

TOWN OF RIVER FALLS – REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, July 6, 2026, River Falls Town Hall

The meeting was called to order by Chair Terry Kusilek at 7:10pm. Elected officials and staff present: Terry Kusilek, Chair; Mary Foster, Siri Smith, Joe Mahoney, Jerome Rodewald; Supervisors; Rita Kozak, Treasurer; Don Rodewald, Zoning Administrator; Guests present: Maureen Ash, Victoria Rader, Wendy DiPeso

Joe made a motion to approve the agenda as posted. Siri seconded. M.C.

Jerome moved to approve the corrected minutes of the June 15, 2026, Regular Board meeting. Siri seconded. M.C.

Jerome moved to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2026, Closed Session Board meeting. Siri seconded. M.C.

Financial Report/Fire Call Report: Treasurer Rita provided the Treasurer's Report. The current available balance is \$438,126.55. Joe moved, and Jerome seconded to approve the financial and fire call reports. M.C.

Public Comments & Requests: Victoria Rader inquired about inconsistent spraying and will meet with Terry.

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

Plan Commission Report: Siri indicated that the Plan Commission approved the Harsdorf CSM. Siri discussed the proposed Delbert Johnson Annexation in a meeting with City of River Falls zoning administrator and city planner. Ken and Diane Forsland's permit request will be discussed at the next board meeting. A hyperscale development committee will be formed. Report accepted by board.

Discuss and Approve Additional Operator Licenses for Forestville Winery and Event Center, W8101 690th Ave

Mary moved to approved the additional operator licenses for Forestville Winery and Event Center. Joe seconded. MC

Discuss and Take Action on Sale of 2017 Peterbilt Plow Truck

The Peterbilt Plow Truck 2017 is listed on different websites—the Town's Facebook page, Dalton's Facebook page and the Commercial Truck Trader. Siri moved to authorize Terry and Jerome to negotiate price and on behalf of the board. Mary seconded. MC

Approve Ordinance 2026-4: An Ordinance Repealing and Amending Certain Provisions of Chapter 19 of the Code of Ordinances (General Code) of the Town of River Falls. Revisions will be made and it will be reviewed again on July 20, 2026.

Discuss and Take Action on Plans for Improvements at the Town Hall Terry will check with Arrow on the doors and whether the doors need to be painted. Terry suggested that the Town do the ramp work with volunteers. The deck boards will be replaced as well as the railing and the door entry will be corrected for wheelchair access. Board agreement that work should proceed with this idea to meet code for the November election. No other items were discussed.

Discuss and Take Action on Paid Time Off Policy—Tabled until next meeting.

Discuss Plans for Town Hall 125th Celebration: Rita provided an update on communication with Katie Pata and Sarah. Various logos have been discussed.

Discuss Moratorium on Hyperscale Projects in the Town: Terry has asked Barry Hammarback and John Kucinski to participate in a committee to discuss legal ramifications and moratorium language that is defensible. It was noted that this committee needs to move with some urgency. Terry has appointed Barry Hammarback, John Kucinski, Siri and Brad to this committee. Siri will schedule meetings.

Board and Staff Communications: Rita indicated that Greg Wheeler inquired about spraying done by the Town on his property on 810th Avenue near his bee hives. He was referred to Terry Kusilek. Jerome indicated that Mike Pfremer said the digester light issue has improved. Jerome indicated that other surrounding Towns had better control of wild parsnip which our town did not spray for. Don suggested that the town could mow more as well as buy more spray. Jerome noted that in the past, the brush on the rustic road was done poorly and not in compliance with Rustic Road policies which delineates trim and spray actions. Mary said that Chapter 1 Parks language is complete, that Jason Hunt completed the welding on the bus frame/bridge. Terry showed the board a bird house with signage that indicates the public/private land designation for Town parks. Terry said the new truck is done and he has updated the insurance. The warranty will start on July 6, 2026. The truck will go to Gilbey's for Town signage.

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

Future Agenda items:

- Approve Agenda
- Minutes from July 6, 2026, Regular Board Meeting
- Financial/Fire Call Report
- Public Comments and Requests
- Zoning Administrator Report
- Plan Commission Report
- Discuss and Take Action on Sale of 2017 Peterbilt Plow Truck
- Approve Ordinance 2026-4: An Ordinance Repealing and Amending Certain Provisions of Chapter 19 of the Code of Ordinances (General Code) of the Town of River Falls.
- Discuss and Take Action on Plans for Improvements at the Town Hall
- Discuss and Take Action on Paid Time Off Policy
- Discuss Plans for Town Hall 125th Celebration
- Discuss Moratorium on Hyperscale Projects in the Town
- Board and Staff Communications
- Future Agenda Items
- Audit and Pay Bills
- Adjourn

Joe moved to adjourn. Siri seconded. M.C. Meeting adjourned at 9:09pm.