

Town of Caledonia Town Board Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2025

In attendance: Bill Abba, Pete Bosquez, Vance Knuth, Natalie Snyder, Kandi Kircher, and 13 residents. Chairperson Abba called the Town Board meeting to order at 6 pm.

Public Forum:

- No Input
- Supervisor Bosquez said he looked further into a Public Forum question from last month about tornado sirens. The town does not have an office staffed 24-hours a day, so a tornado siren isn't an option. Code Red at the Waupaca County website is designed to alert people to emergencies, so sign up for that.

Action Items:

- Motion to approve minutes of the 4/21 Town Board Meeting, 5/1 and 5/7 special town board meetings, 4/23 and 5/7 Park Committee meetings, and 5/13 Board of Review. Motions carried.
- Motion to approve Resolution 2025-05-01, a resolution naming to approve a CSM for Staci Pari. Motion carried.
- Motion to approve Resolution 2025-05-02, a resolution to approve a Conditional Use Permit for Staci Pari. Motion carried.
- Motion to approve the clerk and Park Committee to submit a grant application to Wohlt Grant for Gruetzmacher Park development. Motion carried.
- Motion to approve the Building Permit Report. Motion carried.
- Motion to pay expenses and payroll as presented. Motion carried subject to audit.
- Driveway permits - 1

Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Abba provided updates on:

- Gold Cross had their annual consortium meeting. A 5th ambulance will be added to the consortium, location TBD.
- Fremont Ambulance: There will be a change of management, but no change to service.
- New flags were purchased to be hung along Hwy 96. They're up from before Memorial Day until after Labor Day. The flags should last a few years.
- Parks: Pagel Pier is almost complete: rule sign is up, the park sign is ordered, and picnic tables will be moved there. The park committee is moving forward with the park implementation of Gruetzmacher Park.
- Broadband: Waupaca Online is upgrading the speed of their jumper towers. If the Brightspeed grant is approved, every resident in Caledonia should have high speed internet by the end of 2026. There is a gag order on the grant, so we don't know where in the process it is or what our chances are.
- Waste wood disposal - complete. We will continue to have it ground up moving forwards instead of burning it.
- Public Nuisance update: ordinances are in place so the county can enforce dog nuisance calls.
- Speed limit sign. Currently the town has 2 electronic speed limit signs that move to multiple spots. Residents on additional roads requested signs to slow traffic down. Due to the costs of new signs and battery packs, no additional signs will be purchased at this time.
- Open Book and Board of Review are complete. One resident attended Open Book and 0 residents came to Board of Review.
- Abba talked about Dale Fire Department's capital plan.
- The Town expected the Hwy W rebuild to happen after ANR Pipeline project was completed; however, new information shows that Hwy W may be rebuilt while ANR is in town. The state will be holding a meeting to discuss concerns and timelines. Representatives of the town will attend the meeting.

Clerk/Treasurer Report

- Clerk/Treasurer Snyder reported a cash balance of \$660,488.29 at the end of April. This includes the first half payment of the DNR grant for Gruetzmacher Park but not the proceeds from the sale of the Noffke property.

- The electronic recycling event had 60+ vehicles that generated 16 pallets of electronics. There was no cost to the town or the residents for this event. The town will consider making it an annual event moving forward.

Police, Fire, and Rescue Reports: Presented.

Supervisor II Report: Roads projects are holding for ANR Pipeline. Knuth checks the roads after the recent storm.

Supervisor I Report: Continuing to work with ANR Pipeline. 37 days boring, months in town. The pads for the boring machines are being placed now.

County Supervisor Report - Updated on the Waupaca facilities project.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18pm

Respectfully,

Natalie Snyder, Clerk/Treasurer

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