

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES



Date: October 8, 2026

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Oakland Town Hall, 6152 S County Rd K South Range WI 54874

Board Members Present: Chairman, Pete Fornengo, Supervisor Randy Polson, Clerk Laurie Dolsen, and Treasurer Stacy Fornengo

Board Members Absent: Dana Dolsen

Others Present: 24 Interested Citizens and 2 Douglas County Sherriff's Deputies

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Chair Pete Fornengo.

2. Roll Call/Quorum/Posting

Board members present: Pete, Randy, Stacy, and Laurie. Approximately 24 interested citizens were also present. The meeting was properly posted.

3. Hiring of Second Employee and Discussion with Possible Action on Starting Health Insurance Early

One candidate has accepted a position and one candidate originally accepted a position and then backed out. An offer will go to the third successful candidate. We have received a request to start health insurance earlier than at 3 months. After discussion, RP motioned to start health insurance after 1 month, PF seconded, all were in favor via voice vote, motion carried.

4. Public Comment

A citizen asked that we move on and get back to taking care of the roads (they are getting bad) and asked why we haven't hired anyone to maintain the roads until the new employees start. PF shared he was hoping to do just that but based on overall negative public comment from a previous meeting, he decided not to pursue that option and hoped to have new employees hired and working soon. He stated he will work with other municipalities (most likely Parkland) to get assistance with getting the roads caught up before the ground freezes. PF will check with Parkland's town chair to see if they can assist us. Eric Wedan was recently hired and is in training and will start full-time on October 19. The question was asked about the beaver dam on Dowling Lake—both PF and RP have checked the site and Dan Zukowski, who we have a beaver contract with, has taken the last beaver out. Water is low and dredging needs to take place, but would need to follow all requirements to do so (previous DNR approvals have been received for this). The beaver dam has been removed. New employee Eric Wedan introduced himself and shared his experience and plans. Everyone welcomed him to the town.

5. Adjournment

RP motioned to adjourn, PF seconded, all were in favor via voice vote; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Laurie K. Dolsen, Clerk