Town of How
Monthly Board Meeting
July 14, 2026
Town of How Community Building – 12896 State Highway 32, Suring, WI 54174

1. Chairman Ken Holmes led the Board and guests in an opening prayer.
2. The July monthly Board meeting was called to order by chairman, K. Holmes, at 6:00 p.m. Present: K. Holmes, D. Hischke, J. Moede, B. Dickson, C. Lally, Vernon Schuettpelz, Todd Kalies, Theresa Rice.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.**
4. **Agenda.** Board reviewed the agenda. Motion to approve the agenda was made by J. Moede and 2nd by D. Hischke. Motion carried 3-0.
5. K. Holmes verified **open meeting notices** were properly posted.
6. **Minutes** of the June 2026 Town Board meeting were reviewed as printed by the Board. A motion was made by D. Hischke and 2nd by J. Moede to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried 3-0.
7. **Financial Condition** report was given by Treasurer C. Lally. The Board reviewed the report and Lally answered the Board's questions. The clerk's report balanced with Peshtigo National Bank. Motion to approve the report was made by J. Moede and 2nd by D. Hischke. Motion carried 3-0. The 2026 budget to date was shared by B. Dickson and reviewed by the Board.
8. **Payment of Bills.** The Board reviewed checks #15458-15480 (no check #15468) and IRS payment 2026-07. Motion to approve the payment of the bills was made by D. Hischke and 2nd by J. Moede. Motion carried 3-0.
9. **Public Input.** Theresa Rice spoke to the Board regarding current speed limits on the roads, specifically on Silver Road, from Red Bank Road to Clay Road. She feels vehicles are speeding past her home and asked that the speed limit be reduced in this section to 45 m.p.h.
10. **Library Report.** The Board reviewed the written report that was provided as part of their meeting packet.
11. **L.U.P.C.** None.
12. **Highway and Roads.** Holmes stated that the Elm Road project will be done after the road project from Cecil to Shawano is complete. The Board reviewed and discussed the quotes received from the Oconto County Highway Department on Bloom Road and Strawberry Lane. A motion was made by D. Hischke and 2nd by J. Moede to accept the Oconto County Highway Department's bid for Bloom Road for $27,325.30. Motion carried 3-0. The Board tabled the Strawberry Lane bid. Vernon Schuettpelz reported that the batteries on the tractor are going dead and will need to be replaced next year. The oil leak on the tractor is getting worse. Discussion took place by the Board about fixing the leak. A motion was made by K. Holmes and 2nd by D. Hischke to take the mower to Risterer and Schnell in Shawano to have the leak

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fixed. Motion carried 3-0. A motion was made by D. Hischke and 2nd by J. Moede to move into closed session the discuss the pay raise request for the ditch mower. Motion carried 3-0. Closed session was called to order by Chairman Ken Holmes, at 6:47 p.m. A motion was made by K. Holmes and 2nd by J. Moede to adjourn the closed session at 7:09 p.m. Motion carried 3-0. Dickson shared information she received from the Wisconsin Towns Association regarding speed limits on town roads. Town road speed limits are 55 m.p.h. unless an ordinance is passed and the Town properly posts notices of speed limit changes. The Board reviewed the information. It was decided that the 25 m.p.h. speed limit signs will not be posted on Grignon Lane due to liability concerns. Dickson was asked to find a sample speed limit ordinance from WTA for the August meeting.

13. **Town Property.** Lakeview Revival has completed painting of the Town garage. Dickson shared a quote from Kallies Electric for the lighting of the flag pole and replacing the dusk to dawn light on the north side of the garage, for a total of $1,050. Discussion took place. A motion was made by D. Hischke and 2nd by J. Moede to accept the quote from Kallies Electric for $1,050. Motion carried 3-0. Hischke informed the Board that he had someone look at the bathrooms. The person stated that the work was out of his scope of work and recommended that the Town contact a plumber to complete the work. Hischke will make this contact and bring someone else in. The new enclosed posting board has been installed outside the main entrance to the Town Hall. The new refrigerator has been purchased and installed in the kitchen of the Town Hall.

14. **Clerk Updates.** Dickson has been communicating with COM2 about setting up a electronics recycling event in the fall for Town of How and Village of Suring residents. The three possible dates are October 3, September 26, and October 10. She is waiting to hear back on the final date.

15. **Other Information.** Oconto County municipal clerks in-person meeting will be held at the Town of How Town Hall on July 22. The partisan primary election will be held on August 11. The Oconto County Clerk's office is selling 2026 plat books. A motion was made by D. Hischke and 2nd by J. Moede to purchase five plat books, one for each Board member. Motion carried 3-0.

16. Next month's meeting date – **Monday, August 10, 2026, at 6 p.m.** This is due to the election on August 11.

17. Motion to adjourn made by J. Moede and 2nd by D. Hischke. Motion carried 3-0.
    Time 7:31 p.m.

Submitted by
Becky Dickson, Town of How Clerk

Note – Vernon Schuettpelz submitted his resignation as Town ditch mower to Ken Holmes, Town Chairman, at the conclusion of the meeting. 7:31 p.m.