

**TOWN OF FIFIELD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Felch called the meeting to order on February 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Fifield Town Hall. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Present: William Felch, John Schroeder, David Ebert, Angie Richardson, Ted Fleming, and approximately 7 public attendees.

VERIFICATION OF POSTING: Clerk verified the public postings.

PUBLIC COMMENT: A local resident that is on the committee for the upcoming annual Fifield Picnic celebrating the Town of Fifield 150 years asked for a donation to help cover the many costs involved. Town Supervisor Schroeder made a motion and Supervisor Ebert seconded a donation of \$2500 to help with the celebration. VV 3-0. This year's celebration is scheduled to be a 2-day event on Friday, July 10th and Saturday, July 11th, 2026.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES: Minutes of February 3, 2026, were presented for review and approval. Motion made by David Ebert and seconded by John Schroeder to approve. VV 3-0.

CEMETERY FINANCIALS/REPORT: Financials were submitted for review. There was discussion on the cost of repairing or replacing a lawn mower.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT: A temporary alcohol beverage license for the upcoming Cornhole Tournament to be held on March 7, 2026, at the Fifield Fire Department was presented for approval. A motion was made by John Schroeder and seconded by David Ebert to approve. VV 3-0. The clerk updated on the purchase of a new computer and ongoing WIFI issues that continue with the provider.

TOWN CREW REPORT: Crew Supervisor reported on continued winter maintenance. Weight Limit Exceptions will be posted at the same time Price County Highway Department, which is how it has been done in the past.

TRANSFER SITES REPORT: Everything is good at both sites.

FIRE DEPARTMENTS: Both departments reported on the number of calls they responded to for the month. Fire Department #1 is in the process of checking the cost to upgrade the chassis on the brush truck.

INNOVATION GRANT APPLICATION: Supervisor Ebert updated who was eligible, for what services, and the necessary requirements. After hearing this information, it was determined that the Town of Fifield wouldn't qualify.

2026 BEAVER AGREEMENT: The 2026 agreement was presented and signed by Chairman Felch. A copy of the signed document was sent to Department of Agriculture.

CORRESPONDENCE: Supervisor Ebert reported a phone call he received from the U.S. Forestry pertaining to replacements of bridges and culverts in the area.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercise responsibility. Motion made by John Schroeder and seconded by David Ebert to move into closed session at 6:40 p.m. VV 3-0.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION: Motion made by William Felch and seconded by David Ebert to reconvene into open session at 7:12 p.m. VV 3-0.

ADJOURN: Motion made by David Ebert and seconded by John Schroeder to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

THESE MINUTES ARE A DRAFT UNTIL APPROVAL AT THE NEXT SCHEDULED REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Richardson, Clerk/Treasurer
Kelly Kleinschmidt, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer