

Town of Tomah Town Board Meeting
September 14, 2026

Present: Chairman Todd R. Sparks, Supervisor John Ollendick, Supervisor Ken Simon, Treasurer Teresa Hubert, Clerk Jennifer Zeps and Deputy Clerk Breanne Zarembo.

- Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Todd R. Sparks.
- Public Comment
 - Vaughn Kuehl – Commented on mileage reimbursement guidelines, the potential sale of the black truck, notification policy for road closures and the DOT ruling of the Cost Increase Project Change Form submitted by the Town of Tomah for repairs to Interior Road in the Town of Wilton.
 - Val Holmes – Commented that she will not be silenced with threats and will make comments during meetings and will continue to advocate for the return of the Community Table.
- Approval/Correction of the August 10, 2026 Town Board Minutes (Discussion/Action)
 - Supervisor Simon would like to make a correction on page 2 to change Supervisor Simonson to Supervisor Simon.
 - Supervisor Simon made a motion to amend the minutes; Chairman Sparks seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - Supervisor Simon made a motion to approve the minutes in entirety, with amendments. Chairman Sparks seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- Clerk's Report
 - To date, the Town has received \$1,493.70 from Manthey Salvage for scrap metal.
 - Open Books Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 7, 2026 from 5 – 8 pm.
 - Oakdale Area Fire Association (OAFA) Annual Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 8, 2026 at 7:30 p.m. Chairman Sparks, Supervisor Ollendick and Deputy Clerk Zarembo will potentially attend.
 - Board of Review Meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2026 from 5 – 7 pm.
- Treasurer's Report
 - Treasurer Hubert read an accounting of all bank accounts.
 - An update on outstanding fire call reimbursement was given.
- CenturyLink Landline Telephone (Discussion)
 - Cost for the Town landline increased by \$20 effective July 24, 2026 bringing our monthly expense up to \$118.
 - It was suggested that the Clerk contact CenturyLink and request rates be lowered before making any changes and revisit the issue in October.
- Mileage Reimbursement Resolution 2026-09-14-01 (Discussion/Action)
 - Supervisor Simon made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-09-14-01. Supervisor Ollendick seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- Re-Purpose of Funds to Transfer to Equipment and Street Maintenance Account (Discussion/Action)
 - Supervisor Ollendick made a motion to approve the Re-Purpose of Funds Transfer. Chairman Sparks seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- Re-Purpose of Funds to Transfer to Highway and Street Maintenance Account (Discussion/Action)
 - Supervisor Simon made a motion to approve the Re-Purpose of Funds Transfer. Supervisor Ollendick seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

- Harter's Contract Extension (Discussion/Action)
 - Supervisor Simon made a motion to extend the Service Agreement with Harter's for one year (March 2027 through March 2028). Supervisor Ollendick seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- Sale of 2023 Chevy Dump Truck to Replace 2007 Peterbuilt Dump Truck/Delayed Purchase (Discussion)
 - Discussion occurred regarding the usefulness and potential sale of the 2023 Chevy Dump Truck.
- Hilldale Road LSSIP Funding for Cost Share (Discussion/Action)
 - Discussion occurred regarding the Town's options to fund the estimated \$194,344.25 cost for the Hilldale Road LSSIP and if we are able to decline the State funding once the Project Award Letter is signed.
 - Supervisor Ollendick made the motion to find out more information before signing the Project Award Letter. Supervisor Simon seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- Agreement with Ho-Chunk Nation Transportation Authority (HTA) on Holiday Road Culverts (Discussion/Action)
 - The HTA Road Maintenance Cooperative Agreement Number 25-2026 would provide up to \$55,000 to replace 3 culverts on the north end of Holiday Road with a fulfillment date of May 30, 2027.
 - Supervisor Ollendick made a motion to accept the Agreement as written. Supervisor Simon seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- Budget Meeting Proposed Date: October 15, 2026 at 6 pm
 - Meeting date was accepted.
- Chairman Update
 - No update on the Interior Road Change Management Form. The parts for the grader repairs have been received and completion of work could be as early as Friday, September 18, 2026. With the potential sale of the Monroe County Landfill, the Town should plan to increase the Refuse and Garbage Collection budget for 2027.
- Next meeting date will be October 12, 2026 at 7:00 pm.
- Approval and Signing of Bills to be Paid
- Treasurer Hubert left the meeting at 8:35 p.m.
- Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Sparks at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer J. Zeps, Town Clerk