

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2025 AT THE MINONG TOWN HALL
DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION CAN BE TAKEN ON ALL AGENDA ITEMS**

NOTICE: IF SOMEONE WITH A DISABILITY REQUIRES THAT THE MEETING BE ACCESSIBLE OR THAT MATERIALS AT THE MEETING BE IN AN ACCESSIBLE FORMAT, CALL THE CLERK'S OFFICE AT LEAST 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE TO REQUEST ADEQUATE ACCOMMODATIONS.

**VERIFY LEGAL
POSTING**

NOTICE: D Conaway verified the posting.

CALL TO

ORDER: Meeting was called to order by David Conaway at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL: David Conaway, Linda Featherly, Dean Patrick, James Smith and Christine Holland.
**Also present Susan Conaway Clerk/Treasurer and Rhonda Kellen Deputy Clerk/Treasurer.

PLEDGE OF

ALLEGIANCE: Recited.

APPROVE

AGENDA: Motion by C Holland to approve the agenda as presented, 2nd by J Smith. All in favor. Motion Carried.

APPROVE

MINUTES: Motion by L Featherly to approve the minutes as presented from the July 14th Meeting, 2nd by C Holland. D Patrick noted a correction under the Gilmore Lake Culvert Survey Results from Julie Kjerstad to Judy Kjerstad. All in favor. Motion Carried.

REVIEW

BILLS: Board reviewed debits 545-552 and check numbers 31746-31790.

FINANCIAL

REPORT: S Conaway read the balances for the Town's accounts. Motion by J Smith to approve the Financial Statement dated July 31, 2025 in the amount of \$1,122,828.15, 2nd by D Patrick. L Featherly asked if the shared revenue was yearly, it is. All in favor. Motion Carried.

MINONG POLICE

REPORT/

UPDATE: Police Chief Shepard was in attendance and provided the July Police Report, he reported Summer Days was pretty uneventful. He also stated the Town Squad car has been sold and the money was put into a fund and will be used to pay down one of the police vehicles.

GREENWOOD

CEMETERY &

FINANCIALS: S Conaway stated we received payment for 1 cremation and Care of Graves plus some interest this month giving us an Ending Balance of \$55,031.75. Motion by C Holland to approve the Greenwood Cemetery Financials, 2nd by L Featherly. All in favor. Motion Carried.

CITIZEN

COMMENTS: Steve Dahlby read a statement regarding the Transfer Station and what he felt was presented at the Transfer Station Public Hearing and had some proposal thoughts for the Board.

Michael Petersen thought the leasing option was a good idea. He also wanted the Board to know that there is a petition against the sale.

Max Ericson Sr. wanted to know what it would cost a tax payer if they paid \$100,000 in taxes. He agrees we should keep the dump and open it up to 5 days a week.

D Patrick commented he asked Yuri Walczak at the Village Meeting about leasing and he was told that he is not interested in leasing. He also stated he thinks Kim at the Transfer Station does an excellent job.

L Featherly commented she would like to see more police contact for unruly people at the Transfer Station and we need to be open to paying more and benefits.

S Conaway made a point to say that the Towns decision to keep the Transfer Station does need to go back to the other two municipalities because the Town does not own the Transfer Station themselves.

C Holland stated the suggestions/comments regarding incentives to stay at the dump is not something this Board can decide. There are procedures and that is not going to happen in this year's budget. There needs to be a little bit of understand that this is not going to happen overnight. S Conaway stated benefits have been looked at before and it is not as easy as the Town providing them.

ZONING: None

**NEW
BUSINESS:**

Minong Transfer Station Public Input Meeting Discussion – D Conaway stated we heard what the residents of the Town of Minong wanted. Motion by D Patrick to maintain ownership of the Transfer Station and continue to receive input from the public and see how we can better the operations, 2nd by C Holland. All in favor. Motion Carried.

DNR Tower – S Conaway said she received a call from Kirby with the DNR regarding the Tower on the south side of the Hall. The DNR will no longer be in need of using our location for emergency staging since the DNR's new building being completed. If we want to keep the tower, the DNR will sign over the tower to the Town at no cost to the Town. If the Town does not want to keep the tower, the DNR will remove it. Motion by J Smith to keep the tower, 2nd by C Holland. 4 Ayes, 1 Nay (D Patrick). Motion Carried.

2025 Short Term Rental License – R Kellen is asking the Board for approval for one new short term rental. Motion by L Featherly to approve the short term rental, 2nd by C Holland. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Slow No-Wake-Request – Minong Flowage – Brad Rundhaug stated the reason they are after the no-wake is because there is so much traffic in the channel. They are trying to get approval so they can put in buoys. The Minong Flowage will take care of and pay for the buoys. They need approval from the Town Board. Rob Sloan also spoke. Both Brad & Rob confirmed the DNR is still asking for an ordinance from the Town. Discussion between Brad, Rob and the Board. Motion by L Featherly to postpone this to a monthly update, 2nd by C Holland. 4 Ayes, 1 Nay (D Patrick). Motion Carried.

ROADS &

ROAD WORK: Road Crew Report/Updates – D Conaway reported the road crew has been hauling gravel to Bear Tree, Little Sand, and they are just starting Kimball Lake Rd. They have also been mowing, removing trees on Nancy Lake and helping at the Transfer Station breaking up furniture.

Purchases – Scott Construction brought in a quote to wedge Shell Creek Rd 535’ x 22’ and 200’ x 11’ at inch and a half thickness is \$18,480 and Greenwood from Pixley to the Town line is 3,388’ x 20’ inch and a half thickness is \$89,760. Discussion between the Board Members.

UNFINISHED

BUSINESS: Lakeside Bridge Update – No update at this time. D Patrick will try to reach out to Chuck Warner and Brian Danielsen from the County to get an update.

MONTHLY

REPORTS: Chairman Report – D Conaway reported him and C Holland attended the WTA Meeting last month. At the meeting the topic of driveways and the fire departments. The WTA would like to get the county more involved in driveway permits.

Clerk’s Report/Update – S Conaway reported for July there were 5 fire calls, 3 for the Town and there were 27 ambulance calls for the Town. She mentioned the office has been very busy this month with all of the complaint calls.

CITIZENS

COMMENTS: On Agenda Items Only – S Dahlby suggested putting a suggestion box at the Transfer Station having individuals write down their name and a way to contact them and what their problem/concern is and someone will call you back.

G Svenningsen suggested for the people on the Flowage to take pictures and post them on social media and also word of mouth will get people talking.

D Patrick suggested if the Association wants those buoys to hire a deputy or DNR guy and spend one weekend out there writing tickets and it will get out there and it will come to an end pretty fast. D Patrick also want this in the record, the Wisconsin Watersports Coalition released this this week Wisconsin Towns – Remember when the Last Wilderness Alliance told you they’ll step in if you gut sued and will defend the ordinance for free? Breaking news: The U.S. District Court for Western Wisconsin has DENIED the Last Wilderness Alliance’s request to join as an intervenor in the Town of Scott lawsuit to help defend the ordinance, either automatically or by permission.

M Ericson wanted to know if all the businesses get a dump card. Susan stated businesses can get rid of their household garbage only. She explained we are just following the rules we were given by the Transfer Station Committee. M Ericson stated that the Transfer Station Committee as a Committee does not have any power so why are we listening to what they are saying.

DATE &

AGENDA: Next Regular Board Meeting: Will be held on Monday, Sept. 15, 2025 at 6:00 pm.
Agenda Items: Slow-No-Wake Request – Minong Flowage, Lakeside Bridge.

**ADJOURN
TO CLOSED**

SESSION: Motion made by L Featherly to go into closed session Pursuant to Statute 19.85 (1) (c) & (e) (c) Considering employment promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. – Employees (e)

Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Minong Transfer Station Discussion, 2nd by C Holland. All in favor. Motion Carried.

ROLL CALL: David Conaway, Linda Featherly, Christine Holland, Jim Smith, and Dean Patrick. Susan Conaway was asked to stay.

**ADJOURN CLOSED
SESSION & RETURN
TO OPEN SESSION**

FOR MOTIONS: Motion by D Patrick to return to open session, 2nd by J Smith.

Motion by D Patrick to not participate in the task force for the Transfer Station as we have a representative that can pass along any information, 2nd by L Featherly. All in favor. Motion Carried.

ADJOURN

MEETING: Motion by D Patrick to adjourn the meeting, 2nd J Smith. Meeting adjourned at 9:29 pm. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Chairman

Clerk/Treasurer