

Town of Oregon
Town Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 21, 2026

1. Call meeting to order

Town Board Chair Carl Walser called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2026.

2. Roll call

Clerk Hanson called the roll. Present were Carl Walser, Laurie Fitzgerald, Arlan Kay, and Steve Jernegan. Tim LeBrun was excused absence. Also present were Treasurer Stephanie Goth and Clerk Jennifer Hanson.

3. Approval of minutes

Chair Walser approved, by unanimous consent, the Town Board meeting minutes from Tuesday, March 10, 2026.

4. Approval of Financial Report, Loan Update and Payment Vouchers

Chair Walser approved, by unanimous consent, the financial report, loan update, and payment vouchers.

a. Update on Payne & Dolan Invoice of \$ 11,254.17

Kay spoke to Dustin at Payne & Dolan and they are working on getting their paperwork caught up to their agreement. Walser would like to keep on the agenda for next month.

5. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

6. Discussion and possible Action re: Discussion and Possible Action: Land Rezone Petition

#DCPREZ-2026-12256 Parcel #0509-054-9315-0; 5900 County Highway D, Oregon, WI 53575. This request is to rezone 4.88 acres of LC to GC to enable building reconstruction for existing use. Applicant/Owner is Amble Land, LLC 5900 County Highway D., Oregon, WI 53575. (PC Recommendation to approve)

Motion by Kay to approve Land Rezone Petition #DCPREZ-2026-12256 for Parcel #0509-054-9315-0, located at 5900 County Highway D, changing the zoning from LC to GC to allow for the building or removal and replacement of an existing structure, subject to the conditions listed on page 16 of the packet. Second by Fitzgerald. Motion carried 4-0.

7. Appearance by Jesse Straubhaar re: warranty deed for driveway and entrance to Bicentennial Park; Jesse Straubhaar

Clerk Hanson reported that she spoke with Mr. Straubhaar earlier in the afternoon. She informed him that the Town had not yet received a response from the Town Attorney and that the Board portion of the meeting would be brief due to the Annual Meeting scheduled at 6:00 p.m. It was mutually agreed to reschedule the discussion to Monday, May 11, when the Town Board will be meeting to open road bids.

8. Discussion and possible Action re: Resolution 02-2026; Town Board Resolution Supporting a Comprehensive and Sustainable Transportation Funding Solution

Fitzgerald noted that the Wisconsin Towns Association (WTA) presented the resolution at a regional meeting. She explained that the resolution supports WTA's efforts to secure additional funding for road projects in the state budget.

Motion by Fitzgerald to approve and adopt Resolution 02-2026 from the Wisconsin Towns Association, Supporting a Comprehensive and Sustainable Transportation Funding Solution. Second by Kay. Motion carried 4-0.

9. Oregon Area Fire & EMS District

Chair Walser referenced an email from LeBrun regarding OAFED equipment, which was included in the meeting packet.

10. Road & Traffic Safety Committee

a. Update of 5-year Road Plan

Kay reviewed the updated 2026–2031 Road Work Plan and Budget Projections. He noted that the Town has several grant applications pending that may affect project timing. He also stated that coordination with the Town of Montrose will be necessary when bidding Judd Road due to Town Road Improvement Program (TRIP) grant funding requirements.

The complexity of developing the five-year road work plan was discussed, including the need for contingencies and flexibility to accommodate changing conditions and funding opportunities.

b. Review of 2026 Road Bid Paperwork

Kay reported that Engineer Greg Hofmeister is reviewing the Town's 2026 seal coating bid documents and may provide recommendations regarding alternate road designations and standard contract language.

Clerk Hanson stated that if those revisions are received by Thursday, the Town plans to remain on schedule for opening bids on Monday, May 11 at 9:00 a.m.

11. Town of Oregon Refuse Center (TORC)

Fitzgerald reported that the Town of Oregon Recycling Center (TORC) has become busier with the start of brush season. She noted that employees notify staff each time burning occurs. She also reported that the white tin shed will be repurposed for tire storage, using materials remaining from the salt shed project. Additionally, she stated that staff have been utilizing the new office space to get out of the elements.

12. Monthly Building Inspections

There were 12 building permits for March 2026.

13. Business Office

- a. Village of Oregon Liberty Park Annexation, Petition File No. 14833; 5214 County Highway CC, Oregon, WI 53575 – Municipal Bounty Review – DOA Approval Letter March 16, 2026

Clerk Hanson reported on the annexation of a property by the Village of Oregon located off County Highway CC, adjacent to Mulligan's and the Methodist church, where a residence had previously been removed.

14. Board Communication

There were no board communications. A brief discussion followed regarding the types of topics that may be addressed under this agenda item in the future.

15. Future Agenda Items: Committee Assignments

Chair Walser stated that he will distribute committee assignments prior to the May Town Board meeting. He discussed the possibility of dividing the responsibilities of the Road & Traffic Safety Committee into smaller committees or subcommittees, as well as creating four subcommittees based on the Vision Survey results to address identified "quick wins."

16. Meetings Scheduled:

Tuesday, March 17 Plan Commission Meeting 6:30pm
Thursday, March 19 Road & Traffic Safety Committee Meeting 9:00am
Wednesday, March 25 Park Committee Meeting 6pm
Tuesday, April 7 Spring Election 7am-8pm
Tuesday, April 14 Town Board Meeting 6pm
Tuesday, April 21 Annual Meeting 6pm
Tuesday, April 28 Plan Commission Meeting 6:30pm
Wednesday, April 29 Park Committee Meeting 6pm
Tuesday, May 5 Business Office Closed
Tuesday, May 12 Meeting to Adjourn Board of Review 6pm
Tuesday, May 12 Town Board Meeting 6pm
Tuesday, May 19 Plan Commission Meeting 6:30pm
Wednesday, May 27 Park Committee Meeting 6pm
Tuesday, June 9 Town Board Meeting 6pm
Tuesday, June 16 Plan Commission Meeting 6:30pm
Wednesday, June 24 Park Committee Meeting 6pm
Monday, July 6 2pm-4pm Open Book via phone ONLY – appointments accurateaccessor.com
Tuesday, July 14, Town Board Meeting 6pm
Tuesday, July 21 Plan Commission Meeting 6:30pm
Thursday, July 23 Board of Review 12pm-2pm
Wednesday, July 29 Park Committee Meeting 6pm

Wednesday, July 29 Joint Meeting of OAFED 6:30pm-Village of Oregon Community Room

17. Adjournment

Chair Walser approved, by unanimous consent, the adjournment of the Town Board meeting on April 21, 2026, at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Hanson, Clerk