

Town of Caledonia Town Board Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2025

In attendance: Chairperson Abba, Supervisor Bosquez, Supervisor Knuth, Clerk|Treasurer Snyder, Deputy Clerk|Treasurer Kircher, and 11 residents.

Chairperson Abba called the meeting to order at 6 pm.

Public Forum:

- A resident on Bean City Rd asked about the impacts resulting from an issue a landowner recently had. The incident is being handled by the Waupaca County Sheriff's Department. The Town is aware, but not involved in the resolution. It is unknown whether it will impact the snowmobile trail that crosses that private land.
- A resident on Hwy W is requesting no parking in front of his home to mitigate issues with patrons of The Shop on W. Supervisor Bosquez will take the issue to Waupaca County and look for a resolution.
- A resident brought up concerns about a loud blast last Thursday. The blast was not from a local quarry. It's believed to be a sonic boom from the National Guard training. That is out of the Town's control.
- A person in attendance commended the town board, town staff, and volunteer residents for the work and progress on Gruetzmacher Park.

Action Items:

- Motion to approve minutes of the 9/15 Town Board Meeting and 9/17, 9/25, and 9/25 special town board meeting. Motions carried. Minutes of the 10/7 bid opening meeting is put in the record with no vote since a quorum of board members were not present at the meeting.
- Motion to permit Dale Trailblazers and Northport Snow Riders to use Town property for trails, same as prior years. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion to approve Resolution 2025-10-01 setting the 2026 Curbside Refuse and Recycling Service Rates. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion to approve Resolution 2025-10-02 approving a zoning change for the Angelina Kamba Living Trust so the properties can be combined at a later date. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion to approve submission of Department of Administration Local Government Grant for \$2million for Gruetzmacher Park. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion to approve the selection of Laurie Fischer for the 2026 Readfield Park Lawn Care provider. Motion carried 3-0. Motion to approve the 2026 Lawn Care contract as proposed with Laurie Fisher. Motion carried 3-0.
- Supervisor Bosquez made a motion to approve the application for a loan up to \$2 million with BCPL State Trust Fund Loan Program for the development of Gruetzmacher Park. Chairperson Abba seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Supervisor Bosquez read the preamble and resolutions as provided by BCPL. Supervisor Bosquez moved adoption of the foregoing preamble and resolution. Supervisor Knuth seconded. Vote was taken by role call: Abba yes, Bosquez yes, Knuth yes. Clerk Snyder certified the record of the proceedings, certified that there are 3 voting members of the Town of Caledonia Town Board, and signed in testimony of the proceedings. The original copies of the loan application as completed during the meeting will be returned to BCPL along with the anticipated schedule of disbursements, Town of Caledonia list of existing indebtedness, and current equalized valuation.
- Motion to approve the Building Permit Report. Motion carried.
- Motion to pay expenses and payroll as presented. Motion carried subject to audit.
- Driveway permits - one complete, one without payment.

Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Abba provided updates on:

- Parks: State approved the pavilion design and septic plan. County approved the septic plan and in the process of approving the land use permit. No town building permit is required. WE Energies will be running electrical into the maintenance garage. The pavilion will be hooked up when the electrical work is done in the pavilion. Fox Cities Builder has been selected as the pavilion construction company. The

Gruetzmachers will be paying for the pavilion. The playground bid will go out once we have the timing details for the pavilion. The maintenance garage interior will be completed once power is to the building. Park Rules are being finalized by the rules committee. During the next two weeks, the trails will be finished, the pond dug, sledding hill built, prairie planted, and site prep completed. The Town and Gruetzmachers have agreed to have the town take out a loan for \$1.5 million with the Gruetzmachers paying all fees and payments. We are still on track for a grand opening of September 2026.

- Broadband: The State of Wisconsin submitted the BEAD grant recommendations to the federal government. If the State's recommendation is approved at the federal level with no changes, broadband will cover the entirety of Caledonia, including competition for areas of Caledonia. Brightspeed will have 1 Gbps speeds in the areas not covered by Spectrum. Bertram would overlay cable to provide competition in the areas currently covered by Spectrum. No decision is expected until December.
- The 2026 proposed budget has been prepared and will be presented at the November Electors Meeting and November Town board meeting.
- The Planning Commission requested special projects to set priorities for next year. Chairperson Abba recommended planning for further residential growth in the town, especially as it relates to subdivisions, since current subdivisions are sold out.
- Weiland Road paving is complete. Shouldering should happen next week. The intersection with Ernst Rd has been redone for safety.
- Brehmer speed report from the free standing speed trailer does not indicate a significant speed problem based on Chairperson Abba's review. He will have Bosquez review it.

Clerk/Treasurer Report

- Clerk/Treasurer Snyder reported a cash balance of \$303,866.40 at the end of September.
- There is no November election in Wisconsin.

Police, Fire, and Rescue Reports: Presented.

Supervisor II Report:

Weiland Rd paved, intersection at Ernst improved, shouldering happening soon. DOT paperwork submitted.

Supervisor I Report:

ANR Pipeline wrapping up. Reclamation will be next year. PC getting guidance from town board on focus.

County Supervisor Report - Updated on the Waupaca facilities project.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully,

Natalie Snyder, Clerk/Treasurer

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