



Town Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 8, 2026 5:30 p.m.

Town of Scott Town Hall - 2621 Jody Dr., New Franken, WI 54229

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, September 8, 2026, in the Town Hall by Town Chairperson Mike Van Lanen. **Present** were Chairman Mike Van Lanen, Supervisors Gene Wojcik, Norman Strebel, Kurt Baenen, and Debbie VandenLangenberg

Also present were: Plan Commission Chair Cari Langenberg, Clerk/Treasurer Jaime Fuge, Administrator Dave Cerny, SMU President Al Herrman, Town Engineer Brock Behnke, Plan Commission Member Cindy Ducat. **Excused:** Constable Brett Blaney

2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3.Verification of Public Notice: The Affidavit of Posting indicated that the public notice of the Town Board Meeting was posted on Friday, September 4, at Town of Scott Town Hall, 2621 Jody Drive, and on the Town of Scott website at www.townofscott.com on Friday, September 4, 2026.

Moved by Baenen, seconded by Strebel to accept and file the Affidavit of Posting.

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

4. Approval of the Agenda.

Van Lanen requested Item 10H (SMU Commissioner Appointment) should be moved after public comment.

Moved by, Strebel seconded by Baenen to approve the agenda as amended.

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

5. Approval of the Minutes from the August 18, 2026, Town Board Meeting

VandenLangenberg requested the following corrections to the minutes:

- The name Leland be corrected to Lee in the public comment section
- Add Nathan Schulze and Devin Flanigan as speakers during the NFFD presentation.

Moved by VandenLangenberg, seconded by Baenen to approve the August 18, 2026, Town Board minutes as amended. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

6. Acceptance of Prior Town Meeting Minutes.

A. Scott Municipal Utility (SMU): August 17, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Moved by Strebel, seconded by Baenen to accept the August 17, 2026, SMU Meeting minutes as presented. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

B. Plan Commission: August 20, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Moved by Baenen, seconded by Strebel to accept the August 20, 2026, Plan Meeting minutes as presented. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

7. Public Comment:

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

Fuge handed the public comment forms filled out to Chair Van Lanen.

Karen Feld, 4441 Renier Rd: Feld spoke during public comment at the August meeting regarding some concerns on Red Bank Court. She asked for an update, which Cerny provided.

He added a letter was sent to the property owner the week of August 31.

Dale Flavion, 2570 Edmund Rd: Flavion asked for a status update on the excessive chickens at his neighbor's property, noting his neighbor has more than four chickens.

Cerny affirmed as of September 8 there were 12 chickens on property and discussed the next actions.

Van Lanen requested Cerny provide a citation weekly if the resident is not in compliance.

Moved by Baenen, seconded by Wojcik to go back to the regular agenda.

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

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

A. 2027 Recycling Unit Intergovernmental Agreement

Fuge said a copy of the intergovernmental cooperative agreement was in the agenda packet for review. This agreement is required to be signed annually to satisfy the eligibility for the Wisconsin Recycling Consolidation Grant which is due October 1.

Moved by Strebel, seconded by VandenLangenberg to approve the Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement to Satisfy Eligibility for the Wisconsin Recycling Consolidation Grant for Calendar Year 2027. Vote: Aye-4. No-0, Abstain-1 (Van Lanen). Motion Carried.

Van Lanen abstained as he is on the Recycling Board.

B. 2027 Recycling Grant

Fuge provided a copy in the agenda packet of the drafted recycling grant application which is due October 1. It is ready to be filed, pending approval by the Board and the signing of the agreement (Item A).

Moved by Strebel, seconded by Wojcik to approve the 2027 Recycling Grant. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

C. Appointment of additional temporary election inspectors for the 2026-2027 term.

Fuge requested the Board appoint Debra VandenLangenberg, 4725 Champion Road (Republican Affiliated) as an election inspector for the remainder of the 2026-2027 term.

Moved by Wojcik, seconded by Baenen to appoint Debra VandenLangneberg, 4725 Champion Rd (Republican Affiliated) as an election inspector for the remainder of the 2026-2027 term. Vote: Aye-4. No-0, Abstain-1 (Vanden Langenberg). Motion Carried.

D. Discussion of the 2027 Annual Roads Certification

Fuge said this is due by October 16 and helps transportation aid for the municipality. On the even year just the maintenance and construction report needs to be filed. The items were attached.

Moved by Van Lanen, seconded by approve Wojcik to approve the 2027 Annual Roads Certification. Vote: Aye-5, No-0. Motion Carried.

E. To set Budget Workshops for the 2027 Budget

Fuge requested the board set budget workshops to discuss the 2027 budget. After discussion, the Board approved the following dates:

September 22, 2026 at 5 p.m. (Budget Workshop)

October 7, 2026 at 5 p.m., if needed (Budget Workshop)

October 12, 2026 at 5 p.m. Discussion/Action on SMU Budget

November 5, 2026 at 5 p.m. Public Hearing regarding the Budget, Special Town Meeting of the Town Electors to approve the 2026 total town tax levy (to be collected in 2027).

F. Review of the Newsletter Policy.

Fuge requested that the board consider and direct staff as to how many newsletters they would like to mail annually. It costs about \$2,000 to publish and mail one newsletter. The cost is split between the Town and SMU Stormwater. However, SMU would like to provide input at their September 14 meeting. Fuge asked for feedback as to how many newsletters the Board would like staff to do annually.

The board wanted three newsletters but were concerned with costs.

VandenLangenberg proposed that one of the newsletters be a postcard with a QR code to the website, which is the process she set when she sent out the CCR Report for SMU. She shared that residents can call Town Hall and request a newsletter be mailed or picked up at Town Hall.

The Board directed staff to publish three newsletters 2027, with the spring newsletter a postcard with QR code.

G. Town Constable Appointment (Item previously tabled)

Fuge stated this position has remained unfilled since July 2025. She asked if the board would like to consider at the upcoming town elector meeting abolishing one of the positions, which would go into effect at the end of the term. She stated this position is on the upcoming 2027 ballot.

There was no appointment.

H. SMU Commissioner Appointment

Van Lanen said Bob Blaney's appointment as SMU Commissioner expires September 30, 2026. Herrman recommended Joseph Bell at 3906 Lloyd St. to be appointed.

Joe Bell, 3906 Lloyd, spoke to the board and thanked him for the appointment. He provided his background.

Moved by Van Lanen, seconded by Baenen to appoint Joseph Bell to the SMU Commissioner Board for a five-year term. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

I. Road/drainage/ditching/snowplowing/complaint issues

Van Lanen said he received a complaint about a tree in a cul-de-sac on Beechnut. Cerny said Economy Tree can take care of that.

Strebel asked about an ordinance on new construction properties. He wanted the Town to make the contractor/homeowner landscape their ditches, so the water drains out. The Board requested Cerny draft an ordinance to be shared at the next meeting.

11. Informational: Brown County Patrol Summary Report

The Brown County Patrol Summary Report was provided in the agenda packet. No action was taken on this item.

12. Informational: Reports from the Clerk, Engineer, Economic Development Coordinator, SMU and Fire.

Clerk:

She said ballots for the November 3, 2026, election will go out on Thursday, September 17, 2026.

Engineer: Behnke provided an update on the pedestrian trail. There was a delay due to weather. He also provided information about the recent Bay Heights resurfacing and the culvert replacement plan.

Economic Development Coordinator: Nothing to add.

SMU: Nothing to add.

Plan Commission: Nothing to add.

Fire: The last training was pumping the hydrants.

13. Informational: Reports from the members of the Town Board.

Strebel: Strebel asked if a date should be set to shoulder the roads. He wants to make sure it is done in May. Strebel asked about painting the lines on roads, which he suggested we need to do by a deadline. Strebel asked about having a point person to review and look at trees that may be deemed hazardous that are in the right of way. He suggested the SMU operators.

VandenLangenberg: VandenLangenberg asked about the workshop on September 17.

Wojcik: Wojcik recapped the Brown County Plan Commission Meeting. He also said there is a run walk for the New Franken Fire Department on Saturday, September 19, 2026.

Baenen: Had nothing to add.

Van Lanen: Van Lanen said the road projects in 2026 were done well and the communication prior to the projects were helpful.

14. Approval of the Treasurer/Clerk Monthly Financial Reports

Fuge said the financial report was e-mailed last Friday. The cover sheet was handed out.

Moved by Baenen, seconded by VandenLangenberg to approve the August 2026 Treasurer/Clerk Monthly Financial Reports. Vote: Aye-5. No-0. Motion Carried.

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

Parks Committee: TBD **Plan Commission:** September 16 **SMU:** September 14, October 12

Board: October 13 **Board of Review:** September 10 (10 a.m.)

Fire Commission Meetings: September 17, 30, October 6 starting at 6 p.m.

at New Franken Fire Department-5077 Ronsman Rd

16. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Jaime Fuge

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