

Regular Town Board Meeting
Tuesday April 28, 2026
6:30 P.M.
Boulder Junction Community Center, Boulder Lake Room
5392 Park Street, Boulder Junction, WI 54512

MINUTES

1) CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ ROLL CALL

- This Regular Town Board Meeting was noticed according to WI State Statute 19.85. Chairman Dennis Reuss called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Supervisor Laura Bertch, Supervisor Dylan Schutt, Clerk/Treasurer Dan Driscoll, Trevor Greene of The Lakeland Times and 21 guests.

2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA /ORDER OF THE DAY(discussion & possible action),

- MOTION BERTCH/SECOND SCHUTT. To approve agenda. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

3) CITIZENS' OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS & ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

- None.

4) ITEMS NEEDING APPROVAL (discussion & possible action)

- a. Licensing: Approve Operator License for Anne Weber
 - MOTION BERTCH/SECOND SCHUTT. To approve operator license for Anne Weber. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.
- b. Approve Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes of March 24, 2026 and Special Town Board Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2026.
 - MOTION BERTCH/SECOND SCHUTT. To approve Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes of March 24, 2026 and Special Town Board Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2026. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.
- c. Approve April Disbursements
 - MOTION BERTCH/SECOND SCHUTT. To approve April disbursements. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.
 - o April update on 2026 budget
 - Disbursements for April totaled \$213,737.38. Payroll totaled \$39,817.81. Other disbursements: \$22,533.00 to Horton Group for insurance, \$4,843.68 to Pumps Tire for FD, \$39,720.00 to Pointon Communications for FD Radios, \$6,143.83 to North Star Emergency for FD and EMS District, \$7,500.00 to Foley Tree for Transfer site clearing, \$7,342.29 To DNR for FD (50/50 grant), \$69,410.29 to Associated Bank for FD truck payment, \$1,432.00 to LVG, \$1,768.15 to Macqueen Emergency for FD, \$2,000.00 to Municipal Group for property assessment, \$1,352.29 to Republic Services, \$1,268.25 to Vilas County Highway Dept, \$1,533.34 to WE Energies and \$2,969.82 to WPS.

5) REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Update on Landfill Venture Group
 - Supervisor Schutt provided report. LVG engineering plan for approved TS moving forward and payment has been sent to DNR. All equipment is currently operating.
 - At the latest full commission meeting, LVG chairman stepped down and Gary Schmidt was promoted to chair.

- Hwy G is removing recycling dumpsters due to misuse.
 - Meeting coming up with Baird Financial and discussion to keep landfill or build new transfer station.
 - b. Update on Parks Board
 - Supervisor Bertch provided report. A plan to improve Winter Park will be presented to the town board at a future meeting.
 - Park Board will also be doing upkeep work at Nichols Lake.
 - c. Update on EDC
 - Steve Weber provided report. Held a business forum with fishing guides. 20 people were in attendance, including 6 guides and a DNR rep.
 - d. Update on Road Committee
 - Chairman Reuss provided report. Will be scheduling road committee meeting to discuss 2026 town road project ideas. No grant was awarded to the town for 2026 road work.
 - e. Update on BJVFD
 - No update.
 - f. Update on EMS District
 - Chief Joling provided report and his report is attached to the minutes as Exhibit B.
 - g. Update on Library
 - Library Director Frisk provided report. Library had 87 participants for their 3rd earth fair. The reading garden is getting a facelift. Book walk will be installed soon; book is about trees. Jim Anderson will kick off White Deer Triathlon with a presentation.
 - May programs: America @ 250 and our stories with Historical museum.
 - h. Update on Centennial Committee
 - No update
 - i. Update on BJCF
 - Mary Van Grinsven provided report. Her report is attached to the minutes as Exhibit B. Foundation just awarded \$33,000 in grants this past award period.
- 6) OLD BUSINESS(discussion & possible action)
- a. Discussion & Possible action – To approve Dennis Reuss to NWEMS District Board.
 - MOTION BERTCH/SECOND SCHUTT. To approve Dennis Reuss to NWEMS District Board. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.
 - b. Discussion & Possible action – To approve updated by laws for EMS District
 - MOTION REUSS/SECOND BERTCH. To approve updated by laws for EMS District. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.
- 7) NEW BUSINESS(discussion & possible action)
- a. Discussion & Possible action – To approve Bill Spear to Boulder Junction Housing Authority Board.
 - No action.
 - b. Discussion & Possible action – To approve MOU between Town of Boulder Junction and Town of Manitowish Waters regarding MW boat patrol.
 - MOTION REUSS/SECOND BERTCH. To approve MOU between Town of Boulder Junction and Town of Manitowish Waters regarding MW boat patrol. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.
 - c. Discussion & Possible action – To approve Town & Country Engineering design services for Joint ARIP road project with Manitowish Waters.

- MOTION REUSS/SECOND BERTCH. To approve Town & Country Engineering design services for Joint ARIP road project with Manitowish Waters. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

- Project will be Townline Rd and T&C was low bidder for services.

8) ADJOURN(discussion & possible action)

- Chairman Reuss adjourned the meeting at 7:13 pm

Northwoods EMS District

Monthly Report – March 2026

	Date	Time	Town	Unit	Transport	Billing Level	Response
1	3/2/2026	1646	BJ	92	N	Not Billed	Lift-Assist
2	3/3/2026	1833	BJ	92	Y	ALS	Weakness
3	3/8/2026	1134	PI	91	Y	ALS	Difficulty Breathing
4	3/9/2026	914	BJ	92	N	Not Billed	Person Assist
5	3/9/2026	1108	BJ	92	Y	ALS	Altered Mental Status
6	3/9/2026	1432	BJ	92	N	Not Billed	Person Assist
7	3/9/2026	2026	BJ	92	Y	BLS	Eye Injury
8	3/11/2026	1753	MW	91	N	ALS2	Unresponsive
9	3/12/2026	849	BJ	92	Y	BLS	Weakness
10	3/12/2026	1949	MW	92	Y	ALS	Syncope
11	3/13/2026	1142	BJ	92	Y	ALS	Difficulty Breathing
12	3/13/2026	1304	BJ	92	Y	BLS	Seizure
13	3/13/2026	1256	BJ	93	N	Not Billed	Vehicle Accident
14	3/14/2026	859	BJ	92	Y	ALS	Hip Injury
15	3/14/2026	1318	PI	91	Y	ALS	Seizure
16	3/14/2026	1924	BJ	92	N	Not Billed	Vehicle Accident
17	3/15/2026	1029	PI	91	Y	ALS	Weakness
18	3/16/2026	427	MW	91	N	Not Billed	Lift-Assist
19	3/18/2026	653	WIN	91	Y	ALS	Ill
20	3/19/2026	1058	BJ	92	Y	BLS	Fall
21	3/23/2026	834	PI	91	Y	ALS	Altered Mental Status
22	3/23/2026	1337	PI	91	N	Not Billed	Structure Fire
23	3/26/2026	1123	PI	92	Y	BLS	Foot Injury
24	3/28/2026	547	BJ	92	Y	BLS	Abdominal Pain
25	3/31/2026	910	BJ	92	Y	BLS	Dizziness
25	3/31/2026	2336	MW	91	Y	ALS	Weakness

Response and turnout time

Turnout time, from dispatch until responding, was under 90 seconds 80% of the time.

March average turnout time is **1.65** minutes.

Average response time for the month of **March** was **15.23 minutes**. This is from the time of 911 call received to arrival at patient. Response times are obtained through Vilas Dispatch Center.

Transport and Billing

19 of the 26 responses were transported. "Not Billed" responses included those that refused transport following medical evaluation or no patient identified. Of the 16 responses that were transported, ***12 responses benefited from Paramedic Level care*** with ***one*** requiring significant intervention. Paramedic level care is defined as intervention beyond IV placement. **399** loaded miles were recorded.

Billing Rates

	Jan	Feb	March
Not Billed	7	7	7
BLS	9	4	7
ALS	6	4	11
ALS2	1	2	1

Crew / Organization Activities

March brought additional weather-related challenges resulting in delayed response times due to road conditions. NEMSD staff, town road crews, and local fire departments met this challenge and ensured effective emergency service delivery. During an emergency response, one of the ambulances was involved in an accident. No serious injury occurred. NEMSD was able to place a reserve ambulance in-service to ensure continued paramedic level coverage for residents and visitors of the district.

Additionally, the Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) course is entering the final month with a projected graduation of 15 new EMR's available to provide first response in an emergency.

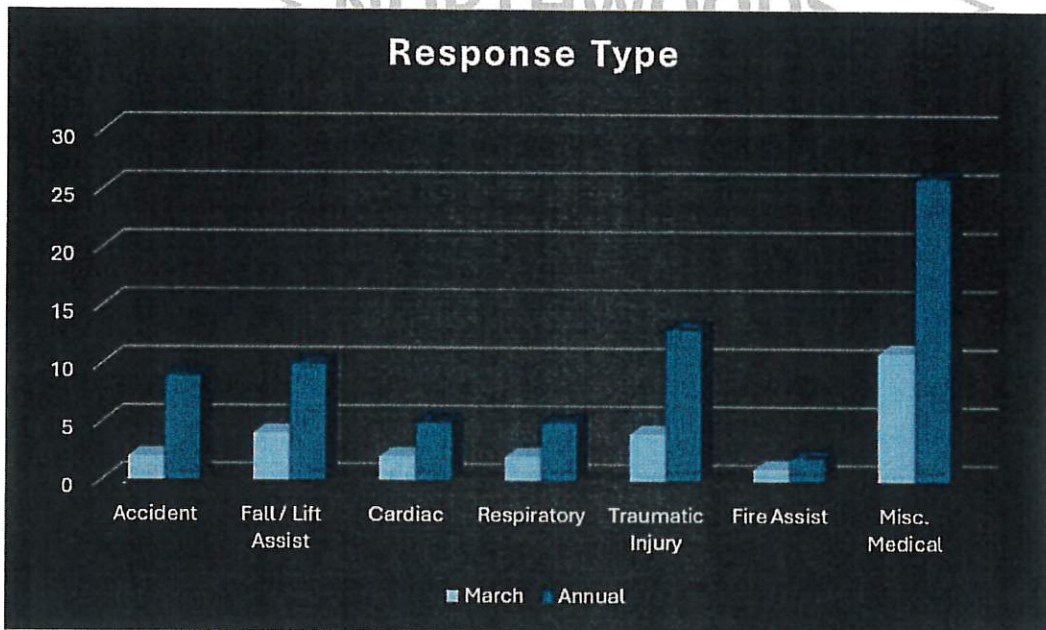
NEMSD crews also completed a combined **111** hours of continuing education.

Response by Town

	Jan	Feb	March
Boulder Junction	11	12	15
Presque Isle	5	1	6
Winchester	3	1	1
Manitowish Waters	4	3	4
Mutual Aid Given	0	0	0

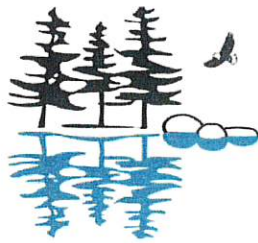
March Events

- NEMSD Board Meeting
- Attended Presque Isle FD Meeting
- Virtually attended state EMS Board Meeting
- Completed NREMT renewals for staff and volunteers



Respectfully Submitted, Jason Joling – Chief Northwoods EMS District





Boulder Junction Community Foundation

Our mission: To preserve and enhance Boulder Junction for present and future generations.

FIDUCIARY REPORTS TO THE TOWN BOARD April 28, 2026

The Boulder Junction Community Foundation is an Affiliate Member of the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin (CFONCW) as of 1/1/2023. *In our merger, we secured the same low rate of 2% on all Fiscal Agreements with the town of Boulder Junction.* All other Fiscal Agreements (with entities other than the town) will be at the normal 5% rate.

NORTH CREEK LOOP TRAIL FUND (NCLT)

Contracts Signed: November 17, 2020 & December 20, 2022

ACTUAL COSTS:	\$1,069,411.60	Pitlik & Wick
	\$73,255.50	Town & Country Engineering
	\$6,519.13	Signage, Survey, Sitework, . . .
	\$1,149,186.23	TOTAL PROJECT COST

\$732,132.48 Foundation funds paid to town

1 OUTSTANDING BILL FOR GRAVEL REPLACEMENT COMING IN 2026.

\$14,813.53 Current balance held by Foundation

BOULDER JUNCTION BASKETBALL COURT FUND (BB)

Contracts Signed: February 13, 2024

\$84,000.00	Projected Project Costs
	(\$81,000 project cost + \$3000 two benches)

\$20,000.00	Town Funds for Project
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\$2,500.00	Park & Recreation Department Funds
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\$47,265.67	Foundation Grant paid to town November 2024
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\$9,020.90	Foundation Grant paid to town October 2025
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\$11,899.08	Foundation Grant paid to town March 2026 - account closed
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\$90,685.65	TOTAL FUNDS
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TALL PINES DISC GOLF COURSE FUND (DGC)

Contract Signed: January 28, 2025

\$44,000 Projected Project Fundraising
(\$26,800 project cost + \$13,200 contingency funds for additional work)
Any residual at end of project will be placed in the Park & Recreation
Maintenance Fund)

\$6,000.00 Town commitment to the project

\$27,044.93 Foundation Grant paid to town October 2025

\$2,722.71 Foundation Grant paid to the town March 2026 - account closed

\$35,767.64 TOTAL FUNDS

Town of Boulder Junction Designated Fund

(Held in the Boulder Junction Community Foundation Family of Funds)

Boulder Junction Parks & Recreation Maintenance Fund

Contract signed. 12/28/24, revised 1/22/25

Fund Purpose: Funds are designated for any parks maintained by the Town of Boulder Junction. This shall include but not be limited to on-going maintenance activities for Boulder Junction Parks and Recreation facilities, funding of staff positions for Parks and Recreation maintenance or programs, or purchase of equipment for use within the Parks and Recreation facilities.

\$8,279.59 Current balance held by the Foundation

Town of Boulder Junction Designated Fund

(Held in the Boulder Junction Community Foundation Family of Funds)

Boulder Junction Bike Trail Maintenance Fund

Contract signed. 6/23/25

Fund Purpose: Funds are designated for any bike trails maintained by the Town of Boulder Junction. This shall include but not be limited to on-going maintenance activities or purchase of equipment for use on the bike trails.

\$15,277.71 GRANT from BOULDER JUNCTION COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 6.23.25

\$26,809.63 Current balance held by the Foundation