

Summary of January Town Meeting 2026

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In Attendance:

Al Szymczyk

Mike Hansen

Randy Wagner

Steve Klinkner

Shane Powalisz

Andy Shavlik

Matt DiMarco

Jeri Gilbert

Jeff Blahnik

Kristen Schmidt

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Supervisor Matt DiMarco made a motion to accept the Agenda. Supervisor Cody Thiel seconded the motion.

Approval of December Meeting Minutes

Supervisor Cody Thiel made a motion to accept the December meeting minutes. Supervisor Matt DiMarco seconded the motion.

Financials were reviewed and signed

IT / Town email & archiving

- Archiving is non-negotiable for compliance and grant eligibility.
- Cost estimates varied: earlier claim **\$252/year per user**; discussions showed **\$1,200–\$1,600** initial; Sprinter's latest proposal was **\$850** setup + **\$288/year** ($\approx$ **\$1,100** first year).
- Bundling option exists to combine town website, social media, and emails; pricing is per email and includes archiving and continuous backup via **SharePoint/OneDrive**.
- Security and encryption requirements drive server choice; state-issued emails may alter archiving obligations.
- Next steps: obtain updated quote for **6** accounts, plan vote in **February**, and schedule setup in **February–March**; commitment is billed yearly.

Roads, water & building power

- Grant application is submitted and visible on the applicant account; Greg reviewed and forwarded it; no printable PDF exists so screenshots will be used as a record while awaiting state acceptance.

- Water-main had no city/state updates; contractor reported generator neutral and furnace issues; driveway and address-marker work deferred to **Feb–Mar**; backup generator remains pending; solar is being considered with a **30%** rebate and requires 12 months of electric bills and contractor quotes.

Financials, taxes & QuickBooks Dog licenses & postal logistics

- **Melissa McCulley** (County Treasurer) will attend the next town association meeting.
- Dog tags are non-machinable and require a 'butterfly' stamp costing **\$1.29**; postage expected to rise to **\$1.50** next year.
- Proposed to process dog licenses at meetings (January–March) or at the annual meeting to avoid mail; no processing before **January 1**.
- Unlicensed dogs ≈fine **\$35**; licensing deadline **April 1**.
- Establish town email before purchasing laptops; software/IT costs are rising but funds are available.

Emergency services / county updates

- Dan Hartwig attends meetings, provides county updates, and generates strong turnout and feedback from constables.
- Unit leadership meetings are now open to all board members for increased transparency and participation.
- Plans include partnering with the Dairy Producers of Wisconsin to tour farms and combine unit meetings with farm visits.
- State senators introduced legislation to codify court rulings on municipal extraterritorial authority (three-mile jurisdiction) into Wisconsin state code; municipalities oppose and supporters will contact legislators.
- EMS and ambulance service costs and staffing are escalating; future talks on how to handle this.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM