

**Town of New Hope Regular Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, July 14, 2026 6:00 p.m.**

**North New Hope Church, 845 County Road T North**

Members present: Chair Todd Knepfel, Supervisors Timm Raddatz and Ray Reser

Also present: Treasurer Dorene Stolpa, Clerk Pat Zellmer Guests: Adam Maier, Tim Stolpa

1. **Call to order, followed by Pledge of Allegiance.** The Regular July Town Board meeting was called to order by Chair Todd Knepfel at 6:010 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Review/Approval of Minutes.** Supervisor Reser motioned to accept the June minutes as written, seconded by Supervisor Raddatz. Motion carried 3:0.
3. **Persons who wish to address the Board.** No one appeared.
4. **Road Report.** Fahrners completed work on Rolling Hills and Five Corner Roads. A culvert on River Road was replaced by Glodowski Construction; a culvert on N Lake Road still is in need of replacement by Glodowski Construction. Repair to Gullickson Road turnaround may have been repaired by landowner; Chair Knepfel will follow up. Swenson completed brushing on Sunset Lake and Krogwold Roads; brushing needs to be completed on Hotvedt to MM.
5. **August Primary.** Clerk Zellmer requested approval of 3 poll workers for the August Primary and 5 poll workers for the November General Election. Supervisor Reser moved to approve both, seconded by Supervisor Raddatz; motion carried 3:0.
6. **New Business:**
  - a. Portage Co. Planning/Zoning will hold a public hearing Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. in Conference Rooms 1 & 2 of the County Annex, 1462 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point on the county shoreline zoning ordinance.
  - b. Discussion on snow removal for the upcoming winter ensued. Options were discussed; the Board will continue to seek a solution after notification that Glodowski Constr. will no longer plow.
  - c. Bob Lane requested permission to install two canoe landing signs along the Tomorrow River. After discussion, it was decided that Chair Knepfel will follow up.
  - d. WTA meeting Monday, July 27 at 6:15, Town of Lanark, 4550 Wojcik Memorial Dr. Stevens Point.
  - e. The next BOR meeting will be changed from 9/9 to Thursday, Sept. 10, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. More information will be posted on the Town Website.
  - f. The revised Town Website will go live within the next two weeks ([www.tn.newhope.wi.gov](http://www.tn.newhope.wi.gov))
  - g. A letter will be sent to all New Hope property owners to update information regarding property re-valuation, new building inspector and permit changes, and website revision within the next week.
7. **Payment of Bills.** Supervisor Raddatz made a motion to pay July bills totaling \$39,732.39, seconded by Supervisor Reser. Motion carried 3:0.
8. **Next meeting date.**
  - a. The regular August Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 20 at 6:00 (North New Hope Church).
  - b. Public test of D200 Election Equipment is set for 9:00am, Saturday, August 1 (N. New Hope Church)
  - c. August Primary, Tuesday, Aug. 11 from 7:00am – 8:00pm (N New Hope Church)

- d. Open Book Aug. 31, 10:00-2:00pm (N New Hope Church), pending State revaluation approval and completion of assessment book by County. Residents may also call the Assessor during that time (10:00-2:00 8/31) at 715-848-9300 regarding questions on assessment.
- e. The September BOR meeting has been changed to Sept. 10, 5:00 – 7:00pm by appointment only.

9. **GEC (Building Inspector) Presentation.** Adam Maier (GEC) presented on GEC permits. As of August 1, 2026, all building permits will be contracted directly with GEC. Online applications can be completed by visiting their website <https://www.generalengineering.net/forms-resources/> and selecting **Online Service Applications**. *Prior to submitting an application, the resident should gather the following as needed for a specific permit: Parcel Number; Zoning Permit Number; Sanitary Permit Number; Electronic Copy of all Plans; Contractor information [License Number(s) and Expiration Date(s)]. As a reminder, no work should begin until you have an approved permit.*  
**GEC's** David Wright will serve as the local building inspector; Casey Kinnear will serve as permit technician. Residents anticipating building or reconstruction should first contact Portage Co. Planning and Zoning. More details can be found on the Town Website ([www.tn.newhope.wi.gov](http://www.tn.newhope.wi.gov)).

10. **Adjournment.** Supervisor Raddatz moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06, seconded by Supervisor Reser. Motion passed 3:0. Meeting adjourned.