan Commission Report: Plan commission approved the Peter/Ruth Stern CSM.

Schedule 2026 Roads Tour: Tabled until April 2026 election. Terry will check on availability of a bus from the school district.

Discuss and Approve Impact Fees on Fee Chart: Single Family impact fees will be set at \$3,000, new duplex impact fees will be \$6,000, and the land use fees for a new dwelling with an attached garage will be \$1,200. Siri made a motion to dedicate impact fees to roads and change fee schedule to reflect new impacts fees. Joe seconded. MC

Discuss and Approve Election Day Contingency Plan: Joe made a motion to approve emergency plan. Brad seconded. MC

Discuss and Approve Ordinance 2026 – 1: An Ordinance Repealing and Recreating Chapter 19 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of River Falls: Tabled until format corrected and reviewed by Bob Loberg.

Data Center Moratorium: Brad will contact WTA for information. No action taken.

Board and Staff Communications: Joe will link individual to WTA recycling program and needs key for shop door. Terry is requesting further information on roof replacement of shop due to multiple leaks and rotting boards. Siri noted that temporary fixes on metal roofs are not a long term solution. Terry purchased a 12' plow to be used as a back-up plow. Next year's budget needs to include a line item for shoveling at the town hall. Pierce/Pepin has a March 24, 2026 program to discuss underground electric safety and herbicide spraying. The County's Towns meeting in June will be held at the River Falls Town Hall—date to be announced.

Audit and Pay Bills Siri moved to audit and pay bills, Mary seconded. M.C.

Future Agenda items:

- Approve Agenda
- Minutes from March 16, 2025, Regular Board Meeting
- Financial/Fire Call Report
- Public Comments and Requests
- Zoning Administrator Report
- Plan Commission Report
- Resolution 2026 – A: Resolution to Support Sustainable Transportation Funding
- LRIP and small structure??
- Seal Coat bids
- Standing Committee Ordinance Language
- Review CUP Modifications for Forestville Winery
- Discuss Possibility of a Data Center Moratorium
- Resolution 2012-G--amendment
- Board and Staff Communications
- Future Agenda Items
- Audit and Pay Bills
- Adjourn

Joe moved to adjourn. Siri seconded. M.C. Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.