

Town of Rutland Board Meeting
July 8, 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 6:31pm. Present in addition to the Chair were Supervisors Sue Williams, Mark Porter, and Jim Dorn. Supervisor Michelle Perz joined via Zoom. Also present in addition to the Board were Clerk Dawn George, Treasurer Kim Sime, Deputy Clerk Amanda Bartlett, and Rutland IT Technician Derek Nedveck. Patrolman Cheser Ace joined via Zoom. 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. Madison International Speedway report. Gregg McKarns presented the monthly report. He noted one new event. Oregon Fire Department would like to train on Tuesday, July 14, 2026 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Motion and second by Knutson and Williams to approve the schedule change; motion passed 5-0.
4. Patrolman Ace's report. Patrolman Ace discussed the 2nd round of mowing, tree cleanup at the cemetery, and roadwork is starting in August.
5. IT Director Nedveck Report. IT Director Nedveck discussed the Town moving to Google Drive and the costs associated with Google versus Dropbox. Porter would like to see a proposal from Town Web with what's included/supplied in their costs. Nedveck will bring these items back to August's board meeting.
6. Deputy Clerk- report. Deputy Clerk Bartlett discussed the upcoming August 11th election, bridge aid, and the capital budget.
7. Public Comment for items on or off the agenda. None.
8. Chairs report. None.
9. Planning Commission Report.
 1. Preliminary inquiry by Jason Marshall regarding creation of homesites on Biglow Road. Seeking to create 2 buildable lots on the corner of Biglow and Old Stage Rd. The 3rd buildable lot will not be addressed at this time. Marshall will proceed with Dane Co Zoning. No action taken.
 2. Preliminary Inquiry by Alex Weber, agent for the Marthinson family regarding creation of home-site(s). Concentrating on the sale of the larger parcel at this time but would like to get some info from the Town on the placement of 4 buildable lots on property along Bass Lake. Rezone the existing farm house from the farmland for the proposed 4 lots. No action taken.
 3. Discussion and possible action regarding updating the language of the CUP procedure document. Cooper added verbiage on the Dark Sky ordinance to the CUP procedure. Knutson motion to recommend the Town Board approve the document as presented. Second by Boerigter. Motion passed 4-0. Board action: Motion and second by Dorn and Williams to approve updating the language of the CUP procedure document; motion passed 5-0.

Knutson allowed 2 residents to speak on a previous agenda item with no discussion from the PC members.

Tracy Eagan and Lisa Thompson voiced their concern of the sale of the Vike property. Their concerns are preserving the farmland and disturbing wooded area and streams.
10. Discussion and possible action regarding the installation of a flagpole or display of the flag at the Town Hall. Robin Stroebel discussed installing a flagpole at the Town Hall. Discussion with the Board regarding price and maintenance. Dorn will gather information on different options and prices and will bring back to August meeting.

11. Discussion and possible action regarding updating the Speed Limit ordinance. Discussion on updating the Speed Limit ordinance. Board agrees the entire ordinance needs to be reviewed, will discuss at August meeting. Motion and second by Perz and Williams to approve updating the Speed Limit ordinance to change Lake Kegonsa Road from STH 138 to Rutland-Dunn Town Line Road and Sunrise Road from STH 138 to Rutland-Dunn Town Line Road from 45 mph to 35 mph and add Sunrise Road from STH 138 to Oak Hill Road, 45 mph; motion passed 5-0.
12. Discussion and possible action regarding term for appointed officials. Discussion regarding term for appointed officials. Motion and second by Williams and Dorn to change term for appointed officials to 3 years retroactive from April 15, 2025; motion passed 5-0.
13. Discussion and possible action regarding what to do with old tables and folding chairs from Old Town Hall. Discussion on old tables, folding chairs, and equipment being stored at Old Town Hall. Motion and second by Dorn and Williams to dispose of all unneeded items; motion passed 5-0.
14. Discussion and possible action on proposed Stoughton Senior Center agreement. Discussion on Stoughton Senior Center agreement. Knutson sent agreement with changes to Senior Center. No action taken.
15. Discussion and possible action regarding a Google Drive account for emails and archiving town records. Discussed under item #5.
16. Meetings attended. The Board reported on meetings attended.
17. Update on Operator's License renewals: Alexis Cina, Savanna Savana Shanklin, Courtney Cox, Abigail Oliver, Lilee Grover, Sherri Barrett, Ryan Wiedenbeck, Pam Parsons, Julie Maier. Motion and second by Williams and Dorn to approve all Operator's License renewals as listed above; motion passed 5-0.
18. Consent Agenda.
 - a. Approval of June Minutes.
 - b. Approval of Checks and Vouchers – Discussion/Board action.
 - c. Approval of Treasurer's Report – Discussion/Board action.
 - d. Budget SummaryMotion and second by Williams and Dorn to approve consent agenda as presented; motion passed 5-0.
19. Correspondence.
 - a. Inquiry from Stone Mother's club regarding the little library and other matters. Nancy Nedveck asked the Board about moving the Little Library from the old Town Hall location to the new Town Hall. Motion and second by Williams and Perz to move little library; motion passed 5-0.
20. New Business. Discussion regarding consolidating the Clerk/Treasury positions. Will be on the agenda in September.
21. Upcoming meeting dates
 - August 5, 2026
 - September 2, 2026
 - October 7, 2026
22. Adjournment. Motion and second by Williams and Knutson; motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Bartlett – Deputy Clerk