

# Town of Lind Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

Lind Town Hall, N1315 County Road A, Waupaca, WI

Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026 6:00 p.m.

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- Called to order at 6:00 pm
- Roll call: K. Nickel, T. Stearns, C. Hardy, C. McCoy, K. Barrows all present. Public attendance per sign in sheets (9 per sign in book).
- Approved Agenda: Chairperson Nickel amended the agenda for a joint meeting with Lind Planning Commission and town board on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6 p.m. to review the county ordinances; incorrect date for the Public Hearing should be March 26<sup>th</sup> not the 28<sup>th</sup>. Motion by Supervisor II Hardy, seconded by Supervisor I Stearns to approve the agenda with the amendments; motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- Public Input/Comments:
  - Eric Bailey, Waupaca Library Director: Long Range Planning Survey. Mr. Bailey was not present at this meeting. Chairperson Nickel reported that Mr. Bailey wanted to provide an update on the services provided by the library; a survey located on the table for residents to take, by taking the survey you could win a \$100 Chamber gift certificate.
  - Joel Bartel, introduced himself. He is running for Waupaca County Supervisor 20. He is running on the platform of affordability, keeping local control, fixing roads and transparency.
  - Mark Flaten, Ed. D., District Administrator Waupaca Schools: April 7, 2026 Waupaca School District Referendum: Austin Moore, financial director for Waupaca School District was present at tonight's meeting. The school district is asking for \$2.75 million per year for 2 years to use in the general fund. School tax makes up 37% of the property tax bill. If the referendum is not passed, they will cut 22 instructional staff. There was a question-and-answer session held. The district is holding informational meetings, you can go to the school website for more information.
- Monthly Board Meeting January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026: Motion by Supervisor I Stearns, seconded by Chairperson Nickel to approve the minutes as presented; motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Barrows reviewed monthly bank accounts.
- Clerk's Report:
  - Bills and Receipts: Clerk McCoy requested approval of payment in the amount of \$39,505.06, checks 5338-5383. It was moved by Chairperson Nickel, seconded by Supervisor II Hardy to approve receipt of \$39,505.06. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
  - Clerk McCoy reported on 2 day classes attended for clerk's college in Stevens Point.
- Land Planning Commission meeting: Art Richardson reported on the zoning change, conditional use permit for Jordan Bauer. Public Hearing will be held March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 6 p.m., Lind Town Hall.
- Oral Report from County Board Supervisors meeting: Supervisor II Hardy reported attending legislative meetings in Madison, and shared information on data centers; solar energy; nuclear power and the ICE.

- Oral Reports from meetings attended by Lind board members: Supervisor II Hardy reported on the Weyauwega Fire District event, Firefighters Experience to be held March 28<sup>th</sup>, Gold Cross ambulance information, Gold Cross ambulance will be presenting this information at the March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Lind Town Board meeting; Chairperson Nickel reported on the Waupaca Fire District meeting, false alarm ordinance is in the final draft, 3<sup>rd</sup> false alarm will be charged, looking into billing of the false alarm. Fire calls have increased in 2026, Town of Saxville has had 4 structural fires so far this year, Waupaca has assisted; election worker training was held.
  
- Update on Roads, Culverts, Fire Numbers:
  - Fire numbers: Supervisor I Stearns – No fire numbers have been installed last month.
  - Snowplowing report: Chairperson Nickel reported cost of snowplowing has increased due to ice conditions.
  - Discuss and/or approve Bi-Annual Bridge Inspections by Waupaca County Highway Department: Chairperson Nickel reported this is a 2 year cycle; County will be charging \$300-\$400 per bridge. Motion by Supervisor II Hardy, seconded by Supervisor I Stearns to approve Waupaca County Highway Department to do the Bi-Annual Bridge Inspections. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
  - Discuss and review culvert inspections: Chairperson Nickel reported on a state program which will pay 90% of the cost for replacement of a culvert; County inventoried and hired a company to rate the culverts; culverts must have a rating of 4 or less to qualify for this program. Galilee Road culvert is the only one that qualifies at this point.
  - Discuss possible road trip to evaluate town roads: Chairperson Nickel would like to put together a road plan at the March meeting. The Town Board will meet at the town hall on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8 a.m. for the road tour.
  
- New Business:
  - Discuss and/or approve retaining part of the zoning, map amendment, CUP fee when approval is denied: Discussion was held. Postponed until next month's meeting.
  - Discuss and/or approve Star Communications to be auto pay: Discussion was held. Due to the due date of the invoice, it is usually received late. Supervisor II Hardy informed if you pay by the year, you receive 1 month free. Clerk McCoy will check into this. Motion by Chairperson Nickel, seconded by Supervisor II Hardy to approve auto pay for Star Communications. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
  - Volunteers for taking survey at the Waupaca Recycling Center this spring: Chairperson Nickel will post something on the website for possible dates; no per diems will be paid for this; looking to take the survey 3-4 times this year.
  - Discuss and/or approve SNA Suety bond package for clerk and treasurer: Dave Loken from Rural Insurance was present at the meeting to answer questions on bonding of the clerk and treasurer. Mr. Loken will send over quotes for the bonding of the clerk and treasurer. Postponed until next month's meeting.
  - Discuss and/or approve Media Air Cleaner onto the furnace: Air quality check has been completed. Basement has a 0R factor, cracks in basement walls, cleaning the ducks would not help with air quality; ceiling has fiberglass installation, which has 0R factor; floor tiles in the basement are probably asbestos. Discussion was held about the amount of money to spend on the town hall vs building a new town hall. Installation of Media Air Cleaner and IWave onto the furnace is \$1,442.90 by Your Home Comfort Solutions. Motion by Supervisor II Hardy, second

by Supervisor I Stearns to approve Your Home Comfort Solutions to install the Media Air Cleaner and IWave on the furnace in the amount of \$1,442.90. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- Future agenda items & Upcoming meetings: Monthly Board Meeting:
  - Monday, March 9th, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.
  - Public Hearing – March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – Jordan Bauer
- Adjournment: Motion by Chairperson Nickel to adjourn; seconded by Supervisor I Stearns; motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Submitted by C. McCoy, Town Clerk