

*TOWN OF RUSSELL
N9138 HOLSTEIN ROAD
ELKHART LAKE WI 53020*

BOARD APPROVED MINUTES
Monday, February 2, 2026

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Willeford.

Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Agenda Posted: Yes.

Attendance:

Board members present: Chairperson Willeford, Supervisor Ausloos, Supervisor Schmahl.
Others present: Treasurer Cobble, Pete Geyer, Bill and Julie Kraus, Brett Glaeser from Ayres,
Clerk Mierzejewski.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Clerk read January minutes. Schmahl moved to approve minutes, seconded by Ausloos; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Cobble presented January report. Checkbook balance is \$369,711.04
Schmahl motioned to approve report, seconded by Ausloos; motion carried.

Monthly Bills: Clerk presented February bills totaling \$3300.66. Schmahl moved to approve bills, seconded by Ausloos; motion carried.

Public Comments: None.

Town Members/Special Topics:

- New Town Hall: Discussed Scott Kolberg's daughter cleaning the town hall and his son shoveling sidewalk snow and cutting grass. Also residents voiced concerns about the brightness of the exterior lights and expense of being on all the time versus motion detection lights. Discussed concern of circulating pump running when interior lights are on.
- Old Town Hall: Pleasantview will list property at appraised amount of \$54,500.00 with a 7% listing fee.

Monthly Correspondence and/or email:

- Clerk received Rural Insurance policy; Willeford reviewed. Policy currently for both town halls.
- WE Energies requested listing of road restrictions. Discussed this will include Sexton Road from Highway J to Sheboygan Road, Grogan Road from Highway J to Holstein Road, and Holstein Road from County H to Sheboygan Road. Clerk will complete form.

- Copy of letter Aaron Brault, Sheboygan County Planning and Conservation Department, sent to PSC Environmental Review concerning Environmental Impact Statement scoping process for Ozaukee County Distribution Interconnection Project on behalf of American Transmission Company. Letter states multiple concerns of 'alternate' route which would go through Sheboygan County and affect wetlands, forested wetlands, an additional 260 acres of new right-of-way disturbance. Sheboygan County would strongly support pursuing the proposed route due to the above concerns. Discussion held.

Building Permit: None.

Liquor/Operator Licenses: None.

Recycling Center: Geyer stated Tom Schirmer is okay with someone cutting down dead tree along driveway to recycling center.

Constable Report: Nothing to report.

Town Roads:

- ARIP: Brett Glaeser updated board that borings will be done in February. Title Search was done of properties adjacent to bridge. Meeting with the landowners, D. Hartman, J. Maurer, and M. Schuricht, will take place on February 17th to discuss right-of-way acquisition and temporary land easements. Town attorney to draw up papers. Bids for project should be posted in March.
- Resident stated 35 mph sign coming into St. Ann from east is faded. Board will get list of signs that need replacing and place order.
- Willeford will follow up on cutting trees on Sexton Road curve, south of County H. A quote was received from county for \$2200 to \$2500.

Other Town Business:

- 2025 Town Audit was performed. Treasurer's and clerk's audit matched. Board members signed documents.
- Treasurer presented list of delinquent tax payments.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Schmahl, seconded by Ausloos. Meeting adjourned 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynette Mierzejewski
Town of Russell clerk