



TOWN OF HIGHLAND
Iowa County, Wisconsin

TOWN BOARD MEETING
Highland Town Hall
844 Main St, Highland, WI 53543
Tuesday, October 14, 2025; 6:00 PM

MINUTES

1. *Call to order by Town Chair, Al Kosharek.*
Richards, McGuire, Kosharek
2. *Verify open meeting notice requirement.*
Aulik verified.
3. *Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes from September 9, 2025.*
Motion by Richards, second by McGuire to approve the minutes. Motion carried 3-0.
4. Reports:
 - a) Treasurer – September ending balance \$202,385.59
 - b) Fire District – Highland Fire Dept bought a new ranger.
 - c) Road – Adam & Andrew have been hauling fill. Bridge on Nils Rd not completed but Busch and Farmers Ridge are; need to work with county to refurbish signs. Lots of patching and 80% of the mowing has been completed. Discussed camera and other upgrades to plow truck. They have plans to fix culverts on Hach Hill and Booth Hollow with Kevin Wienkes.
 - d) Clerk – see items below; reviewed land use and building projects from County.
5. Public Comment – None.
6. Old Business
 - a) *Discussion and possible action regarding the creation of a Town website.* – No update.
 - b) *Discussion and possible action regarding updating the Town Employee Handbook.* – No update.
7. New Business
 - a) *Discussion and possible action to approve a rezone request for Jay & Jessica Moelling for 23.14 acres located at 5270 Big Spring Road. The request is to rezone the property from A-1 to the C-1 district.*



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- Motion by Kosharek to approve the rezone request from A-1 to C-1, second by Richards. Voice vote. Motion carried 3-0.
- b) *Discussion and possible action to approve a resolution to participate in the WI ETF Income Continuation plan beginning February 1, 2026.*
Motion by Kosharek, second by Richards to approve the resolution. Voice vote. Motion carried 3-0.
- c) *Discussion regarding the status of Town Bridges.*
As discussed in Road Report, Farmer's Ridge and Busch Rd bridges complete; Nils Rd not completed. Per the Iowa County Hwy, we can expect to hear about bridge funding options in late November.
- d) *Discussion regarding Town phone and phone usage.*
Personal phone usage for Town business was discussed. When employees use personal phones, their phone can become subject to open records requests. The practice is generally frowned upon by attorneys. The Town patrolmen and Clerk use their personal phones regularly for Town business. Discussed was providing a monthly phone allowance. This item will be brought back for the November budget discussion. Also discussed were the landlines through Spectrum to see if at least one of the shop lines can be eliminated.
- e) *Discussion and possible action to approve the 2026 Preliminary Budget.*
Aulik asked clarifying questions regarding prior budget materials. Preliminary budget to be presented in November. No action taken.
8. *Pay October Claims & Expenditures*
Motion by Kosharek, second by McGuire to pay the bills. Voice vote. Motion carried 3-0.
9. *Adjourn and Next Meeting Date: November 11, 2025*
Motion by Richards, second by McGuire. Motion carried 3-0.