

**TOWN OF ALGOMA
WINNEBAGO COUNTY, WISCONSIN
February 18, 2026**

Chairman Rasmussen called the regular town board meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

The following were present: Supervisors Teresa Van Aacken, Petey Clark, Mike Brooks, and Dan Martin.

The following were also present: Administrator Maggie Mahoney, Public Works Director Jason Loduha, Fire Chief Kevin Sawicki, and Clerk/Treasurer Katherine Reinbold.

The agenda was posted on February 13, 2026.

On a motion by Supervisors Martin/Van Aacken, passed on a voice vote (Brooks abstained), the Board approved the minutes of the Monthly Town Board Meeting dated January 21, 2026, with the correction of changing Brooks to Clark in one spot as Brooks was not at the meeting.

On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Van Aacken, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved the February 2026 disbursements.

Public Forum: Mark Thompson of 3375 Sheppard Dr is speaking as a resident and not as a Town of Algoma Fire Fighter. He is concerned with the Oakwood school project and the lack of planning by the district. The pond is too close to where kids will be. He would like to see the plan flipped from what it currently shows. He thinks there should have been public input and there should be a better partnership between the school and town.

Brittany Bongert of 2029 Crestwood spoke on the traffic study by Oakwood school. Could there be flashers at that intersection of Oakwood and Omro. Could there be an MOU between the school and the town to address the traffic issues to make sure they are addressed. There should be a partnership between the school and town.

Tricia Rathermel, President and CEO of the Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corporation (GOEDC) gave a report on the January 2026 jobs report. Noted the inflation rate looks good and the unemployment rate is at 2.7% in Winnebago County.

Fire Department Chief Sawicki reported that Rescue 21 has been sent to Rennert's for the refurbishment and it should take about 4 months to complete. Four bids came in for the tender. Voting took place in January for fire department positions and the department voted for Kevin Sawicki for chief again.

The Planning Commission met on February 11, 2026. They have items A and B under Business.

The Parks Committee did not meet.

Administrator Mahoney mentioned that the Leonard Point Pond property purchase has been approved and there is a DNR grant the town can apply for. The Department of Transportation (DOT) has officially moved the Leonard Point Road reconstruction to 2028 due to the wildlife review taking longer and the

DOT thinking we didn't have enough time to get in land acquisition. Administrator Mahoney did not have an update for the roundabout at Leonard Point Road and STH 21, but Chairman Rasmussen mentioned that there is a contractor for the roundabout and there will probably be a meeting soon. Administrator Mahoney talked on the Winnebago Comprehensive Plan and how we have probably missed the opportunity to review but the county will send out a survey to the municipalities. Springhetti is working on getting all the conditions met and town staff will be setting up a meeting with everyone to get everything hashed out. Hopefully to have the developer's agreement for the March meeting. 7Brew is opening on March 2. Still waiting for consultant to schedule a status update meeting for the joint fire department study.

Public Works Director (PWD) Loduha is having Winnebago County Highway Department fill potholes. Working with Fahrner to identify what roads need to be done for chip sealing and crack filling. Working on the 2026 Asphalt Resurfacing program. There are main roads that need improvement and if the cost comes in under budget, there are roads that can be added on. Met with The Grounds Guys to review contracts. All mowing contract rates are staying the same, yard waste contract rate is going up from \$75 to \$80 per hour. Working on completing the MS4 permit.

Clerk/Treasurer Reinbold reported that tax collection is complete. All tax payments now go through Winnebago County. February 17 election had 589 voters. It went well. The next election is April 7. We have made an offer to a candidate for office assistant and hopefully will have them starting soon. Hall rentals have been going well. People are using the website and coming into the office to book.

The monthly financial statements were presented. Clerk/Treasurer Reinbold noted that December has been reconciled and there were no changes. January is still in the process of being reconciled. The auditors were in last week and they have no concerns following the completion of their field work.

Administrator Mahoney explained this was previously combined and now needs to be split again since it has two dwellings on it. Meets setbacks per county. On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Martin, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved Certified Survey Map by petitioner Garrett Smith, Martenson and Eisele, Inc, on behalf of Robert Balda to split parcel 002-00130101 into two parcels.

Nate Considine of Bray Architects was in attendance to discuss the Oakwood Elementary School Expansion project. He gave a brief presentation on the certified survey map (CSM) for the project. Also spoke about zoning. Some of the property is zoned agriculture and it needs to be zoned business for school to operate as a permitted use. Sheldon area will stay in agriculture. Nate discussed the traffic study that had been completed. The only issue is the driveway from the school that goes out to Omro Rd. Buses will still drop off on Omro Rd. Chairman Rasmussen had a concern on the number of students and buses. Nate mentioned there is not an expectation to exceed 6 buses. There is a lot of concern of the drivers coming out of the driveway on to Omro Rd that they cannot see when there are buses in the drop-off zone. Nate mentioned the only thing that traffic study said was needed was a dedicated left turn lane coming out of the driveway that goes out to Omro Rd. There was much discussion between the Board and Nate on the traffic study and what can be done to fix the traffic issue. Nate mentioned that there would be a partnership between the school and the town to make sure the traffic issues are dealt with.

When it comes to the CSM for Oakwood Elementary School Expansion Project, the Planning Commission recommends approval. On a motion by Supervisors Martin/Clark, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved the Certified Survey Map by petitioner Nate Considine, Bray Architects, on behalf of James Fochs, Oshkosh Area School District, to combine 8 parcels into 2 lots located at Oakwood Elementary School, 1225 N Oakwood Rd.

When it comes to the rezone for Oakwood Elementary School Expansion Project, Lot 1 meets future land use and is consistent with the town's future land use plan. On a motion by Supervisors Martin/Van Aacken, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved the request by petitioner Nate Considine, Bray Architects, on behalf of James Fochs, Oshkosh Area School District, to rezone a portion (Lot 1) of the Oakwood Elementary School property at 1225 N Oakwood Rd, from A-2 General Agriculture District to B-3 General Business District Contingent on the final recording of the CSM creating Lot 1.

When it comes to the site plan for Oakwood Elementary School Expansion Project, the Fire Chief and the Algoma Sanitary District are still working about hydrant locations, but don't foresee any issues. Town Engineer, Phil Kleman of McMahon & Associates, pointed out that the pond is a bio retention basin and will be sand, not water. Chairman Rasmussen reiterated the traffic situation will be a continued discussion. On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Martin, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved the site plan for Oakwood Elementary School expansion, located at 1225 N Oakwood Rd, as requested by petitioner Nate Considine, Bray Architects, on behalf of James Fochs, Oshkosh Area School District:

- Contingent on approval of the rezone a portion (Lot 1) of the Oakwood Elementary School property at 1225 N Oakwood Rd, from A-2 General Agriculture District to B-3 General Business District; and
- Conditioned on the Stormwater Management Practices Maintenance Agreement between the developer and Winnebago County is signed and recorded; and
- Conditioned on the hydrant locations be approved by the Town of Algoma Fire Department and Algoma Sanitary District.

Town Engineer, Phil Kleman of McMahon & Associates, gave a presentation on WDNR Planning Grant & TMDL Stormwater Analysis. The Town gets to decide on the compliance timeline, there is no official deadline, there just needs to be a plan. There will be a utility feasibility study as well in the future. On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Brooks, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved Alternative 1 for the TMDL Plan of Action.

At 7:58 pm, Chairman Rasmussen called for a 3-minute break.

At 8:01 pm, Chairman Rasmussen called the regular town board meeting back into session.

On a motion by Supervisors Martin/Clark, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved Resolution No. 2026-6, a Resolution Approving Relocation Order and Right-of-Way Plat for the Leonard Point Road Reconstruction Project.

On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Van Aacken, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved Resolution No. 2026-4, Supports Submission of an Urban Non-Point Source & Storm Water (UNPS&SW) Construction Grant Application to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the Leonard Point Pond Project.

On a motion by Supervisors Van Aacken/Clark, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved Resolution No. 2026-5, Ensure Local Match and Program and Project Compliance for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Grant for the Leonard Point Pond Project.

Based on the lowest qualified bid, the award should go to Midwest Fire. Followed the sealed bid process. On a motion by Supervisors Brooks/Martin, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved to award the bid to purchase a 3,000 gallon tender to Midwest Fire in the amount of \$404,898.00. Chief Sawicki thanked the truck committee for their work and this will improve their ISO rating with the pumps it has on it.

Administrator Mahoney explained the Town falls under Winnebago County Zoning and when there is a map amendment, all towns under county zoning must have a say. On a motion by Supervisors Martin/Clark, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved the petition for proposed zoning map amendment affecting the Winnebago County Zoning Ordinance and Office Map of the Town of Winneconne.

On a motion by Supervisors Van Aacken/Brooks, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board approved the petition for proposed zoning map amendment affecting the Winnebago County Zoning Ordinance and Office Map of the Town of Utica.

On a motion by Supervisors Martin/Brooks, passed on a voice vote, the Town Board adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Katherine Reinbold