

TOWN OF RIVER FALLS – REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, July 20, 2026, River Falls Town Hall

The meeting was called to order by Chair Terry Kusilek at 7:11pm. Elected officials and staff present: Terry Kusilek, Chair; Mary Foster, Siri Smith, Joe Mahoney, Jerome Rodewald; Supervisors; Rita Kozak, Treasurer; Sarah Meyer, Clerk; Don Rodewald, Zoning Administrator; Guests present: Maureen Ash, Victoria Rader, Wendy DiPeso, Brad Peterson

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

Mary moved to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2026, Regular Board meeting. Joe seconded. M.C.

Financial Report/Fire Call Report: Treasurer Rita provided the Treasurer's Report. The current available balance is \$393,344.85. Joe moved, and Siri seconded to approve the financial and fire call reports. M.C.

Public Comments & Requests: Victoria Rader met with Terry to speak about flowers that were sprayed in the ditches near her home. She asked if there is a way to allow homeowners to request to not be sprayed?

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 shared that the Plan Commission recommends the approval of the accommodation for setback requirements for David Valstuin, N8031 975th Street. Siri moved to accept the Plan Commission recommendation and approve the accommodation for setback requirements for David Valstuin, N8031 975th Street. Jerome seconded the motion. M.C.

Siri also shared that the Plan Commission denied the application for an accessory building permit for Kent and Diane Forsland.

Discuss and Take Action on Sale of 2017 Peterbilt Plow Truck: Jerome reported that the truck and snowplow sold for \$108,000 to a company in Murray, Utah. The funds have been transferred but the truck has not been picked up yet.

Discuss and Take Action on Parking Signs on 862nd Street: Cars parking on both sides of 862nd Street has continued to be an issue. Mary made a motion for Terry and Rob to put no parking signs on 862nd Street for a distance of approximately 1,400 feet to include the curve. Joe seconded. M.C.

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: Joe made a motion to 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. Mary seconded. M.C.

Discuss and Take Action on Plans for Improvements at the Town Hall: Sarah will work with Jason Hyde on several projects, including painting the doors, changing out the doorknobs and the work in the entryway. The Facilities Committee will take up the floor project. Terry, Rob and Dalton will work on replacing the ramp. Jerome made a motion to approve purchase of the HDMI transmitters, speakers and microphones. Mary seconded. M.C.

Discuss and Take Action on Paid Time Off Policy: Mary moved to approve policy update to allow employees to take PTO over 40 hours. Siri seconded. M.C.

Discuss Plans for Town Hall 125th Celebration: The committee plans to hold the event in September and to serve root beer floats.

Discuss Moratorium on Hyperscale Projects in the Town: Siri told the Board that the committee has met once. The committee will be reviewing other municipalities' moratorium language to bring back to the Board.

Board and Staff Communications: Joe is looking for recycling workers, they are very short staffed. Mary shared an update from Parks that they are ready to set the bridge at Halverson Park. Mary also stated that the Committee tasked with investigating the Clerk and Treasurer positions is ready to give a recommendation. This will be on the next Board meeting agenda. Sarah has had a struggle to schedule enough workers for the August 11 election day. Terry stated that the shop needs a new roof. The Facilities committee will work on deciding what to do with the project.

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

Future Agenda items:

- Approve Agenda
- Minutes from July 20, 2026, Regular Board Meeting
- Financial/Fire Call Report
- Public Comments and Requests
- Zoning Administrator Report
- Plan Commission Report
- Assessment Proposals
- Update to Facilities Committee
- Joint Public Hearing for a Certified Survey Map for Kinni Storage, N8180 945th Street
- Discuss and Take Action on Contract for Town Assessment Services
- Discussion on Policy for Plan Commission Recommendations
- Discuss Facilities Committee Updates
- Discuss Clerk/Treasurer Appointed or Elected Transition
- Discuss and Take Action on Plans for Improvements at the Town Hall
- 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 8:51pm.