Approved
TOWN OF LITTLE RICE BOARD MEETING
September 8, 2026

Meeting called to order at 4:31pm

Present: Steve Margitan – Chairman Ted Albright – Supervisor Larry Mathein – Supervisor
Ruth Wohlers – Treasurer Chris Sully – Clerk

Motion by Sup. Mathein to approve the agenda as posted on September 4, 2026 at 7:05am by John Hendrickson. Second by Sup. Albright. All in favor. Motion carried.
Motion by Sup. Albright to approve the August 18, 2026 at 3pm minutes. Second by Sup. Mathein. All in favor. Motion carried.
Motion by Sup. Mathein to approve the August 18, 2026 at 4:30pm minutes. Second by Sup. Albright. All in favor. Motion carried.
Motion by Sup. Albright to approve the August 25, 2026 at 3pm minutes. Second by Sup. Mathein. All in favor. Motion carried.
Motion by Sup. Albright to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second by Sup. Mathein. All in favor. Motion carried.
Motion by Sup. Mathein to approve the Disbursements as written. Second by Sup. Albright. All in favor. Motion carried.

**PREVIOUS BUSINESS**

1. Roads Update by Sup. Albright:

   John has been working solo for the past two months. The new person started today.
   He has been sweeping and grading roads, mowing ditches, patching potholes, doing sign work and doing equipment repair.

2. Transfer Site Update by Sup. Mathein: There have been some requests to change the transfer site hours. He plans to do a survey to see what the majority prefer.

3. Develop Moratorium and Subdivision Ordinance: Motion by Sup. Mathein to table this item. Second by Sup. Albright. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Felser Road Maintenance:

   a. Approval/Denial of Felser Road survey: The Chairman has spoken to a surveyor. The original road laid out for the town was about ¼ mile. It was put on gas tax. The Chair was told that because it was on gas tax and the town used and maintained the road that may not be enough to rule out someone contesting it as a town road. He wants to have the town attorney review this and make sure the record is clear before making any decisions on doing work on it. The surveyor also suggested putting in more of an arch at the corner, rather than the straight sharp corner.

   b. Approval/Denial of landowner letter maintenance plan: This is on hold until the survey is done.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Set Date to Interview for Town Clerk Position: There are currently no applicants. There will be an ad in the paper soon and it is posted. The clerk asked for permission to put this on the next few agendas so we can act quickly when there are applicants. The board agreed.

2. Approval/Denial of Assessor's Contract: Motion by Sup. Mathein to approve the assessor's contract as presented. Second by Sup. Albright. All in favor. Motion carried.

3. Replacement of Rehab Truck: Per the Fire Chief, the current truck has a very small hole in the oil pan and is very rusty. There are a lot of parts that need to be replaced. The Chief would like permission from the board to purchase a 4 wheel drive, ambulance type vehicle with all the outside cabinetry. He wants a cap of $30,000 for the purchase. We have $57,000 set aside for replacement of that truck. This includes some volunteer funds.

   a. Approval/Denial to Authorize the Fire Chief to Purchase a Rehab Truck:

   Motion by Sup. Albright to approve the purchase of up to $30,000 for a rehab truck. Second by the Chairman. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Update on Nokomis Meeting Regarding the Ambulance Quarters: Sup. Mathein gave a brief overview of the ambulance service operating out of Nokomis. There have been some changes in the ambulance operation over the years, but the Nokomis facility does not comply with some of the current requirements to meet state rules for use of the facility as it is currently operating. There other options that need to be explored for how to resolve this issue.

5. Fire Department by the Fire Chief:

   There have been about 10% more runs this year compared to last year at this time.
   The dept received a nice donation from the Minocqua fire dept for the rehab unit.
   Volunteers are still needed.
   Fall ride is coming up. Watch for motorcycles.

6. Correspondence: Oneida County amended two resolutions. Copies are in the office.

7. Oneida County Board Update: None

8. Public Comment (2 minutes per person):

   Ruth Wohlers reminded residents how shallow Lake Killarney is, so it is not safe for skiing and jet skis.
   Ray Young asked when the town plans to grind and gravel Old 8 Road?
   Ann Young stated she and her husband bought property on Old 8 Road because part of it is paved. She asked how she is supposed to get her classic car home on a gravel road? She presented some research she did on paved versus gravel roads.
   Debbie Martin asked if the town board can protect the road with something like weight limits. She also asked if there is a way to limit subdivisions in the town?
   Mike Martin mentioned ISA Auction for a source for equipment.

11. Adjourn: Sup. Mathein made a motion to adjourn. Second by Sup. Albright. All in favor. Motion carried.
    The meeting adjourned at 5:11pm.

Christine Sully – Clerk September 21, 2026