Town of Plover, Marathon County, Wisconsin
Regular Meeting of the Town Board
180771 County Road Z, Birnamwood, WI 54414

Tuesday, September 15, 2026, 6:00 p.m. (Modified Date Due to Scheduling Conflict)

Minutes

1. **Call to Order by Chairman, Tony Kautza**
   Chairman Kautza called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call – Town Supervisor, Pete Marien, and Town Supervisor, Scott McRae**
   Clerk Valerie Parker noted Marien and McRae were also present.

   Also, in attendance: Treasurer, Connie Sippl, and Clerk, Valerie Parker

3. **Visitors**
   Dick Lehmann, 177374 Pine View Road
   Carlton Boettcher, 183216 County Road Z

4. **Public Comments/Concerns (Limit 5 Minutes Per Person)**
   Lehmann questioned when Pine View Road (west of County Road Y would be graded. Kautza informed him that Block will be out grading the rest of this week. Kautza stated next year we will add some granite to Pine View Road. Lehmann commented that they recently had their driveway redone. Kautza stated the end of their driveway is fine how it now is. There was some discussion on wind farms, and Kautza commented how funding for those is dropping, so there may be less requests .

5. **Minutes from Previous Meeting**
- **August 12, 2026, Regular Board Meeting**

   Motion by Marien, second by McRae, to approve the meeting minutes of August 12, 2026.

6. **Review and Signing of Monthly Expenditures**

7. **Review and Action on 2026 Monthly Budget**
   Parker stated that we will be receiving our final 2026 Transportation Aid payment and Shared Revenue payment soon.

   Parker stated that following paying our monthly bills, she moved enough funds from Money Market to leave a little cushion in our checking account until the Transportation Aid payment comes in (early October).

   Motion by McRae, second by Marien, to approve the monthly budget.

8. **Clerk's Report**
   Parker stated she gave them each a draft copy of the 2027 budget. She stated she is still waiting on some numbers yet, but if the Board wants any dollar amounts moved around to let her know.

   Parker stated she will be picking up election ballots tomorrow, and will be getting absentee ballots out on Thursday.

9. **Road Report**
   Kautza stated Block will be grading roads the rest of this week. He stated that Christiansen's will be hauling the contracted granite to Sportsman Drive and Clay Road by October 1st. He stated he had some discussion with Christiansen about the granite they will be using.

10. **New Business**
- **Open, Review, and Take Action on Proposals Received for 2027 Assessor Contract (3 or 5 year)**
  We received 3 proposals, after some discussion, the Board focused on the 3-year options:

  Up North Assessments $7,212.00 per year

Accurate Appraisals $8,000.00 per year
Borree Appraisal Services $11,000.00 per year

Motion by McRae second by Marien, to accept the proposal from Up North Assessments for 3-year services.

- **Discussion on Draft 2026 Tax Levy and Proposed 2027 Town Budget**
  Parker will have more final numbers for October and will schedule the public hearing and special elector's meeting.

- **Acknowledge Marathon County Responsible Units of Recycling Cooperative Waste Reduction, Reuse, and Recycling Education Program Agreement for 2027 (Related to 2027 WI Recycling Grant Application**
  Parker stated this agreement allows the Town to receive bonus monies from the State as part of our Recycling Grant.

  ***Motion by Marien, second by McRae, to approve* the Marathon County Responsible Units of Recycling Cooperative Waste Reduction, Reuse, and Recycling Education Program Agreement for 2027.**

11. Old Business

- **Continued Discussion on 2026 Road Projects**
  Kautza stated that Pine View Road by the bridge is fixed and next year we will probably work with Scott Construction to have a cold mix seal coat overlay placed over that (versus asphalt). He stated we will also plan to have additional granite put down on the west end of Pine View Road.

  Kautza stated that next year we will look at seal coating sections of North Pole Road, South Pole Road, Corner Drive and Cresent Drive. He stated we will also fix a couple of spots on Pine View, Hatchery and Sportsman. He stated that this fall he will have Block go out and brush cut along Plover-Aniwa Townline Road. He stated that he will also have Block grade Helf Road.

- **Discussion and/or Action on Snowmobile Crossing Issue on Hatchery Road**
  Kautza stated he has had more contact with the group and has also talked to Vincent Muhs about issues he has had with the club, over on County Road Z.

- **Continued Discussion on Possibly Ending County Zoning (Action Due by January 27, 2027)**
  Kautza stated we can wait this out a bit longer.

12. Remarks from the Board
None.

13. Future Items

- Regular Town Board Meeting – Town Board Meeting & Public Hearing on 2027 Budget – Tuesday, October 13, 2026 – 6pm
- Special Town Meeting of Electros to Approve 2026 Tax Levy (to be paid in 2027) – Following 6pm Meeting
- Special Town Board Meeting on the Adoption of the 2027 Budget – Following the Electors Meeting

14. Adjourn

Motion by McRae, second by Marien, to adjourn at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully,

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