



**Town of Oakland
Douglas County, Wisconsin**

**Town Board Meeting
May 12, 2026 at 7:00pm
Oakland Town Hall**

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: 14 residents, Pete F, Randy P, Dana D, and Stacy F

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman, Pete F. Pledge of allegiance performed.

Review, Amendment, and Approval of Minutes of Prior Board Meetings – Dana D motioned to approve with changes to BOR, Randy P seconded, all in favor via voice vote; motion carried. 4/14 & 4/28 Dana D motioned to approve with changes, Randy P seconded, all in favor via voice vote; motion carried.

Reports and Significant Communications

Town Clerk - Converted Quickbooks from Desktop version to Online version – company discontinuing the desktop version and would not sell us a prorated version during the conversion to Workhorse. Have been some bumps in the road, but working through them. Reached out for Audit prices and information. Berquist Account, does our form CT and does point out any incorrect information, but does not have the staff time to do a full audit. They recommended Anderson, Hagar, and Moe. They also do not have the staff or time to provide this service any more. They recommended Hawkins Ash in Medford. Town Clean up – spoke with Rany Ott of WM said that we are doing 5x the garbage pickup that other communities are doing. We were extended a rate at 7 dumpsters for 10, wanted us to know that this price could be drastically different for next year with the closing of the Superior landfill. Also recommended imposing some limitations or checking IDs to keep the budget in check.

Town Treasurer – no report, busy with everything

Board members – Randy P gave update on the town clean up and the food that will be served to volunteers

Fire Department – 2 medical, 1 wild land fire, 1 fire. Another member completed entry level firefighting, one completed EMR, tanker is repaired, winch mount completed on brush truck. Electrical work completed on the fire hall.

Road Crew – graded 18 days, checked roads, picked up garbage on Tri Lakes, hauled gravel on different roads 5 days, checked roads for trees from high winds, went to Diggers Hotline, checked roads and put out cones for flooding, picked up cones, removed tree from Lucas Rd, remove tree on Clara Barton, fixed and repaired the lawnmowers at the town hall and the shop, repaired broken wire on the pump at the shop, took 2022 grader to Fabick for warranty work, picked up 2004 Mack at Nuss after brake repair, finished parking lot at shop from wire repair, changed blades on 2025 grader, worked on FD tanker, helped fight the structures and wildland fire on Jacksino Rd, fixed signs, picked up 2022 grader at Fabick, repaired on Old Lyman Lake north of Neuman road from water over the road, repaired Rice Farm Rd from washout, finished the step in front of fuel barrel, prepping for town cleanup.

Community Events – Pancake Supper 5-7 on May 19th.

Plans, Permits, and other Items for Board Review

Planning Commission – did not meet, no applications to review

New Business

- Expense Accounts – Menards – Greg, Shawn, Randy, Gerry, Pete W, Alex. Other expense accounts opened: Northern Tools, Acme, Uline, Fastenal.

Open Items from Last Meeting

- Audit – shoebox accounting for audit. Dana will make calls.
- Bond Insurance – both Lydia and Stacy applied through Holden Insurance Company
- Employee badge / cards for identification purposes along with Employee ID numbers – no update
- Guest Wi-Fi password – password does not change
- Discuss response from attorney regarding the existing Collective Bargaining Agreement. Meeting with attorney 5/26/26 at 6:00pm
- Develop Employee Personnel Handbook – including a reimbursement policy, needed policies to match FLSA standards for comp time and overtime in alignment with the Big Beautiful Bill
- Resident request to establish a budget/finance guidance committee to assist the board in decision making – no resident committee

- Garbage bid specs for future bids for garbage/recycling. Must align with the solid waste ordinance – no bids received yet

Items from Annual Meeting

- Clerk office hours – post best methods of contact
- Road Conditions & Grading – log viewing, updates to the public
- Fire Department Equipment Needs – budget for replacement of equipment

Other working items without current update

- Remote and Telephone Policy – awaiting equipment update and testing functionality before approval

Public Comment – none. Dana thanked the Fire Department, they have been busy.

Set Next Board Meeting Date – 6/9 at 7:00pm

Adjournment – Dana D made a motion to adjourn, Randy P seconded, all in favor via voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm.