

TOWN BOARD MEETING, August 19, 2025

PRESENT: Chair Dick Green, Supervisors Eric Olson, Faith Schuck (arrived at 6:04 p.m.), Renee Gouaux, Melanie Miller, and Clerk/Treasurer Maria Hougan.

ABSENT:

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Levi Bird, representing Bike the Barns, via zoom, Abbey VanValkenburg, of Badger Challenge, via zoom. Kristin Danninger, 2531 Williams Dr.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Green called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Board listens to residents speak on any issue (three-minute time limit)
No one registered to speak during the public comment period.

Any item listed on the agenda is subject for action.

CONSENT AGENDA: *Items listed under consent agenda will be approved in one motion without discussion unless any Board member requests that an item(s) be removed for individual discussion. That item then can be considered at an appropriate time during the Board's regular order of business.*

1. Approval of minutes of the August 05, 2025 regular Town Board meeting.
2. Approval of the check register dated August 19, 2025.
3. Approval of Operator's License Applicant(s) for: *(Background check has been completed, no issues found)*
 - April R. Petersen, BP/Golden Oil/Pleasant Springs Travel Plaza
4. Approval of the return of driveway damage deposit(s) for: *(Public works inspected, no issues found, approval recommended)*
 - Jake & Emily Martin, 2596 Koshkonong Rd.
 - Brian Teigen, 2950 Tracy Ln.

Motion by Supervisor Olson, second by Sup. Gouaux, to approve the consent agenda items as listed.
Motion carried 4-0.

BUSINESS.

Discussion and possible action regarding the Bike the Barns event on Sunday, Sept, 21, 2025, from 9:00 A.M to 5:00 P.M., utilizing several town roads.

Chair Green reported out on the town roads which will be utilized by this event. Levi Bird was in attendance. The Board reviewed the event documents. Levi reported out the town will be using the town roads listed on the long route.

Levi explained there will be signage and the routes with the Badger Challenge event on the same day will not overlap. They have driven the route and did not see any type of safety issues. Further discussion followed. Levi answered questions from the Board.

Motion by Supervisor Miller, second by Sup. Olson, to approve the Bike the Barns event on Saturday, Sept. 21, 2025 starting at approximately 9:00 a.m. and ending at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action regarding the Badger Challenge event on Sunday, Sept. 21, from 9:20 A.M. to 1:15 P.M., utilizing several town roads.

Chair Green reported out on the town roads which will be utilized. Abbey VanValkenburg was in attendance. The Board reviewed the event documents. They work with the Dane County Sheriffs and stated they will be present that day to assist with crossing Highway 12, and to keep everyone safe. Additional signage will be placed along the route. She stated this is a “rules of the road” event. Abbey answered questions from the Board.

Motion by Supervisor Olson, second by Sup. Miller, to approve the Badger Challenge event on Sunday, Sept. 21, 2025 from approximately 9:20 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action regarding creating and adopting a “Slow No Wake Area” Ordinance in the Town of Pleasant Springs, along a portion of the Yahara River.

Chair Green reported out. He has been getting requests from residents for a slow no wake on Yahara Rd. in the area of River Dr. to Pleasant St. until you get out of the residential area. The fishermen are speeding through that area. DNR Warden stated the Town would need to pass an ordinance and purchase and install the buoys. A discussion followed. No action taken at this time.

Discussion of Public Works projects and duties.

Chair Green reported out. There were several trees down due to the storms, they have completed the second round of roadside mowing, they will most likely be doing a third round due to all the rain; shouldering on Rinden Rd., salt will be delivered next week, the new plow truck was picked up today, There was an incident near Oak Knoll Park where gravel was kicked up and striking a passing vehicle, chipping the paint, review of draft letter to Mayor Swadley regarding the maintenance agreement (the Board determined to send the letter to the Attorney for review, and afterwards, send the letter on to Mayor Swadley and the City Council members), reported out on the vacating of town gravel roads, Holzhter Rd. will not be vacated, and he reported out there was an opinion from the Dane Co. Surveyor which stated there should be no problem vacating the portion of Kong Rd. road and revert back to the current owners. Chair Green will contact the Towns Attorney regarding this matter.

Clerk’s report of projects and duties.

Clerk Hougan reported out the office staff have been working on AR/AP, Bank Reconciliation, meeting agenda’s, packets, minutes, organizing and purging files, selling yard waste stickers and licenses and permits, along with the day-to-day duties of the clerk/treasurer’s office.

Discussion on items to be placed on the next and / or future agenda:

- Possible Discontinuance Resolution for a portion of Kong Rd.
- Update on Spring Hill Park structure (as available)

- Other items as requested

PLAN COMMISSION REPORT (Reports will generally only be reported upon after the Plan Commission has met between Town Board meetings; unless there is additional information to report).

Supervisor Olson stated the Plan Commission did not meet.

REPORTS

Town Board Reports

Supervisor Gouaux stated the Parks Committee will meet on Monday, August 25 @ 7:00 p.m.

The Board reviewed the reports included in the packet.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed the correspondence included in the packet.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Supervisor Olson, second by Sup. Miller, to adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

Motion carried 4-1 with Supervisor Schuck abstaining due to a question regarding placement of School Bus signs on Skaalen Rd. prior to Lunde Cir.

Respectively Submitted,

Maria "Pili" Hougan
Clerk/Treasurer