

TOWN OF BARRE BOARD MEETING August 18, 2026

Board Present Don Fruit, Chair; John McGowan and Bob Miller Supervisor

STAFF PRESENT Clerk Kristin Radde, Treasurer Meri McKinney

CALL TO ORDER - Chair Don Fruit called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was properly posted on the website and at the Town Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by John for a consensus approval of last month's meeting minutes, treasurer's report, and vouchers, seconded by Bob; minutes, treasurer's reports, and vouchers approved.

Planning Commission Update – Kathy Shay sent the checklist for reviewing subdivisions to the Board for review. The planning commission has been working on the checklist during meetings. The commission has been reviewing ordinances and are looking at ordinances for other townships that may want to be incorporated in Barre including nuisances and data centers.

Road Report:

Vacating Bostwick Valley Road – Agreement has been signed by the Town and sent to the Mobile Home Park and should be returned to Barre shortly.

Jake and Alyssa Deviley on Holmgren Drive have concerns of rainwater running into their basement from the roadway. There was discussion on the recent project on Holmgren, and plans for the remainder of the project. They also have concerns about lack of grass in the area. John proposes to schedule a time to go talk to the homeowners to try to come to a solution. Don will reach out to schedule a date.

Twin Creeks Road – Mark Schomberg shares he is planning to reach out to contractors to make corrections on the road.

Don reviewed remaining road maintenance budget for the year to prioritize projects. John makes a motion to complete tree removal on Swamp Road near County M, repave over culvert replacement on W Miller Road, Patch beginning of Three Town Road, and additional ditch work on Holmgren. Bob Seconds. Motion passed.

Don reviewed the Fire Inspections Frequency Ordinance 26-2. John makes a motion to approve the ordinance. Bob seconds. Motion passed.

Don gave an update on the property on OA containing vehicles and junk. He continues to work with the county, however the planning commission is looking into nuisance ordinances.

Don shared Recent/upcoming meetings

La Crosse County, Data Center Study Committee – 8/12/2026 @ 5:00pm

La Crosse County, Data Center Study Committee – 9/9/2026 @ 5:00pm

Wisconsin Towns Association Annual Convention – Oct. 4th – 6th in Stevens Point

Local WTA Annual Picnic in the Town of Greenfield on 8/27/26.

John makes a motion to adjourn, Bob seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Radde Clerk – Town of Barre