

Town of Rockbridge

MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING

December 18, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of the Town of Rockbridge was held on Thursday, December 18, 2025, at the Rockbridge Town Hall.

1. Call to Order: Nick called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., noting it had been properly posted, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call: Doug Duhr, Nick Perna, Jeff Falk, Beth Kepler and Sharon Miller were all present, also present were Dean Berry, Scott and Becky Glass, Paul Krahn (trout unlimited), Randy Schoonover, Paul and Lola Higgins, and Victor Swenson.

3. Approve Agenda: Doug made a motion to approve the agenda and Jeff seconded. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

4. Minutes of Last Meeting: Everyone looked over the minutes. Nick moved to make a correction to the fact that the loader would be scrapped, not sold as was written in the minutes. Doug seconded. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

5. Driveway and Zoning Permits: There were no new Zoning or Building permits to discuss. There was a short discussion as to a field road off Hansbury Lane by Trout Unlimited. It was noted that by state statute, if there were to be any damage done, it would be fixed by Trout Unlimited and when the project is completed, the road can be removed. Both landowners, Higgin and Houck want the road to be left once they have put it in. It was noted that before and after pictures should be taken by both parties. The board looked over project pictures and moved by Doug to accept and seconded by Jeff. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

7. Rural Fire District Report: Scott, the fire district representative, noted that there had been a total of eleven fires for the town of Rockbridge in the year 2025.

8. Financial Report: Beth gave the financial report with an ending balance of \$211,610.18, noting that we received Shared Revenue of \$79,977.30 from the Wisconsin Department of Revenue. Scrap sale amount of \$81.55 and \$252.00

from Kalish's for Gravel repair to driveway caused by town plowing and rain wash damage. Nick moved to approve the financial report and Doug seconded. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

8. Bills: The total bills for the month came to \$53,053.98. It was noted that the Fire District Contract was due of \$18,066.42 and the first half of the Assessor contract at \$7,300.00. The motion was made by Doug to pay the bills as presented and seconded by Jeff. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

9. Items Discussion and Action:

A. Equipment: Purchase of a full-size truck was tabled for now as Jeff has not been able to find anything in the right price range.

B. Building Inspector Proposal: In 2026 we will be going with the General Engineering Company as our building Inspector for the township. Doug moved to approve and Jeff seconded the motion. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

C. Ordinance Violations: Still following up on the Linda Kalish concerns from the last meeting. And contact with Julie Larsen.

D. Hub-Rock Sanitary Budget Review: Dean Berry President of the Hub-Rock sanitary district presented the board with their 2026 budget. Dean said there are 77 people on the system. The board had no other questions.

E. County Update from Randy Schoonover: Randy gave an update on the County and talked about the position of the EMS and the townships.

F. Nominations of 2026-2027 Poll Workers: Nick read a list of people to be nominated as poll workers for the upcoming election term of 2026-2027. Those to be nominated: Linda Kalish, Connie Frye, Christy Duhr, Luanne Brown, Cindy Crofton, Trisha Hege, Debbie Ruskamp, Lorraine Servais, and Steve Kalish. Jeff added Angie Falk to the list. Doug moved to accept the list and Jeff seconded. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

G. Discussion of Patrolman: There was discussion of the Patrolman being on the clock and doing personal business, it was decided that there would be an official written up for this action, the first of three. He will have a first-time review on January 2nd, at 8:00 a.m., 2026. A Christmas bonus was also discussed

for Patrolmen. It was decided to not give Austin one at this time, as he had not had a review yet. It was decided to give Dave one because he had put in several years, and has been there to help train Austin, and does a good job for the township. Doug moved to give Dave a Christmas bonus of \$200.00 and Jeff seconded. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

G. Citizen Comments/Old Business/New Business: Victor Swenson questioned the closing of Brewer Lane and expressed his concern for doing that.

11. Set Next Monthly Meeting: The next month town board meeting will be held January 15, 2026, at 6:00 pm.

13: Adjournment: Nick moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm and Doug seconded. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

Sharon Miller, Clerk