

TOWN OF FIFIELD

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 19, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Felch called the meeting to order on August 19, 2025, at *6:00 p.m. at the Fifield Town Hall. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Present: William Felch, John Schroeder, David Ebert, Angie Richardson, Kelly Kleinschmidt, Ted Fleming, and approximately 9 public attendees.

VERIFICATION OF POSTING: Clerk verified the public postings.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Resident concerned about Employee Reimbursement. He wanted past practice of the department to be considered. The Board stated it would be discussed later in the agenda. Another resident had questions about the Policies and Procedures and the Bylaws pertaining to the Fire Department. The Board answered all the questions. There is going to be a spaghetti dinner fund raiser for the playground equipment at the Moose Jaw Resort on August 28, 2025.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES: Minutes of August 5, 2025, were presented for review and approval. Motion made by David Ebert and seconded by John Schroeder to approve. VV3-0.

CEMETERY FINANCIALS/REPORT: Financials were submitted for review and accepted. The new lawn mower is working great!

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT: Financials for the month of July were presented for review and accepted. The hiring process that was drawn up by the past Human Resource Director was reviewed. With any future hiring the steps shown in these documents for proper protocol will be followed. Documents were submitted for reimbursement of an employee for mileage from 2023. A motion was made by John Schroeder and seconded by David Ebert to reimburse the employee at the 2023 rate of \$.655 per mile. VV3-0. The Board will review the Policies and Procedures and the Bylaws in the future for any adjustments that may be necessary. There is a fall workshop in September in Rhinelander for training. The Clerk and the Board plan on attending.

FIRE DEPARTMENTS: Fire Department #1 went and looked at the new Tender and are hopeful that it may arrive by the end of the month. They have ordered the new radios that will be bought by Friends of Fifield Fire Department. They are researching replacing the air pack tanks. Fire Department #2 had invoice billings from a fire in June that will need to be reported to the insurance companies. The new Rural Rescue Vehicle still needs 4-wheel drive installed.

TOWN CREW REPORT: Riley Road project should be finishing this week. The Railroad fixed the Balsam Street crossing issue. A flat tire on the mowing tractor lost fluid and needed a new tube repaired last week which cost almost \$900.00.

ESTABLISH GRADER TRAINING TIMELINE: When work begins in September on Twin Lakes Rd will work on training. Also, this winter when plowing snow.

TRANSFER SITES REPORT: Will be looking into charging non-residents a fee for bringing recycle items to the site. It will be discussed at the next meeting.

CULVERTS ON N GATE LAKE RD WITH FOREST SERVICES: Tabled until the next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: Forward Bank marketing approved a \$15,000.00 donation to the playground equipment. A sign will be made by Signature Signs recognizing their sponsorship.

REVIEW PAID INVOICES: The Board reviewed paid invoices.

ADJOURN: Motion made by William Felch and seconded by David Ebert to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

THESE MINUTES ARE A DRAFT UNTIL APPROVAL AT THE NEXT SCHEDULED REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Richardson, Clerk/Treasurer
Kelly Kleinschmidt, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer