



Town Board Meeting Minutes November 11, 2025

1. Call To Order: A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Scott was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, November 11, 2025 in the Town Hall by Town Chairman Mike Van Lanen.

Present were Supervisors Gene Wojcik, Cari Langenberg, Norman Strebel, and Kurt Baenen and Chair Mike Van Lanen.

Also present were: Clerk/Treasurer Jaime Fuge, Economic Development Coordinator/Planner Dave Cerny, Town Engineer Scott Brosteau, SMU President Al Herrman Excused: Constable Brett Blaney.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Van Lanen requested a moment of silence to honor the memory of Gerard Hruska, a long-standing Town resident and dedicated member of the Plan Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Joint Plan Commission, who passed away on Friday, November 6, 2025.

3. Verification of Public Notice: The Affidavit of Posting indicated that the public notice of the Town Board Meeting was posted on Friday, November 7, 2025, at Town of Scott Town Hall, 2621 Jody Drive, & on the Town of Scott website at www.townofscott.com. An amended agenda was posted on Monday, November 10, 2025 at 12:54 p.m.

Moved by Langenberg, seconded by Wojcik to accept and file the Affidavit of Posting.

Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

4. Approval of the Agenda.

Moved by Strebel, seconded by Baenen to approve the agenda. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

5. Approval of the minutes from the October 14, 2025 Town Board Meeting.

Moved by Wojcik, seconded by Baenen to approve the October 14, 2025 Town Board minutes as presented.

Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

6. Approval of the minutes from the October 21, 2025 Town Board Special Budget Meeting.

Moved by Baenen, seconded by Strebel to approve the **October 21, 2025 Town Board Special Budget Meeting** minutes as presented. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

7. Approval of the minutes from the October 21, 2025 Town Board Budget Public Hearing.

Moved by Strebel, seconded by Wojcik to approve the **October 21, 2025 Town Board Budget Public Hearing** minutes as presented. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

8. Approval of the minutes from the October 21, 2025 Special Town Meeting of the Electors.

Moved by Wojcik, seconded by Langenberg to approve the **October 21, 2025 Special Town Meeting of Electors** minutes as presented. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

9. Approval of Town Board.

No action on this item. Scrivener's error.

10. Acceptance of Prior Town Meeting Minutes.

A. Scott Municipal Utility (SMU): October 13, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Moved by Baenen, seconded by Wojcik, to accept the October 13, 2025 SMU Meeting minutes as presented. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

B. Plan Commission: October 16, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Moved by Langenberg, seconded by Baenen, to accept the October 16, 2025, Plan Commission Meeting minutes as presented. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

11. Public Comment:

Moved by Van Lanen, seconded by Wojcik to suspend the rules of order and open up the floor for comment. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

Jean Lannoye, Gene Lannoye, and Karl Gerber filled out the public comment form, however, did not speak as they spoke on items discussed during the public hearing.

Denise Gaumer-Hutchison, 3184 Herrmans Rd. spoke at the meeting to request that the Board consider adding a line in the notes section of the tax bill indicating the portion of taxes paid to Green Bay Area Public Schools that is allocated to private schools. Gaumer-Hutchison said she chairs a committee called Champions for the Green Bay Area Public School District, which provides support to the district. She said when speaking to community members, people are not aware where their tax dollars are going and requested transparency about the cost of private school vouchers. This year, the voucher amount allocated to the Town of Scott is \$640,242.36 (the total amount of vouchers levied this year is \$14,097,036).

She emphasized that the request is not about parents' choice of schools, but about informing taxpayers. She stated that the decision to add this on the tax bill would be up to the municipality and would require a resolution and approval from the Department of Revenue. In April, the City of Green Bay City Council voted to add the language to the tax bill. Additionally, the Town of Washburn, Eau Claire and Superior has added it to their tax bill. Gaumer-Hutchison said she would share the language the City of Green Bay placed on their tax bill, which was approved by the Department of Revenue, and the resolutions from the municipalities. She said that after speaking with Clerk/Treasurer Fuge, that it would be too late to add to the tax bill this year, but would like to start the process for next year. She said this information is helpful for when people choose to vote yes or no on referendums as there is a misconception of where their tax dollars are going.

Langenberg asked Gaumer-Hutchison about the \$14,097,036 that are going to private schools. Gaumer-Hutchison said in addition to the levy amount, the Green Bay Area Public Schools pay for special education services and public transportation to private schools.

Strebel asked about where the funds go for students going to another district, like Luxemburg. Gaumer-Hutchison said there is an inter-school district transfer. She noted that the number of kids leaving the Green Bay Area Public School District is less than what is being conveyed. Additionally, she offered to reach out to a representative with Green Bay Area Public Schools that could provide an informational session, if the Board would find that helpful.

Lynn Gerlach, Green Bay Area Public School Board Member, spoke to the board and provided her professional address of 200 S. Broadway and personal address. She supported what Denise Gaumer-Hutchison said. She noted that the Green Bay Area Public School District has the biggest budget and is the largest employer in the Green Bay area. She said the biggest chunk of the tax bill goes to the Green Bay Area Public Schools, but she wants tax payers to understand that of the money that comes in, approximately \$14,000,000 comes out due to private schools. She provided her educational and professional background, which included attending and working for private schools. She said in April, the School Board requested the City of Green Bay place language on their tax bill regarding the amount that goes to private schools and they approved to do so for this upcoming tax bill. The School Board is now asking the Town of Scott do the same. She noted GBAPS is facing a 3.6-million-dollar deficit this year. She wants taxpayers to know the truth of where their tax money is going.

Langenberg asked how long Gerlach has been on the School Board. Gerlach said 2.5 years.

Anita Zipperer, 4293 Nicolet Drive, said she was in support of Gaumer-Hutchison's request. She said the transparency issue is huge. She said adding the language on the tax bill will allow residents to inquire more about where the money is actually going because currently it doesn't look like where it is actually going.

Patrick O'Hearn, 4293 Nicolet Drive, said he was in support of Gaumier-Hutchison's request. He said the transparency is important. He asked the board to consider placing it on the tax bill.

Mary Jo Dean, 4125 Nicolet Drive, did not speak at the meeting, but was in support of Gaumier-Hutchison's request.

Van Lanen said that the Town would have to draft a resolution, and then it could go on an upcoming agenda.

Moved by Van Lanen, seconded by Langenberg to return to regular session. Vote: Aye-5 No-0. Motion Carried.

12. Specific matters for discussion and possible action by the Town Board:

A. A request to rezone 4 acres from A-1 Agriculture to B-2 General Business at 5070 Bowers Road, Parcel SC-581. Mike Basten applicant.

Cerny said he had not received any objections regarding this request prior to the meeting. Cerny received an e-mail from a nearby property owner (SC-578), who is in support of the rezoning. It read: "Thank you for taking my call regarding the property that is located across from our property on Bowers Rd in the Town of Scott. I would like to support the decision to allow the change in zoning and see no issues with the projected use of a shop space. I hope that is opportunity is passed and allowed to move forward. Should you have any question please feel free to contact me as I will not able to attend in person the meeting that is scheduled."

There were no residents that spoke for or against the request during the public hearing that was held prior to the meeting.

Moved by Strebel, seconded by Langenberg to approve a request to rezone 4 acres from A-1 Agriculture to B-2 General Business at 5070 Bowers Road, Parcel SC-581. Mike Basten applicant. Vote: Aye-5, No-0. Motion Carried.

B. A request for a Conditional Use for a new Cell Tower on Parcel SC-591-5, located at the end of Bowers Road. Mike Basten Sr./Tillman Infrastructure/Verizon Wireless applicants.

Cerny stated that he received no comments in support of or in opposition to the request. Additionally, there were no resident that spoke for or against the request during the public hearing that was held prior to the Town Board Meeting.

Moved by Langenberg, seconded by Wojcik to approve a request for a Conditional Use for a new Cell Tower on Parcel SC-591-5, located at the end of Bowers Road. Mike Basten Sr./Tillman Infrastructure/Verizon Wireless applicants. Vote: Aye-5, No-0. Motion Carried.

C. A request for a Conditional Use for a 2-family dwelling status for 4138 Fischer Road (Parcel #SC-313) Robert Wurm, applicant.

Strebel asked for clarification on whether approving this request would also imply approval of similar future requests. Van Lanen added the Town has people living in garages, which is against ordinance.

Wojcik asked Wurm who the tenant would be. Wurm said it would be one person. Wojcik asked if there are horses in the barn. Wurm said 5 horses. Wurm owns one horse, and the other four are owned by another person.

Wojcik said there needs to be some firewall protection when there are living quarters next to a barn.

Wojcik asked how long Wurm owned the property. Wurm said 6 years.

Wojcik asked Strebel if this was previously a milking barn. Strebel said maybe.

Wojcik asked if this was the original barn owned by the original owner. Wurm said the barn was building in 1958 due to a tornado in 1957.

Langenberg reiterated the points she made during the public hearing. She expressed concern about setting a precedent for future requests, but thinks this situation is different as the living quarters have existed for a long time. She thought this space should be considered grandfathered in.

Van Lanen stated there is no written documentation on file of when it was made into a living quarter.

Cerny said when he inspected previously, the space was finished. This was when Wurm previously requested the space be used a space able to cater meals.

Wojcik said he was concerned about setting a precedent. He doesn't want every resident to fix up their garage and turn it in to a living quarter.

Strebel had reservations on voting yes or no.

Van Lanen said the approval or denial of the request would need to be voted on at tonight's meeting.

Baenen said he would vote no against.

Strebel asked if Wurm could reapply at a later date.

Langenberg stated this situation is different because the space was grandfathered in. She questioned the quality of records from 1962, noting that the space was once used as living quarters but has not been used as such in recent decades. She emphasized that this differs from spaces that were never established as living quarters.

Moved by Langenberg, seconded by Van Lanen to approve a request for a Conditional Use for a 2-family dwelling status for 4138 Fischer Road (Parcel #SC-313) Robert Wurm, applicant. All in favor-1, Nay-4. Motion failed.

The request was denied.

D. Class "B" Beer & Reserve "Class B" Liquor license application for Rockyz 2, LLC at 3851 Algoma Rd Suite 1, New Franken WI, 54229 (Agent, Brenda Perez)

Rockyz2, LLC at 3851 Suite 1, New Franken, WI 54229 applied for a liquor license on October 24, 2025. It was published in the Green Bay Press Gazette on October 29, 30, 31.

Fuge said background checks were performed and there was nothing found in the background checks that substantially related to the licensed activity. Fuge noted the applicants have an establishment in the City of Green Bay. She recommended approval of the license, pending the approval of an inspection.

Moved by Wojcik, seconded by Langenberg to approve a Class "B" Beer & Reserve "Class B" Liquor license application for Rockyz 2, LLC at 3851 Algoma Rd Suite 1, New Franken WI, 54229 (Agent, Brenda Perez), pending the approval of the proper authorities. Vote: Aye-5, No-0. Motion Carried.

E. Temporary Alcohol Beverage Application for Holy Cross Parish at 3009 Bay Settlement Rd on December 13, 2025 for Christmas with the Knights Pre-Performance Reception.

Fuge said Holy Cross Parish at 3009 Bay Settlement Rd applied for a temporary alcohol beverage application for an event December 13, 2025. The Clerk recommended approval of the license. Herrman provided details about the event.

Moved by Langenberg, seconded by Strebel to approve a Temporary Alcohol Beverage Application for Holy Cross Parish at 3009 Bay Settlement Rd on December 13, 2025 for Christmas with the Knights Pre-Performance Reception. Vote: Aye-5, No-0. Motion Carried.

F. Operator License Application

Flor Bustamante applied for an operator's license. Fuge said a background check was completed and there was nothing found in the background check that substantially related to the licensed activity. Bustamante also took the beverage server course within the last two years. The Clerk recommended approval of the license.

Moved by Baenen, seconded by Wojcik to approve an operator license for Flor Bustamante. Vote: Aye-5, No-0. Motion Carried.

13. Informational Only: Reports from the Clerk, Engineer, Economic Development Coordinator, SMU and Fire Department.

A. Clerk/Treasurer: Fuge said that the tax roll information needs to go to the County on November 17. To date, we have 159 outstanding. She asked for a motion to direct staff to place on the tax roll.

Moved by Strebel, seconded by Langenberg to direct staff to place the items on the tax roll.

Vote: Aye-5, No-0. Motion Carried.

She said the WTA Convention in 2026 will take place in Stevens Point. She requested that the Board let her know right away if they would like to attend. The 2026 WTA Annual Convention will be held at the Stevens Point Holiday Inn & Convention Center, October 4-6, 2026. The Holiday Inn will not be accepting reservations until January 15, 2026. Langenberg and Van Lanen said they would like to attend. Van Lanen noted the rooms fill up fast and the parking spaces are very limited.

Additionally, Fuge said The Chamber of Commerce article is set to run in November regarding Small Business Saturday and that she met with Horton Insurance to get a price quote.

Lastly, Fuge and Vanden Langenberg attended a Brown County Clerk Training earlier in the day regarding the new DS 300s and have a meeting on November 12 regarding updates to Badger Books.

B. Town Engineer Scott Brosteau: Brosteau said Edmund Road construction is completed. He will submit for the reimbursement of the grant. He noted that a grant application for LRIP is due next month, which will assist with funding maintenance on Sandpiper Way. Due next month, is the next round of applications for LRIP for \$15,000 to do Sandpiper. Van Lanen asked if Brosteau thinks we need shouldering on Edmund Road. Brosteau said there are some concerning areas.

C. Economic Development Coordinator/Planner Dave Cerny: Cerny said he is planning a meeting December 3 for the Plan Commission and an informational meeting regarding the flood study. The Plan Commission meeting will be a brief introductory meeting regarding the Comprehensive Plan. Immediately following the meeting, the Town would like their first presentation on the flood study. It will be a way for people to see the data. It is tentatively scheduled for 5 p.m. and stressed that this is an open forum meeting and not a public hearing. To adhere to grant requirements, there will be more forums scheduled at a later date.

D. SMU: Brosteau said Bay Settlement Pond will be done by Thanksgiving. Herrman asked Fuge about receiving a quote from Community Insurance.

E. Fire Department: Wojcik said they were recently trained on the Jaws of Life. Also, fire inspections are taking place in the Town of Scott.

11. Reports from Town Officers/Committees/Commissions:

A. Chairman Mike Van Lanen: Van Lanen stressed the importance of letting Fuge know about any interest in attending the WTA Convention in 2026. He said that the Stevens Point location fills up almost immediately and there are parking challenges if you stay at a different hotel. Langenberg said she would go. Van Lanen said he would go. Van Lanen said there was a recent news article on Fox 11 in the Town of Scott regarding a residence on Agamaite Rd.

B. Supervisor Cari Langenberg: Langenberg recognized the passing of Gerard Hruska and his service as an appointee to the Planning Commission, Joint Plan Commission and Zoning Board of

Appeals. She asked about next steps regarding appointing. Van Lanen said if anyone is interested or knows anyone who is interested to have them send a resume to him. Langenberg also discussed the additional costs needed for the New Franken Fire Department's fire truck. Langenberg, who also serves on the Friends of New Franken Fire Department, Inc., shared her opinion that the Friends of New Franken Department is not in support of paying for capital improvements and that her stance would be shared at the upcoming Fire Department meeting November 18. She also recognized several firefighters where in attendance at the last Friends of New Franken Fire Department meeting, which she was grateful for.

C. Supervisor Kurt Baenen: Had nothing to add.

D. Supervisor Gene Wojcik: Wojcik said the Brown County Plan Commission board was cancelled in November. He requested a status update on the 2025 road projects, which Cerny provided. He also requested that Placid Way be swept before it snows to prevent complaints during winter. Cerny said Scott Construction plans to do it.

E. Supervisor Norman Strebel: Strebel asked about snow fencing this winter. He thought it to be beneficial on Church Rd., Champeau, Short K, and St. Killian's. He also requested on behalf of the Fire Department to remind residents to have their street numbers illuminated. He requested it be added as an announcement on the website or in an upcoming newsletter.

15. Treasurer/Clerk Financial Reports: Financial reports were handed out for the month of October (as well as e-mailed to the Board the Thursday prior to the meeting).

Moved by Strebel, seconded by Baenen to approve the financial reports. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

16. Discussion and Action on specific Town Board Notice and Agenda for next meetings:

Parks Committee: TBD

Plan Commission: December 3

Informational Meeting/Flood Study: December 3 **Fire Commission:** November 18 (6 p.m.)

SMU: December 8 **Town Board:** December 9 **Town Hall Closed:** November 27-28

17. Adjournment

Moved by Wojcik, seconded by Baenen to adjourn. Vote: Aye-5 No-0. Carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Jaime Fuge

Jaime M. Fuge, Clerk/Treasurer, Town of Scott