



## Town of Plum Lake

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### Town Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 beginning at 5:30 PM

#### A. Open Meeting Verification:

The meeting was duly called by Chair Postuchow with the notice posted at the Town Hall in Sayner, the US Sayner Post Office, and notice was given to the *Vilas County News-Review*, *The Lakeland Times*, WRJO, WERL, as well as posted on the Town of Plum Lake website.

#### B. Roll Call:

Chair Postuchow, Supervisor 1-Rasmussen, Supervisor 2-Eliason, Treasurer Klager, Clerk Rosewicz, and 10 guests were in attendance.

#### C. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

#### D. Approve Agenda to be Discussed in any order:

Supervisor Rasmussen made a motion to discuss the agenda in any order. Supervisor Eliason seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

#### E. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting(s):

Supervisor Eliason made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2025 Town Board Meeting, Supervisor Rasmussen second. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

#### F. Discussion and Action on the following:

##### A. Public Works:

##### 1. CAT-Customer Value Agreement:

Jeremy Arnold-Public Works Foreman was not in attendance, therefore there was not enough information to move on this item. Supervisor Rasmussen made a motion to Table the item, seconded by Supervisor Eliason. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

##### 2. Discussion on Town Fleet

##### a. Quote for repair of 2022 Ram 500

Jeremy Arnold-Public Works Foreman was not in attendance. A preliminary estimate from C.M. Body Shop, LLC DBA 70 West was available for discussion by the board. Chair Postuchow made a motion that repairs to the 2022 Ram 500 be completed by C.M. Body Shop, LLC DBA 70 West. Second by Supervisor Rasmussen. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

##### b. Town Fleet Updates

Jeremy Arnold-Public Works Foreman was not in attendance. Discussion regarding age of fleet and issues were shared by Public Works employee Keith

Kison. Chair Postuchow moved to table the item. Supervisor Rasmussen seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

**c. Vilas County Beaver Control Program**

Discussion regarding the need to take immediate action on flooding on Hansen Road due to what appears to be multiple beaver dams. Vilas County offers a Beaver Program that subcontracts with Mr. Jeff Everson (Noisy Creek Adventures) to remove beaver dams and clean culverts. Supervisor Rasmussen made a motion to enter into a contract with Vilas County, in addition to the town's contract with USDA to control beaver activity, at the cost of \$700. Second by Supervisor Eliason. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

Further Action: Chair Postuchow will contact Troy Schalinske at Vilas County to expedite the arrangement and schedule Mr. Everson to take care of the situation on Hansen Rd. Resident Scot Thompson and Supervisor Rasmussen will attempt to contact the adjacent landowner, Bill Hintz for permission to access his property.

**d. Vilas County Deer Removal Program**

Chair Postuchow made a motion to enter into the Vilas County 2025 Deer Removal Program at a cost of \$200 to remove deer from town roads for the time period January-December 2025. Supervisor Rasmussen seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

**3. Discussion RFP for Hanson Road**

Supervisor Rasmussen moved to table discussion of an RFP for Hanson Road until the Beaver Control issues have been resolved. Second by Supervisor Eliason. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

**B. Public Works & Public Safety Committee**

**1. Committee Mission and Objectives:**

Chair Postuchow led a discussion regarding the mission and objectives of the Public Works & Public Safety Committee, noting that she would like the meetings to be held Quarterly, be limited to 45 minutes or less, and consist of four reports, one from each branch of the committee: Fire, EMS, Public Works, Community Representatives. Committee members Deb Seeger stated that she is not clear on what her role is on the committee and may consider withdrawal from the committee. Chair Postuchow moved to table the item until the March 19, 2025 Board Meeting to allow time for creation of expectations for the committee to use as guidance for their meetings. Second by Supervisor Eliason. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

**2. Updates/Report:** Committee Member Chuck Rasmussen stated that the committee has only met one time and that other meetings are on hold until expectations are set.

**C. FFP Community Center Committee:**

**1. Blue Design Group Authorize Payment-Resolution #2025-001 Authorization to Amend Budget:**

Discussion held. Resolution was read aloud by Supervisor Eliason. Motion made by Supervisor Rasmussen to approve the Resolution #2025-001 to Amend the Budget. Seconded by Supervisor Eliason. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

**2. Application for a revolving line of credit for expenses related to the FFP Grant - Possible Resolution:**

Discussion held. Motion made by Supervisor Rasmussen to have Treasurer Klager continue to obtain information regarding the requirements and expenses related to a revolving line of credit, prepared to the point at which the Town Board can act on approval at the next town board meeting. Second by Supervisor Eliason. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

**3. Zoning and Addressing-Vilas County:**

Chair Postuchow reported that after speaking with Vilas County Zoning, it has come to light that the current Recreation Center is built on Sayner Avenue according to plat documents. The town will need to create a resolution to abandon Sayner Avenue for the portion that is between the current town hall and the recreation building leaving the east/west portion open. In addition, demolition permits for the old town garages were not applied for prior to demolition and will therefore need to be added to any future permits for the new community center. No action taken.

**4. Update/Report:** Chair Postuchow is optimistic that the FFP Grant which has been halted by President Trump's executive action will eventually be approved. Per Sally Smarzinski-DOA-"No one has received a final agreement." "You have to wait."

**D. Recreation Building/Town Hall Reservation Requests:**

**1. Recreation Building Reservation May 31, 2025: Michael Brooks**

Supervisor Eliason moved to approve the Recreation Building application for Michael Brooks on May 31, 2025. Second by Supervisor Rasmussen. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

**2. LAMBO InSayner Picnic License Permit-June 14, 2025: Michael Brooks**

Supervisor Rasmussen moved to approve the Temporary Picnic License application for LAMBO InSayner on June 14, 2025. Second by Supervisor Eliason. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

**3. LAMBO InSayner Event Request Recreation Building and Town Hall-June 14, 2025: Michael Brooks**

Supervisor Eliason moved to approve the Recreation Building and Town Hall application for LAMBO InSayner on June 14, 2025. Second by Supervisor Rasmussen. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

**E. County Ambulance Service(s):**

Discussion regarding a copy of a letter requesting the Vilas County Board create an ambulance service was received from the Town of Arbor Vitae. Chair Postuchow will draft a letter stating that the Town of Plum Lake does not currently support this option but would like to remain in conversations that may come up in the future or as they develop.

**7. Citizen Comments and Concerns;**

Citizen Dan Zellner reported that he has researched possible refurbishments to the Town of Plum Lake Holiday lighting. He reported that there are currently 16 decorations (15 in use) that he would like to update. He has reached out for private donations to cover the cost estimated at \$3,400 and is confident that 100% of that amount will be covered by those donations. Rondele Ranch would refurbish the decorations. Citizen Helen

Bryner suggested to use a winter pallet rather than a holiday color pallet so that the decorations could remain in place until road limits are put in place, when the town crew would typically begin removing them from the street posts. The topic will be added to the March Agenda for discussion and possible action.

**8. Approval of Monthly Vouchers**

Motion to approve the monthly voucher as submitted by Treasurer Klager made by Supervisor Rasmussen, seconded by Supervisor Eliason. **Motion passed unanimously (3-0)**

**9. Adjourn: 7:10 PM**

Chair Postuchow made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm. Supervisor Eliason seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)**

These minutes were taken at the Town Board Meeting of the Town of Plum Lake held on the 19th day of February 2025, and were entered in this Record Book by: J. Rosewicz, Interim Clerk