

TILDEN TOWN BOARD MINUTES

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

6:00 PM

Tilden Town Hall, 10790 100th Avenue, Chippewa Falls WI 54729

Meeting called to order beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00pm

Roll call/quorum - Gary Meinen, Dan Reischel, and Eric Bohl all present. Representative from GFL, John Mickesh, and 4 townspeople were also present.

Verification of public notices by Town Board - Front of Town Hall & Website

Approve the Town Board Minutes of: **May 13, 2026**. Eric Bohl made a motion to approve the minutes from May 13, 2026, Dan Reischel seconded. Only ayes heard.

Reports:

- **Treasurer's Report** – Shelley Schemenauer gave the treasurer's report
- **Fire Department Report** – Kelsey Anderson gave the fire department report, there have been a couple of EMS calls, but fire calls were quiet. The fire department is purchasing some new equipment including: 2 new pressurized fire extinguishers, thermal imaging camera(s) - one for the fire engine \$3500 and one for in the field \$1400 and turn out gear. The Ladies Auxiliary is contributing funds.
- **Highway Department/Shop Maintenance Report** – Dave Goettl gave the highway report. No issues with equipment. Dave completed blade patching and spread 6 loads of gravel over needed culverts and low spots, will grade again after the rain. A few trees down over roads after the 6/10 morning storm. 90th St to C and 120th will need attention for brushing next year. Burned at the brush site twice this past month. Nicole will add the following verbiage to the website "Brush should not exceed 6" in diameter, no stumps. If you have larger brush – please contact Dave Goettl before disposing." Dave will contact Gene's Heating and Cooling regarding the tripped breaker in the shop. Grading of 105th St will start the beginning of next week with paving beginning on the June 18th. Dan will notify the residents on 105th St of road closure. Nicole will post of the expected closure on the website.
- **Recycling Center Report** – Al Goettl gave the recycling center report, he said everything is running smoothly.
- **Constable's Dog Report** – Tim Swoboda gave the constable report stating that overdue dog license holders have been contacted and reminded to register their dog(s) and pay the associated fee(s).
- **Clerk's report** - Nicole Ruf gave the clerk's report
 - 3 permits issued – (1) Driveway, (3) Building – Corn Mills, Storage Shed, Pole Shed
 - 1 Hall Rental in May
 - Open Invoices: 1 totaling \$954
 - Reports filed: Maintenance of Effort (MOE), Taxation District Exemption Form (PC-226), Official Municipal Contact Information Form, CT Report Update
 - Publications: Culvert Bids 5/28, Alcohol License Renewals 5/28, 5/30, & 6/2
 - July Meeting Date: July 8th to July 15th at 6:00pm
 - Clerk's report is reconciled with the Treasurer's Report

Discussion and possible action:

1. **Open Culvert Bids for 70th St** – Gary Meinen made a motion to accept Chippewa County's \$8680 bid, Eric Bohl seconded. Only ayes heard.
2. **CSM for Carol Steinmetz** – Dan Reischel made a motion to approve the CSM for Carol Steinmetz, Gary Meinen seconded. Only ayes heard.
3. **Garbage/Recycling contract and Re-Bid** - Current GFL contract for the Town Hall expires September of 2027. Troy Bauer, GFL representative discussed current contract and agreed to lock in a set percentage rate vs. variable for the environmental and fuel surcharges for the duration of the contract.
4. **Adopt the Plan Commission's Recommendations for Chapter 2 Penalty Ordinance & Chapter 14 Dog Ordinance** – Gary Meinen made a motion to accept and adopt the recommendations for Ordinances Chapter 2 & Chapter 14, Dan Reischel seconded. Only ayes heard.

5. **US 53 Road Improvement Proposal** – The next phase of HWY 53 from County Road B to WI-64 is set to being in 2032. If funds become available, road work could begin in 2028.
6. **Resolutions for Appointed Clerk Structure and Salary Establishment** – Eric Bohl made a motion to adopt Resolution 2026-1 to implement an appointed Clerk position and Resolution 2026-2 to establish an annual salary of \$45,000 with an effective date of July 1, 2026, Gary Meinen seconded. Only ayes heard.
7. **Pay for Fire Secretary Position & Firefighters/EMS** – Gary Meinen made a motion to pay the Fire Department Secretary a \$200 bonus at year end, Dan Reischel seconded. Only ayes heard, Gary Meinen made a motion to increase the pay for Firefighters & EMS to \$17/Hour/Call, \$12/Meeting and \$22/Training, Eric Bohl seconded. Only ayes heard.
8. **Amend/Approve/Sign the Emergency Operation Plan for 2026** – No changes were recommended. Gary Meinen, Dan Reischel, and Eric Bohl approved and signed the Emergency Operation Plan.
9. **Approve the hiring of Kameron Buckli for the Recycling/Garbage Center** – Gary Meinen made a motion to approve the hiring of Kameron Buckli, Dan Reischel seconded. Only ayes heard.
10. **Approve Alcohol Beverage Licenses:** Baier's Bar Inc-Jerrod Hilger, agent; Bresina's Hometown Bar and Grill-Brad Lauer, agent; Dougies Bar & Grill-Doug Bresina, agent; Horizon's Bar & Grill-Brandalee Sikora, agent, Ranch Brand Meat Company-Steven J Rooney, agent; Shady Pine Bar & Grill-Randall Swoboda, agent – Dan Reischel made a motion to approve the above-mentioned Alcohol Beverage Licenses, Gary Meinen seconded. Only ayes heard.
11. **Approve Bartender Licenses:** Amy M Hilger, Jerrod F Hilger, Morgan M Hilger, Seth D Eder, Bradley Lauer, Julia R Alger, Brandon S Ash, Karmen R Hall, Ethan RJ Kiffmeyer, Hope L Krista, *Violet M Morren, Kristin N Schmit, Douglas D Bresina, Dayton R Bowe, Kyle J Hable, Melissa R Hass-Goettl, Max D Klinger, Krista L Koenig, Katie M Michels, Brooke M Nelson, Jean M Petska, *Sidney A Rice, Larry A Schemenauer, Kartrina M Siverling, Melissa J Stoll, Brandalee J Sikora, Julie J Amundson, *Charlize A Martin, Chad J Sikora, Tammy J Swoboda, Charlotte Antczak, Steven J Rooney, Connie Kay Lewis, *Rusty W Sammon, Randall E Swoboda, Vernon L Bowe, Lori C Brown, Melinda Kay Derks, Christina Rae Grasley, Nikki L Kloss, Lori B Nielsen, Michelle J Radke, Barbara E Schemenauer, Larissa J Wilson – Eric Bohl made a motion to approve the above mentioned Operator's Licenses, Gary Meinen seconded. Only ayes heard.
12. **Ambulance Service** – add to next month's agenda
13. **Bridge Inspections** – add to next month's agenda
14. **Public Comment** – no public comment
15. **Items to be placed on the upcoming agenda**
 - a. Ambulance Service
 - b. Bridge Inspections
 - c. Tax Levy Limit timeline
16. **Approve the vouchers and transfer funds to pay the bills** – Gary Meinen made a motion to approve the vouchers and transfer \$22,500 to pay the bills, Eric Bohl seconded. Only ayes heard.

Reminders and Upcoming Meetings:

Town Board Meeting – July 15th, at 6:00pm
Primary Election – August 11, 2026

Adjournment: Eric Bohl made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Gary Meinen seconded. Only ayes heard.
Meeting adjourned at 8:21pm

Posted by Nicole Ruf, Clerk on June 12, 2026

Locations posted: Front of Tilden Town Hall, Town of Tilden Website