

TOWN BOARD MEETING July 14, 2026

The Town Board of the Town of Cooperstown, Manitowoc County Wisconsin, convened an open session on July 14, 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. Anthony Shibler, Sup. Nick Propson, Clerk Susan Kornely, Treasurer Bernadette Duescher and Constable Kelly Kane. Others present: Roadman Paul Nelesen and Jacob Heiser, Denmark News. Nine residents were present.

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

On a motion by Sup. Propson and seconded by Sup. Shibler, 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 June 9, 2026 Town Board Meeting as presented. Motion passed.

On a motion by Sup. Shibler and seconded by Sup. Propson, moved to approve the minutes for June 22, 2026 Board of Review Meeting as presented. Motion passed.

Reports

Treasurer's Finance Report – Treasurer Duescher – Last payment on loan #2.

Road and Equipment Report/Bridge & Culvert Reports – presented by Roadman Nelesen –no culvert report, mowing 1st pass complete, 60% on the 2nd pass. Roadman Nelesen will be doing his CDL driving with Steve Post or Bill Collins. Discussion on mowing schedule with noxious weeds. Chairman received a call on weeds Zander Rd and CTH R. Roadman Nelesen has cut the weeds on the shoulder of Zander Rd and CTH R. County Highway should be taking care of CTH R cutting.

Industrial Waste Hauling Report – no report.

Constable Report – Constable Kane reported guard rail on Zander Rd and Pleasant Rd missing bolts. Roadman Nelesen repaired the guard rail. Will need to find the State Contractor that installed the guard rails. Kornely reported Belgioioso semi on Cooperstown Rd No Truck Road. Need to file with Small Claims on Dog Fine not paid.

Plan Commission Report – Clerk Kornely – no report.

Building Inspector Report - Clerk Kornely reported on Building Permits: Wiltman-outdoor furnace, Puls – relocate electrical, Hansen - Shop. Inspections: none. Razing: none.

Utility Permit Report – Clerk Kornely – no report.

Transfer Station Report – Chairman Havlovitz reported pick up by COM2. This was the second pick up. More televisions have been brought in since the price dropped. Batteries are currently not being collected. Batteries will have a cost of \$4.00 per pound for disposal. Town will have a bin in place soon. DNR is starting up a program.

Violation Report – Chairman Havlovitz reported guardrail damage on Zander Rd and CTH NN - in attentive driving. CTH BB and Scanlan Rd accident between semi and tractor.

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

Mike Luebke requested no spraying on Luebke Rd.

Public Hearing

Discussion and action on 2026 Road Bid- Hidden Valley Road (Rosecrans Rd to Marshek Rd) – LRIP project- full 2” cold mix asphalt overlay with pre-wedging -Chairman Havlovitz reported on the LRIP project for Hidden Valley Road – the Board could not accept the bid from Northeast Asphalt for hot mix since the bid was for cold mix only. Option A: Scott Construction at \$147,968. Option B: repost the LRIP project for hot or cold mix. Discussion on accepting the Scott Construction bid for cold mix and re-submitting the LRIP for another road. On a motion by Sup. Propson and seconded by Sup. Shibler, moved to approve the Scott Construction's bid and move forward with the LRIP project on Hidden Valley Rd. Motion passed.

Discussion and action on Salt Contract – Chairman Havlovitz reported \$95.72 per ton for salt bid for 2026/2027 season. On a motion by Sup. Propson and seconded by Chairman Havlovitz, moved to approve the contract for \$95.72 per ton for salt for 2026/2027 season. Motion passed.

Discussion and action on Ambulance Service Proposal and Agreement – Paul Rabas spoke on the Maribel First Responders, non-paid staff. Through County Rescue- they receive insurance, supplies, licenses and training. In 2025, there were 110 calls/80 calls in the Town of Cooperstown. Currently there are six staff members with Maribel First Responders. There are 4.3 staff members per call. Maribel First Responders are looking for more staff member. No action.

Discussion and action on filling a vacancy – Town Supervisor Nick Propson will be moving out of the town. His last meeting was on 7/14/2026. The board will be accepting letters from interested parties in filling the vacancy for the remainder of the term.

Discussion and action on Chapter 5 additional AI Data Center criteria – fire protection language -Lorri Havlovitz gave a list of items to include in Chapter 5: Requires public hearings and town board approval in industrial zones. Data centers to use a pre-action sprinkler system designed to put out fires quickly and minimize water damage, “These standards include the installation of fire suppression systems, smoke detection systems, and the establishment of evacuation plans to ensure safety. Data centers to subsidize town for emergency and fire support including, but not limited to, personnel, training, and equipment. Board is working on drafting language. No action.

Discussion and action on WisDOT Ag Roads Improvement Program (ARIP) Round 2 – Rosecrans Road from CTH Z to Cooperstown Rd. Class B Road for 30 days – seasonal posting Ordinance 2023-04. On a motion by Chairman Havlovitz and seconded by Sup. Shibler, moved to update 2023-04 to call out Class B Seasonal. Motion passed.

Discussion and action on sale of grader and purchase of grading attachment – Roadman Nelesen did review the road groom pull behind. He would suggest the 11-13’ road groom. The grader still is a viable method of grading roads. Discussion on fixing the leak on the grader. No action.

Discussion and action on rust proofing of plow truck – estimate The Board discussed the estimates and Roadman Nelesen will call and discuss with ProFleetCare. No action.

Discussion and action on estimates on fabrication on Peterbilt box- Roadman Nelesen is working on an estimate with Stock Manufacturing.

Discussion and action on Operator's Licenses- information was not received to take action. No action. Two more requests have been received, and background checks will be completed and presented at the August meeting for approval.

Discussion and action on insurance policy renewal – On a motion by Sup. Propson and seconded by Sup. Shibler moved to approve the insurance policy renewal for 2026/2027. Motion passed. Future review and quotes for 2027/2028 on May agenda 2027.

Discussion and action on updating Election Contingency Plan – On a motion by Sup. Propson and seconded by Chairman Havlovitz, moved to approve the Election Contingency Plan updates. Motion passed.

Discussion and action on 2026 Election Security Subgrant Program MOU- \$2000 Review eligible items. No action.

Set date for August Town Board Meeting due to Election on August 11th- August 12th new date

WTA Fall Workshop- September 17th – Green Bay Susan Kornely. Clerk

WTA Annual Convention – October 4-6th – Stevens Point Susan Kornely, Clerk and Chairman Havlovitz possibly

Ordinances, Resolutions and Agreements

None.

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: August 12th – Discussion and action on Ambulance Service Proposal and Agreement, Discussion and action on filling Town Supervisor vacancy, Discussion and action on Chapter 5 additional AI Data Center criteria, Discussion and action on WisDOT Ag Roads Improvement Program (ARIP) Round 2, Discussion and action on sale of grader and purchase of grading attachment, Discussion and action on rust proofing of plow truck, Discussion and action on estimates on fabrication on Peterbilt box, Discussion and action on Operator's Licenses, WTA Fall Workshop- September 17th, WTA Annual Convention – October 4-6th – Stevens Point, Update Ordinance 2023-04, Election Results

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Minutes approved August 12, 2026

Susan Kornely, Clerk