Minutes - TOWN OF RED CEDAR

The monthly Town Board meeting was held at the Red Cedar Town Hall, E6591 627th Avenue, Menomonie, WI on Monday, October 12, 2026.

1. Call to order/roll call. At 6:03 p.m., the Chairman, Bob Cook, called the meeting to order. Present were Supervisor 1, Erik Hendrickson; Supervisor 2, Dennis Gotlibson; Supervisor 3, Tom Ceglieski; and Supervisor 4, Nick Berends. The Clerk, Cheryl Miller, and the Treasurer, Deb Gotlibson, were also present.
2. Minutes. *Motion by Erik Hendrickson to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2026 town board meeting; motion seconded by Tom Ceglieski. None opposed.* MC
3. Public Comments (agenda items only). None.
4. Financials. *Motion by Nick Berends to approve the prior month's Treasurer's Report and current month's claims; motion seconded by Erik Hendrickson. None opposed.* MC
5. Reports and Recommendations:
   (a) Patrolmen. A report of work completed since the last meeting was provided.
   (b) Finance Committee (budget income and expenses to date) and solid waste/recycling. The Treasurer provided information on the filed RCU grant application and 2027 newsletter progress.
   (c) Planning Commission. The Minutes of the September 28, 2026 meeting were provided, and the Planning Commission is working on data center regulations and updating the comprehensive plan.
6. Business:
   (a) Enter into 1-year contract with Steinmeyer Inspections for 2027 Contracted Building Inspection services. *Motion by Nick Berends to enter into a 1-year contract with Steinmeyer Inspections for 2027; motion seconded by Tom Ceglieski. None opposed.* MC
   (b) Employee performance/wage review prior to 2027. *Motion by Nick Berends to provide a $20.00 per month stipend to each patrolman when they start using their personal cell phones for work, as well as 3% raises (rounded up to the nearest dollar) to begin on January 1, 2027; motion seconded by Erik Hendrickson. None opposed.* MC
   (c) Review 1st draft of proposed 2027 budget line items. The line items were reviewed. *No action taken.*
   (d) Road abandonment in Eagle Point south of 650th Avenue. *This item will be removed from future agendas.*
   (e) Updates on proposed Urban Sewer Boundary Agreement with the City of Menomonie. *This item will be removed from future agendas.*
   (f) City of Menomonie and Town of Red Cedar border roads and snow plowing plans. *This item was postponed.*
   (g) Adopt Resolution 2026-10 of Town Board Proposing to Exceed Levy Limit Via Town Meeting. *Motion by Erik Hendrickson to adopt Resolution 2026-10 of the Town Board proposing to exceed the levy limit; motion seconded by Tom Ceglieski. None opposed.* MC
   (h) Set Public Hearing on Proposed 2027 Budget, Special Town Meeting of Electors to adopt the 2026 tax levy payable in 2027, and Special Town Board Meeting to Adopt the 2027 Budget. The Budget Public Hearing was set for 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 9, 2026, with the Special Meeting of Electors to adopt the 2026 tax levy and Special Town Board Meeting to adopt the 2027 Budget to follow.
   (i) Other town issues, matters, and concerns. The town's fire call ordinance will be updated to reflect a $500.00 flat fee for fire calls. A driveway in Timber Valley will be fixed this fall due to plow damage last winter.

7. Communications:
   (a) Correspondence and announcements. There is a virtual Town Law Conference on October 30th. The final population for the town is 2,460.
   (b) Upcoming agenda items. Postponed items.
8. Set Next Meeting Date. The next meeting date was set for Monday, November 9, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., or immediately following the Budget/Levy Public Hearing/Special Meetings.
9. Adjourn. *At 7:40 p.m., the Chairman adjourned the meeting without objection.*

Cheryl Miller, Clerk *October 19, 2026*