

Town of Rock Elm

Elmwood, Pierce County, Wisconsin

Town Board Meeting MINUTES Tuesday, September 8, 2026

Meeting called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Chairman Tim Bates.

Others present: Matt Holcomb, Supervisor; Adam Carson, Supervisor; Dave Bechel, Patrolman; Dawn Churchill, Clerk; Pam Reitz, Treasurer; and 1 resident.

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Adam Carson, second by Matt Holcomb, motion carried.

Minutes from previous meeting

Minutes from the August 18, 2026, meeting were read.

Motion to approve with one correction made by Adam Carson, second by Matt Holcomb, motion carried.

Financial Report

Dawn gave the financial report. Balance at the end of the month before bills are paid was \$348,610.76; this includes the deposit of \$132,166.39 from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands for the tractor and mower. This month's bills presented, and again discussed holding payment to Cedar Corp indefinitely. Total of bills to pay amended to \$35,287.33. There is no expected income in September.

Motion made to pay bills as discussed made by Adam Carson, second by Matt Holcomb, motion carried.

Tractor and mower

- **New equipment status**
The tractor has yet to be shipped, but the mower and tractor accessories are in.
- **Sale of old equipment**
This will happen when all equipment has arrived and is inspected.

Shop door replacement update

The closer, handle, and frame appear to be in good shape and should not need to be replaced, therefore bringing the cost down. No definite cost at this time, so motion made to table until the October meeting.

Solar Farm Ordinance

Board members reviewed the information presented at the last meeting and due to the amount of information and possible changes, it was decided to have a separate meeting to address these. Date set for September 30, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the town shop.

Highway report

Presented by Dave Bechel, Patrolman

- Been grading roads, as we finally got some moisture.
- Been working on 570th Ave. It has been rocked and is ready for final grade from Pierce County Highway Department. They were there today (09/08/26) working.
- 08/27/26 Tim and Dave met with the surveyor on 510th Ave. on right-of-way concerns. The well is not in the town right-of-way. Resident was told that the final piping cannot go through the easement.

- Culvert pipe and end walls for 130th Street with delivery is \$1,340.

Discussion about 130th and 170th projects and cost.

Motion made by Adam Carson to use Elbe's to do the projects on 130th and 170th if time and labor are not paid until after January 1, 2027, and if the culvert can be done within the timeline for Pierce County to do the blacktopping. Second by Matt Holcomb, motion carried.

- **ARIP project update**

There has been no movement yet

- **Bridge petition for 190th status**

This has not yet been obtained. It will be brought back at the October meeting

Public Input

There has been an issue with excessive barking dogs and is there anything that can be done? As long as the dogs aren't on your property, there is not much that can be done.

Tim commented that Fetzer's have been asked to stay off town roads when possible.

Correspondence

Reviewed

Set date and time for next monthly board meeting

The next meeting will be October 13, 2026, at 8:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Tim Bates, second by Matt Holcomb, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Churchill, Clerk

Approved 10/13/26