

**TOWN OF FOND DU LAC
FOND DU LAC COUNTY
TOWN BOARD MONTHLY MEETING
March 9, 2026
6:00 PM**

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing on the rezone of property on the corner of Forest Avenue and Esterbrook Road to RM and approval of a Special Exception for a church and school. Property is owned by Redeemer Lutheran Church, 606 Forest Avenue. Planning Commission approved rezone and special exception at the February 24, 2026 meeting. No public comments made.

A public hearing on the rezone of property at N6650 Rolling Meadows Drive from C-2 to C-3 for a retail business. Property is owned by 542, LLC, 2154 W. Superior Street, Chicago, Illinois. Planning Commission approved rezone at the February 24, 2026 meeting. No public comments made.

Public Hearing was adjourned.

MONTHLY MEETING

The Monthly Meeting was called to order at 6:05pm by Chairman Jeff Montsma. Present were Chairman Montsma, Supervisors Aaron Kuhls, Jessica Allender, David Washkoviak; Clerk Patti Supple, Treasurer Brenda Post, Deputy Clerk Theresa Klapperich, Attorney Matt Parmentier, Constituent Kenia and various Town residents. Supervisor Janezco attended via Zoom Conference. Confirmation was made of Open Meeting notice. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous 2/9 Monthly Meeting was approved as presented.

4. Discussion and action to approve a CSM for Anthony Ahern, N7206 Winnebago Drive, Fond du Lac. Planning Commission recommended approval of CSM at February 24, 2026 meeting. Motion to approve CSM made by Supervisor Allender, seconded by Supervisor Washkoviak. Motion carried 5-0.

5. Rezone of property on the corner of Forest Avenue and Esterbrook Road to RM and approval of a Special Exception for a church and school. Property is owned by Redeemer Lutheran Church, 606 Forest Avenue. Planning Commission recommended approval of rezone and special exception at February 24, 2026 meeting. Motion to approve rezone and special exception made by Supervisor Washkoviak, seconded by Supervisor Allender. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Rezone of property at N6650 Rolling Meadows Drive from C-2 to C-3 for a retail business. Property is owned by 542, LLC, 2154 W. Superior Street, Chicago, Illinois. Planning Commission recommended approval of rezone at February 24, 2026 meeting. Motion made by Chairman Montsma to approve rezone, seconded by Supervisor Allender. Motion carried 5-0.

7. Approval of contract with Humane Society. Contract will allow for both stray dogs and cats. Approval by voice vote. Motion approved 4-1, nay Chairman Montsma.

8. Discussion of improvements to Town parks. Options for playground equipment were discussed and shown. Bid from BCI Burke will be presented at April meeting. Discussion and action at the April Board meeting. Town will be responsible for excavating and ground base. Park Impact Fees were discussed by Atty. Parmentier. Ehlers is the consulting firm for the park impact fee. Ehlers bid was \$8500 to complete the study. Board determined expense for study outweighed benefit. Supervisor Allender will begin an impact fee study for the town working with Treasurer Post and Atty. Parmentier. Park impact fee will be assessed to new construction in the town. Estimated costs at this time are approximately \$530,000 for building, trail, asphalt, septic.

9. Operator's license for JP's 4 Mile House did not arrive. No action taken.

10. Discussion and action on expansion of Esterbrook Estates Addition 1. Amendment to development agreement was finalized by Atty. Parmentier. Approval previously occurred at February 9, 2026 board meeting.

11. Public Works

a. Approve submission of MS-4 stormwater annual report. Motion made by Chairman Montsma to authorize AECOM to submit MS-4 report by 3/31/26 deadline, seconded by Supervisor Washkoviak. Motion carried 5-0.

b/c. Update on DPW and DPW Supervisor's Report. Routine maintenance, cleaning and tree brushing. Harold and Chairman have been checking over the township, looking at road maintenance and crack filling performance from 2025 completed by Thunder Road. Chairman Montsma and Maintenance Supervisor Haney will be inspecting town roads for maintenance. DPW Supervisor Haney thanked the board for the purchase of his new computer which has already made recordkeeping more accessible.

d. Update from Permit Issuer/Inspector. Safebuilt final invoicing has happened. Inspector Hoerth has invoiced town for his work to complete all work Safebuilt had not completed.

12. No number 12 shown on Agenda

13. Public Comments made by resident L. Wunsch regarding speed reduction on Esterbrook Road between Brown Rd and Esterbrook Rd, ordinance enforcement regarding parked cars. Resident asked about park fees for park fund & receiving outside bids for walking path.

14. Chairman/Clerk/Supervisor/Fire Chief Reports.

Supervisor Allender has been working on park impact fee analysis, the comprehensive plan. Supervisor Allender also responded to question on park bid and fees, explaining the from county is only to get an estimate for impact fees. Also list no reports from Supervisor 1,3,4 or names, whatever is easier. Supervisor Kuhls, nothing to report; Supervisor Janezco, nothing to report; Supervisor Washkoviak, nothing to report.

Chairman Montsma will follow-up with sheriff on reduction on Esterbrook Road. Chairman spoke about transition between Clerk and Deputy Clerk. Clerk Supple is planning on transitioning to Deputy Clerk

January 1, 2027. Working on the Vesta Audit. Several changes on Board of Appeals. There will be a training/workshop with Board of Appeals, Board, Planning Commission on April 14, 2026. The latest Water District Audit had some rate analysis issues. Agreement hasn't been looked at since 2014. NFDL is looking at rate changes for all customers, our Town is a customer of NFDL. Rates will potentially be changing this fall. Cross connection inspections will also be happening at commercial level to ensure no cross contamination is happening from Rolling Meadows to Esterbrook on Hwy 23 corridor. There is a Wisconsin DOT Small Structure Grant Application which we will apply for the VanDyne bridge. The town is currently in litigation with DOT on the bridge. Applying for grant will not hinder case.

Chairman Montsma reported for Fire Chief in his absence. Fire Chief is working on bids for garage service doors and openers. Openers will be replaced this year and doors will be replaced in the years ahead. Now is the time to change batteries in your smoke detectors.

Clerk Supple reminds April 7 is election. Supervisor 1 and 3 for the town are up for election. There are 2 different school referendums. In-person absentee voting is March 24, 28, April 2 & 3. Times listed on the website. Supervisor Washkoviak will be taking the Board of Review Class on March 30.

Deputy Clerk Klapperich is taking certification classes to be able to run the election on her own and is training with Clerk Supple to in preparation for January 1, 2027 transition.

15. Board of Appeals and Planning Commission. Charles Martin was asked to accept the position of Chair of the Board of Appeals. Motion was made by Chairman Montsma to approve Charles Martin as Chair of the Board of Appeals, seconded by Supervisor Washkoviak. Motion carried 5-0.

Planning Commission meets March 17, 2026, to discuss Weier CSM, ordinance updates and permit fee schedule. Supervisor Allender will be stepping down from Planning Commission and John Zorn will step in through 2026.

16. Financial Report and payment of bills.

General Account Received: \$174,859.05
General Account Orders: \$81,956.41
General Account Balance: \$508,387.14
Road, Bridge & Culvert: \$320,459.91
Park Account: \$36,176.22
Town Hall 9 Month CD: \$27,626.74 renews 7/15/26
Fire Dept. 9 Month CD: \$17,586.68 renews 7/15/26

Payment of Bills:
Bills: \$136,173.16
Wages: \$15,652.63

Motion made by Chairman Montsma to approve Financial Report and Payment of the Bills. Seconded by Supervisor Allender. Motion carried 5-0.

17. Closed Session: The Town Board intends to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat., § 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the Town who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation in which the Town is or is likely to become involved; and pursuant to Wis. Stat., § 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. During the closed session, the Board intends to discuss pending litigation. By voice vote adjournment. Kuhls, aye; Janezco, aye; Washkoviak, aye; Montsma, aye; Allender, aye. The board convened into Closed Session.

Submitted by Theresa Klapperich, Deputy Clerk