

Town of Rutland Board Meeting Minutes
April 1, 2026– 6:30 pm.
785 Center Road, Stoughton WI

This board meeting was held via Zoom and in person.

1. Call to Order and roll call. Town Chair Kent Knutson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Present in addition to the Chair were Supervisors Nancy Nedveck, Sue Williams, and Mark Porter. Jim Dorn attended via Zoom. Also present in addition to the Board were Clerk Dawn George, Treasurer Kim Sime, Deputy Clerk Amanda Bartlett, Rutland IT Technician Derek Nedveck and Patrolman Chester Ace. The attendance list of others present is on file.
2. Certification and compliance with open meetings law. The Deputy Clerk verified that all notices were posted and we are in compliance with open meeting law.
3. Rachel Brickner, Director Oregon Senior Center. Ms. Brickner discussed the services that the Oregon Senior Center offers and the usage of the Senior Center by Rutland Residents. She also gave an update on the construction of the new building.
4. Kerry Marren, Supervisor Dane County District 37, update on Rutland Broadband build out. Ms. Marren gave an update and timeline of the UPNetWI broadband expansion into the Town. She provided a map showing the new areas. She also discussed Solar Farms and the impact on a community. She advised having language in the policy's and procedures for the town.
5. Fireworks permit request by Cornellier Fireworks for private event on July 4th and Labor Day 2026 at the racetrack. Appearance by Cornellier Fireworks to discuss fireworks permit. Motion and second by Williams and Nedveck to approve Cornellier Fireworks request for permits for July 4th and Labor Day 2026 at the racetrack; motion passed 5-0.
6. Patrolman Ace's report. Patrolman Ace discussed tree trimming with the windstorm and blizzard. He gave an update on the shop equipment that was installed. The town is starting the process for road bids and will be getting bids for crack filling.
7. IT Director Nedveck Report. IT Director Nedveck discussed the options for having 2 factor authentication which Town Web will provide. Motion and second by Porter and Williams to accept proposal for full Google Workspace in the amount of \$3,276 per year; motion passed 5-0.
8. Deputy Clerk- report. Deputy Clerk Bartlett discussed the election coming up on April 7, 2026. She also discussed other items the Clerk and Deputy have been training on.
9. Public Comment for items on or off the agenda. Appearance by Mike Stiegl regarding the traffic on Sunrise and Lake Kegonsa Roads.
10. Chairs report. Chair Knutson acknowledged Nancy Nedveck's 10 years of service and that this will be her last meeting.
11. Oregon Fire/EMS District
 - a. Discussion and possible action regarding purchase of a used fire truck for Oregon Fire Department. Chair Knutson discussed the replacement of Fire Engine #2 for the Oregon Fire Department. Oregon Fire Department would like to purchase a used fire engine in the 2027 budget for approx. cost of \$600,000. Motion and second by Knutson and Williams for permission to replace Engine #2 with the town commitment being \$35,000 in the 2027 budget; motion passed 5-0.

- b. Discussion and possible action on submitting an offer to purchase land for Fire Station Project. Chair Knutson discussed the purchase of a piece of land for the Oregon Fire Station project. They are asking for township support to put and offer/downpayment on a piece of land in the 2027 budget with cost of \$200,000 - \$400,000. Motion and second by Williams and Nedveck to approve purchase of land if it occurs; motion passed 5-0.
- 12. Planning Commission Report.
 - 1. Discussion and possible action on DCTA Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Working Group. PC members discussed the proposed change of rezone and Conditional Use Permits for Ag districts. No action taken. Rutland IT Technician Nedveck discussed the DCTA Conditional Use Permit Working Group.
 - 2. Discussion and possible action on PC appointments. Due to employment commitments, PC Chair Jim Huyck would like to step down from the Chair position and be reassigned to the alternate PC member. Knutson will move to the Chair position. Perz one year term will expire this month and would commit to a one-year term as PC member. Knutson will discuss with the Town Board on Weds for approval. Rutland IT Technician Nedveck discussed the PC appointments.
 - 3. Discussion on CE and training reviewing past discussion. Members discussed the ordinances and corrections from February meeting. No action taken.
- 13. Discussion and possible action on reconstruction of Highway 51 and the truck routes from Rutland Dunn Townline Road quarry. Discussion regarding the reconstruction of Highway 51 and possible truck routes from the quarry. Chair Knutson will contact quarry regarding using Rutland Dunn Town Line Road to Hwy 51 for the project.
- 14. Discussion and possible action regarding Truck Traffic complaints on Sunrise and Lake Kegonsa Roads. Discussion regarding Truck Traffic on Sunrise and Lake Kegonsa Roads and possible solutions to keep the amount of trucks on each road to a minimum. Chairman Knutson and Patrolman Ace will be in contact with the pit regarding routes and return traffic routes. Williams will discuss with the DOT about reducing speed limit.
- 15. Discussion and possible action on appointments to Planning Commission. Motion and second by Nedveck and Williams to approved all recommendations by PC committee; motion passed 5-0
- 16. Meetings attended. The Board reported on meetings attended.
- 17. Discussion and possible action on County Board Resolution 2025 RES-403 would prohibit extending the current contract for Flock automated license plate readers (ALPRs). Porter discussed County Board Resolution 2025 RES-403 and Flock cameras. Discussion on advising Dane County to not renew their agreement with Flock and abandon other companies.
- 18. Consent Agenda.
 - a. Approval of March Minutes.
 - b. Approval of Checks and Vouchers – Discussion/Board action.
 - c. Approval of Treasurer’s Report – Discussion/Board action.
 - d. Budget Summary

Motion and second by Knutson and Williams to approve consent agenda as presented; motion carried 5-0.

19. Correspondence.

- a. Discussion and possible action on Open Book letter. Clerk George discussed the Open Book letter and the new procedures with the assessor. Motion and second by Knutson and Nedveck to approve the Open Book letter as written; motion carried 5-0.
- b. WTA Transportation resolution. Discussion on WTA Transportation resolution. Motion and second by Williams and Nedveck to approve WTA Transportation resolution as written; motion carried 5-0.

20. New Business. none

21. Upcoming meeting dates

April 21, 2026 – Annual Town Meeting

May 6, 2026

June 3, 2026

July 8, 2026

22. Adjournment. Motion and second by Knutson and Nedveck; motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Bartlett, Deputy Clerk