

Town of Rutland Board Meeting Minutes
August 5, 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 Sue Williams, Mark Porter, Jim Dorn and Michelle Perz. Also present in addition to the Board were Clerk Dawn George, Deputy Clerk Amanda Bartlett, Rutland It Technician Derek Nedveck and Patrolman Chester Ace. Absent – Treasure Kim Sime. 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 new event. The Vipers Owners Club would like to reschedule from August 1, 2026, which was a rainout, to Saturday, September 26, 2026. Motion and second by Williams and Dorn to approve the schedule change; motion passed 5-0.
4. Patrolman Ace's report. Patrolman Ace discussed finishing summer mowing, paving will start after Labor Day on Hill Road, headstones have been put back in place after a tree fell. Thank you to Ziegler Crane for their help.
5. IT Director Nedveck Report. IT Director Nedveck discussed moving the meeting packets into Google Drive. He discussed the prices for cloud storage. He will email Town Web and ask why their costs are so much more and report back at the next meeting.
6. Deputy Clerk- report. – Town Hall Rental discussion. Deputy Clerk Bartlett discussed the Town Hall rental and the supplies the Town wants to provide. The Deputy Clerk will maintain a cabinet in the meeting room for supplies.
7. Public Comment for items on or off the agenda. None
8. Chairs report. None
9. Planning Commission Report.
 1. Discussion by Tom Lind, Three Gaits, CUP 2026-02720. Three Gaits representatives presented a Power Point with highlights of proposed new buildings and remodel of current land and buildings. Public Hearing will be August 31, 2026 before Planning Commission meeting. No action taken. No Board Action.
 2. Preliminary inquiry by David Nelson regarding potential splits. Looking to clarify eligible splits on 80 acres located at 3856 Hwy 138. The property had 2 houses on it and both are gone; he would like to know if 2 houses can be rebuilt. Nelson also inquired about the possibly of moving one of his TDR to the property located on the corner of Rutland-Dunn and Star School. Clerk and Deputy Clerk will go through records for splits. No action taken. No Board Action.
 3. Inquiry by Dale Richardson regarding land purchase. No action taken. No Board Action.
 4. Preliminary inquiry by Emmy and Clay Brenn regarding parcel #051017120120. Purchased 34 acres on Oak Hill. This will need a TDR. Brenn advised that they will be getting a TDR from David Nelson. Presented plan for house and driveway. Will submit application to Dane County. No action taken. No Board Action.
 5. Public comments. Peter Vandever discussed concerns with water and drainage at Three Gaits. No Board Action

10. Discussion and possible action regarding the installation of a flagpole or display of the flag at the Town Hall. Dorn discussed the different options for a permanent flagpole and the placing by the building. He will get quotes from different companies and bring back to the next meeting.
11. Discussion and possible action regarding updating the Speed Limit ordinance. Discussed the changes to the ordinance for Lake Kegonsa and Sunrise roads. Discussion on the speed limit for Hill Road. Williams will reach out to DOT and see what they have for the correct limit. Will discuss next month.
12. Discussion and possible action on proposed Stoughton Senior Center agreement. No action taken.
13. Discussion and possible action regarding a Google Drive account for emails and archiving town records. Discussed under item #5.
14. Discussion and possible action regarding the Oregon Fire Commission's intent to make a purchase offer on property for the fire station project. This proposal remains contingent upon the formal approval of all four Commission partners if the offer is accepted. No action taken.
15. Meetings attended. The Board reported on meetings attended.
16. Consent Agenda.
 - a. Approval of July Minutes.
 - b. Approval of Checks and Vouchers – Discussion/Board action.
 - c. Approval of Treasurer's Report – Discussion/Board action.
 - d. Budget Summary
Discussion regarding John Deere tractor purchase. Will discuss during budget meeting.
Motion and second by Williams and Perz to approve consent agenda as presented; motion passed 5-0.
17. Correspondence.
 - a. Oregon School District email regarding property tax bill transparency. Discussion on property tax bill transparency.
18. New Business. None
19. Upcoming meeting dates
September 2, 2026
October 7, 2026
October 19, 2026 10:00 am Budget
October 26, 2026 10:00 am Budget
November 4, 2026
20. Adjournment. Motion and second by Williams and Knutson; motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Bartlett – Deputy Clerk