

**TOWN BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 8TH, 2026 6:00pm
AT THE TOWN HALL, E6132 HWY 54, NEW LONDON**

MINUTES

This meeting agenda has been posted at the Town Hall, E5406 NShore Rd, N4715 Hwy 22-110 posting places

1. Call meeting to order by Bruce Long, Chairman at 6:00pm.
2. OPENING STATEMENT BY CHAIRMAN: This meeting and all other meetings of the Town Board are open to the public. Proper notice has been properly posted in accordance with WI Statutes so the townspeople aware of the time, place and agenda of this meeting.
3. Roll Call: Bruce Long, Bryan Strobusch, Chris Ebert, Julie Motiff, Judy Doud. Visitors: Patricia Craig, Dan Boerst, Ruth Boerst, Steven Motiff. Gayle Haag, Bob Haag
4. Visitor Input: Patricia Craig questioned vehicles from Intren, business next to Town Hall, parking on the Townships' side of parking lot. Long has had contact with owners on this issue, may need to recontact.
5. CLERKS REPORT: Motion to approve minutes by Ebert after following corrections noted: 7c- Correct spelling-Deb Buchholz, 7e-should read Wisconsin Town Association, 10. Change -Hidden Treasures. Second by Strobusch. Carried 3-0.
6. TREASUERS REPORT: Trial Balance of accounts. Motion to approve the treasurer and clerk reconciled to the bank statements by Long, second by Strobusch. Carried 3-0.
7. BUSINESS
 - a. Approval of Liquor License for Hidden Treasures; All documents are provided from Dan and Ruth Boerst, Owners of Hidden Treasures Barn, LLC for liquor license approval. A motion by Strobusch to approve liquor license for Hidden Treasures Barn, second by Long. Carried 3-0.
 - b. Niemuth property concerns w/Ryan Brown, Waupaca Co Zoning Administrator: Ryan Brown (715) 258-6255, answers questions/concerns regarding Niemuth property. Township receives complaints on why clean-up of property not being done. Mr. Brown relates there are costs involved, making this very difficult situation. Zoning exploring options at this time. Steve Motiff expresses concern regarding rats on property which would cause health issues. This would need to be explored through Health Dept. A small claims action could be filed by Township, but amount is capped at \$10000.00. This will be an ongoing issue for the Township to find solutions.
 - c. Update of ATV Ordinance: Gail Haag from the New London ATV/UTV club relates she has been in contact with Dept of Transportation concerning our ATV/UTV Ordinance. At this time, the ordinance is being updated to meet legal standards for the change of allowing these vehicles to go a short distance on Hwy 54 to access Royalton gas station, and post signs to alert drivers. A word document with correct dialog, will be sent to Doud to correct for next meeting. Ordinance will be reviewed/approved at February 12, 2026 town meeting.
 - d. Approval of burial plot purchase at Baldwin Mills Cemetery: Payment for a burial plot on behalf of Andrew Strobusch has been submitted. A motion by Ebert to approve purchase of plot, with a second by Long. Carried. 3-0.
 - e. Approval of Operator Licenses: Tabled until Feb 12, 2026 meeting.
 - f. Approve Bryan Stelzner for Town of Royalton Plan Commission Board: Bryan Stelzner has agreed to be a member of the Town of Royalton Plan Commission Board to complete term of Ben Beshaw which ends April 27, 2027. A motion by Ebert to approve Bryan Stelzner to the Royalton Plan Commission Board, with a second by Strobusch. Carried 3-0.
 - g. Dropbox for Townhall; Julie Motiff, Treasurer requests exploring options to place a drop box at the Town Hall for townspeople to drop off their tax payments. Tax payments become an issue when approaching the December 31 deadline for submission. Mailing at post office on that day has to be date stamped inside post office to assure that date is requested date. JMotiff relates she would check daily. Due to issues With our insurance company, payments should not be dropped off at her residence. The courthouse has a

metal locked drop box on the outside of building for payments. Options will be explored, and reviewed at February 12, 2026 town meeting.

- h. Fire and Ambulance Report: Strobusch attends Manawa Fire/Ambulance meeting. Staffing issues continue. Our recent fund set up for North Fire District (\$35000.00) will be retained to pay future funding issues. Staff relates they are running out of space for Fire/Ambulance. This issue will continue to be explored. Ebert attends Christmas Party for Weyauwega Fire Dept staff. -no other Weyauwega Fire Dept meetings.
 - i. Meetings Attended: none at this time.
 - j. Correspondence: Sheriffs Dept Incident report, Christmas card from Faulks, Wood Cutting reports for: Scott Spiegelberg_prc#16 09 23, 16 09 21 1, 16 09 22 8; Teresa Bork-prc# 16 26 22/16 26 23; Patrick Rutten-parc#16 11 34 2; Amy & Todd Johnson-prc# 16 03 44 1. On Call list for Waupaca Co Hwy Dept-Jan 9th to March 9th 2026.
- 8. LAND USE PERMIT: None at this time.
 - 9. AUDIT OF BILLS: Motion to approve paying the bills by Strobusch, with second from Ebert. Carried 3-0.
 - 10. SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING: Road Reports, Fire and Ambulance reports, ATV/UTV Ordinance
 - 11. SET DATE & TIME FOR NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING: Thursday, February 12th, 2026 at the Town Hall at 6:00pm
 - 12. SIGN TOWN & CEMETERY CHECKS
 - 13. MOTION TO ADJOURN: A motion to adjourn at 7:50pm by Long, with a second by Ebert. Carried 3-0.

The Town Board Requests persons requiring assistance to enable attendance and participation to Provide 24-hour notice. Persons wishing to be on agenda should notify clerk ten days before meeting.