

August 19, 2025 6:30 PM

Town of Brazeau Regular Board Meeting

Town of Brazeau Hall, 10892 Parkway Road, Pound, WI 54161



APPROVED

i. Call to Order

Chairman Wendt called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ii. Roll Call

Present: J. Fetterly, R. Wendt, R. Nasgovitz, C. Kasten

Absent: R. Gretzon

iii. Agenda Approval

Motion by Fetterly/Kasten to approve the agenda. The motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

iv. Approval of Previous Meetings Proceedings:

Motion was made by Kasten/Fetterly to approve the previous meeting minutes. The motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

v. REPORTS

Financial

The written financial report was presented by Clerk Kriescher. General Fund balance as of June 30, 2025, the balance forward was \$558,981.66. Donation Fund Savings \$481.32; Fire Department, Ambulance and Dive Account Funds are \$117,815.99, bringing a total town balance to \$737,165.41.

Ambulance

Debra Agate presented for the ambulance service. The service submitted a written report. The service has added an EMR, new driver and some other interested parties. They have used mutual aid 5 times in the last fiscal year. The service currently has 2 advanced EMT's, 1 member is in advanced EMT school and one other member is interested in becoming an advanced EMT, when those members would have their certifications, the ambulance would have 5 members on the crew that would be advanced EMT's. The ambulance has updated their policies and procedures and will bring them to the board for approval soon. They also increased their call rate from \$850 to \$1,100 and the rate if the patient needs a paramedic intercept the charge will be \$1,300.

Fire Department

John Fetterly presented the fire department report. The fire department had 5 calls with 2 being accidents, a smoke alarm company that asked if the department could check the property and a large structure fire by Kelly Lake, which they used mutual aid and the property was a total loss. The insurance company that insured the property requested a fire inspection, John and the state fire inspector spent 3 hours assessing the situation and found no foul play. The fire department received a donation from the Legacy First Realty Company. The department also voted Brandon Peronto and Roger Cruz as permanent member and the board will be voting on them at next month's board meeting.

Dive Team

Keith Scray presented the report for the dive team. The dive team had no calls and they have a meeting and a dive planned for Wednesday.

Highway Department

The highway department submitted a written report which stated they have been mowing ditches, grass, grading, brush cutting north of Old 64, fixed the ditch mower, filled pot holes, finished repairing roof on the pavilion at Memorial Field, and finished adding gravel to James Way.

Public Comment

John Kneibel from the White Potato Lake District gave an update on milfoil harvesting, raking the lagoon and completing surveys on the west end of the lake. Supervisor Nasgovitz questioned how the county bills and if they separate it out by road and the clerk stated they do, but we have not received a bill for the work done this year yet. Nasgovitz stated the paver was getting stuck on Lee Lake Rd and Tom Post Rd was made wider.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Plan Commission

M Luebke stated there was an application for a conditional use permit for Todd Yancy. Todd wants to move a structure from the Townsend Flowage to his property in the town. Mike stated the building is very solid and a stick-built structure, but because it was built over 15 years ago Todd needs a conditional use permit. The building is 19 years old and Luebke did go and look at it and stated the structure is in very good shape. Mr. Yancy has talked to a moving company who will take it off the current cement slab and will place it on his property in the Town of Brazeau. Supervisor Nasgovitz asked if the building would fall apart during transport who is responsible and it was stated the moving company would have to carry insurance for that. Motion was made to approve the conditional use permit for Todd Yancy. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

2. Approval of John Kneibel as a Brazeau Sanitary District Board Member and Oath

Jeff Elrick stated that John Kneibel was interested in filling the vacant position on the Brazeau Sanitary District Board, this would be a 2-year term. Motion was made by Fetterly/Nasgovitz to approve John Kneibel for the Brazeau Sanitary District Board. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0 John Kneibel then took his oath of office.

3. Approval for Hall Usage in Fall and Spring for Exercise Classes and Cost-Pam Duddek

Motion was made by Nasgovitz/Kasten to approve the hall facility usage agreement for exercise classed in fall and spring at the price of \$50 for both sessions. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

4. Approve Siren Contract

Motion was made by Kasten/Fetterly to approve a 5 year contract for the siren. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

5. Library Board

The town has 2 unfilled seats on the Suring Library Board and Jean Grosse has been trying to fill them. Jean has been successful in trying to fill 1 of the seats, Nancy Stegman is interested. Motion was made to approve Nancy Stegman as a library board member. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

6. Draft Contract for Fire Department with the Town of Beaver

Town of Brazeau and Pound Fire have an agreement to provide fire services to the Town of Beaver, at the end of this year the contract is expiring. John Fetterly sat down with Pound fire members and presented the board with a new agreement and a new pay rate schedule. The agreement would be effective for 5 years commencing on January 1, 2026 and expiring December 31, 2030. The agreement for the years of 2027 and 2027 the Town of Beaver would pay \$8,000 to the town of Brazeau plus 50% of their 2% dues and \$8,000 to the Village of Pound plus 50% of their fire dues, for the years of 2028, 2029 and 2030 they would agree to pay both Town of Brazeau and Village of Pound \$8,500 plus 50% of their 2% dues to each fire department. Motion was made by Kasten/Nasgovitz to approve the new agreement and pay rate schedule. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0 John Fetterly will be attending the Town of Beaver board meeting later this month to present them with the agreement.

7. Possible New Fire Charges

Motion was made by Nasgovitz/Kasten to approve the new Pay rate schedule for the fire department for the Town of Brazeau. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

8. Road Projects-Kapalin Lane-Crack Filling-Line Painting-Construction

Discussion was about crack filling on Lentz Road with the Town of Pound, Curt Tisler was present for Pound and stated they are not looking at doing anything with Lentz Road at this time. Line Painting with Town of Beaver was discussed, Pete Schwenke was on Zoom and stated he talked to the Town of Beaver and it would cost the Town of Brazeau approximately \$6,720 to do 5.6 miles of line painting. Supervisor Nasgovitz asked about James Way and where that cost was coming from, Clerk Kriescher stated Highway Construction, he also spoke about fixing S Popple Ln and Westwind Dr.

which the board had quotes of \$67,875 to fix both roads, the board decided to put that out for bids later. Motion was made by Fetterly/Kasten to approve the line painting with the Town of Beaver on Parkway Rd. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

9. Possible Electrical Work at the Town Hall

Motion was made by Fetterly/Kasten to approve RussElectric to install 12 LED light panels in ceiling grid and to control lighting from 3 existing switches for lower or higher lighting and to use our capital credits from Oconto Electric to offset some of the cost. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

10. Closed Session

Motion was made by Kasten/Fetterly to approve entering closed session. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

11. Reconvene Into Open Session

Motion was made by Kasten/Fetterly to reconvene into open session. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

12. Possible Action

Motion was made by Fetterly/Nasgovitz to approve the resignation of Brooke Kriescher as full-time clerk/treasurer and appoint her as Deputy clerk/treasurer and to post the full-time position immediately. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0 Motion was also made by Nasgovitz/Kasten to accept the resignation from Autumn Mansfield as our part time EMT. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

13. Accept Resignations

No motion needed seeing the resignations were accepted under possible action.

14. Updates on the Ambulance Service

Many residents were present to hear about the updates on the ambulance service. Chair Wendt started off by saying the town would always have EMS services, that is required by state law. Members of the Town of Brazeau ambulance and Coleman Rescue were present and discussed many things from staffing, coverage, and what the Town of Brazeau currently pays their members. Coleman Rescue did give Town of Brazeau a price on how much it would cost to cover the area, which is figured out with a formula to be fair to every municipality. Residents voiced their opinions and concerns about response time and conflicts within the department, after more discussion it was decided to have the Town of Brazeau ambulance service meet with the Coleman Rescue to discuss possibly working together. The town will hold a special board meeting on September 4, 2025 at 6:30 pm to discuss what the outcome of that meeting is.

15. Ambulance Contracts with the Town of Bagley and Town of Beaver

Table this item until a later date.

16. Possible Addition of Overhead Door Windows at 12128 Parkway Rd

Table this item until a later date.

17. Approving Probationary Ambulance Members

Motion was made by Nasgovitz/Fetterly to approve Ted Darga and Roger Cruz as a regular rescue squad member. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

18. S White Potato Lake Drainage Issues

Russell Nowak owns property in the site of drainage issues on S White Potato Lake Rd, he was asking if the town would work with him to put in a storm sewer to try and solve this issue. Russell stated he would work with the town to try and get something figured out, he took paperwork from the town about the drainage study that the town had done years ago and will come back to the board at a later date. No motion needed just discussion.

19. Speed Study

No discussion had.

20. Budget and Possible Amendment

Motion was made by Fetterly/Kasten to approve the budget amendment. Motion was voted on and carried 4-0 with Roll Call vote taken with all 4 voting yes. The amendment would increase revenue 113-48500 Donations by \$2000 and 113-48440 Insurance Recoveries by \$2329, increasing expenditure 120-52200 Fire Dept by \$2000 and 120-52300 Rescue Squad by \$2329; decrease expenditure 118-51400 Clerk by \$1757 and increase expenditures 118-51400 office by \$600, 120-52900 Other Public Safety by \$657 and 126-55200 Parks by \$500.

vi. August 2025 Wage and General Vouchers

Motion was made by Kasten/Fetterly to approve the August 2025 wage and general vouchers.

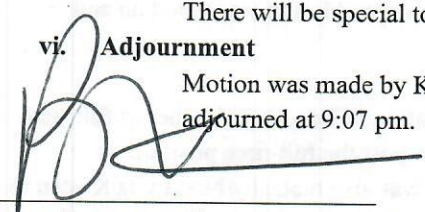
Motion was voted on and carried, 4-0

ix. Set Next Meeting

There will be special town board meeting scheduled for September 4, 20205 at 6:30 pm.

vi. Adjournment

Motion was made by Kasten/Fetterly to adjourn. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0 Meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.



Brooke Kriescher, Town Clerk/Treasurer