

TOWN BOARD MEETING March 10, 2026

The Town Board of the Town of Cooperstown, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin, convened an open session on March 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., at the Town Hall for the purpose of transacting business as the Town Board. Town Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: Chairman Joe Havlovitz, Sup. Nick Propson, Sup. Anthony Shibler, Clerk Susan Kornely, Treasurer Bernadette Duescher and Constable Kelly Kane. Others present: County Supervisor James Falkowski and Jacob Heiser, Denmark News. Six residents were present.

The agenda has been publicly noticed at one posting site and on the town website.

On a motion by Sup. Shibler and seconded by Sup. Propson, moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed.

On a motion by Sup. Propson and seconded by Sup. Shibler, moved to approve the minutes for February 10, 2026 Town Board Meeting as presented. Motion passed.

Reports

Treasurer's Finance Report – presented by the Treasurer.

Road and Equipment Report/Bridge & Culvert Reports – Chairman Havlovitz reported the road roadman were working on patching, brushing and tree trimming, signing, put up weight limit signs, did equipment maintenance. He reported on shot up signs, ditch on Rosecrans Rd torn up, sign was run over on Jirikovic Road, and the replacement order of fire sign for CTH T from accident. Discussion: hauling on roads by concrete trucks and waste haulers while weight limits signs are up.

Industrial Waste Hauling Report – Chairman Havlovitz – no report.

Constable Report – Constable Kane reported taking dog to the pound, taking two dogs to the pound, and citation issued for dogs at large. Guinee pig found on the side of the road.

Plan Commission Report – Clerk Kornely – no report. Add dark sky to agenda for next meeting for Comprehensive Plan. Received approved variance for Tim Stedl from Manitowoc County.

Building Inspector Report - Clerk Kornely reported on Building Permits: Kittell- rebuilding porch and added roof, Chappa- garage addition. Inspections: none. Razing: Chappa- garage addition

Utility Permit Report – Clerk Kornely – no report.

Transfer Station Report – Chairman Havlovitz reported on the current recycler: Redemption Recycling and a new company: COM2 Recycling Solutions LLC- appliances will stay with Redemption and electronics will be picked up by COM2. Most electronics will be free.

Violation Report – no report.

Public comments and suggestions from residents of the town and other person's present.

Lorri Havlovitz discussed the Data Center in Beaver Dam. Town is under County Zoning. County Sup. James Falkowski reported that Manitowoc County is placing a one-year moratorium on Data Centers. The meeting is set for March 30th. He spoke on Data Centers, changes to Manitowoc County Code Chapter 8 and the one-year moratorium. Sup. Propson had a question about splitting an 8-acre parcel into five acres to farm and three acres with the house. Michael Luebke asked about the brush left in the ditches after trimming. Ryan Collins reported there is a basketball and dodge ball at Mishicot High School hosted by local fire departments, Wednesday, March 11th.

Public Hearing

Discussion and action on Road Salt - usage, status and next delivery- Chairman Havlovitz reported current sand/salt mix is working well. No action.

Discussion and action on Salt Contract- Chairman Havlovitz reported contract will be available next week, discussion on quantity for pre-season, during the season and post season. Contract will be due at the end of March.

Discussion and action on Roadman Job description review and posting- Chairman Havlovitz read the proposed application requirements for the position of Lead Roadman. Chairman Havlovitz read Sup. Shibler's version of the Roadman Job description. On a motion by Sup. Propson and seconded by Sup. Shibler, moved to approve the updated Roadman Job description and post in the Denmark news, HTR, website and Marketplace. Motion passed.

Discussion and action on Ordinance Committee- no action.

Discussion and action on AI Data Center & 2025 Assembly Bill 840 follow up – Chairman Havlovitz reported on the changes to the town Code of Ordinances Chapter 2: engage in a non-disclosure agreement, changes to Chapter 5 to include Data Centers. Board discussed additional items: infrastructure, water consumption yearly, fire safety, etc. No action.

Discussion and action on Innovation Grant(Shared Services) – reviewed the information. No action.

Discussion and action on Local Small Structure Improvement Program - Currently, we have no 6-20' culverts that meet the criteria of a four rating or below. No action.

Discussion and action on road review date- Meeting set for April 10th at 2:00 Road Review. No action.

Discussion and action on road listing for bidding- road estimates were reviewed. No action.

Discussion on 2025 Financial Statements – Board had no questions.

Discussion on Manitowoc County Unit Meeting – March 19th- Manitowoc Rapids. Attending: Sup. Shibler, Treasurer Duescher, Constable Collins and Clerk Kornely.

WTA – 2026 Spring Road School – April 27th-29th - Chula Vista Resort – Clerk Kornely will be attending the conference. Chairman Havlovitz asked for someone to attend the Manitowoc County Data Center informational meeting on March 30 at 4:00- Clerk Kornely will be attending.

Ordinances, Resolutions and Agreements

Ordinance 2026-04 Ordinance to Amend Code of Ordinances – On a motion by Sup. Shibler and seconded by Sup. Propson, moved to approve ordinance 2026-04. Roll Call: Havlovitz-yes, Shibler-yes, Propson-yes. Motion passed.

Ordinance 2026-05 Ordinance to Amend Code of Ordinances - On a motion by Sup. Shibler and seconded by Sup. Propson, moved to approve ordinance 2026-05. Roll Call: Havlovitz-yes, Shibler-yes, Propson-yes. Motion passed.

Procedural Motions by members of town board

On a motion by Sup. Shibler and seconded by Sup. Propson, moved to approve all checks as presented. Motion passed.

Correspondence Future agenda: April 14th- Discussion and action on Salt Contract recap, Discussion and action on Roadman Job posting, Discussion and action on Chapter 5 additional Data Center criteria, Discussion and action on Road Review Recap, Discussion and action on bids for 2026 Road Projects, Review applications of 2026-2028 term Plan Commission Member, Discussion and action on Recycling Program fees, Discussion and action on 4 Year Road Plan, Discussion on Annual Meeting meal, Ordinance 2026-06 Ordinance to Amend Code of Ordinances, Resolution 2026-1 Appointment of Town Plan Commission Members

On a motion by Sup. Shibler and seconded by Sup. Propson, moved to adjourn. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Minutes approved April 14, 2026

Susan Kornely, Clerk