

**Proceedings of the Town of Pine Lake Board Meeting held on October 15, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., in the Pine Lake Community Building, Fire Department Meeting Room #1, 4197 River Road.**

Notice of meeting was posted in two (2) locations within the Town of Pine Lake and on the town website at [www.townofpinelake.com](http://www.townofpinelake.com) according to Wisconsin Statutes.

Present: Chairman Jim Flory, Supervisors Tim Oestreich, Brian Gehrig, Jennifer Cordy, Ron Lueneburg, Treasurer Cory Hoffmann and Clerk Cindy Skinner.

Chairman Jim Flory called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Motion by Ron Lueneburg to approve the agenda and the chairman to move items as needed, second by Brian Gehrig. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Ron Lueneburg to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2025, Town Board Meeting, second by Jim Flory. Motion carried by voice vote.

Library Report. Pam Winchell reported that in September Pine Lake's number was 1,152. Attendance has increased. The main materials supplier for libraries will be closing at the end of the year. Other suppliers including Amazon will have to be found. The 2026 budget request was presented to the Oneida County Executive Committee. The addition to the library will now be done in phases beginning with the front entries. A new library board president has not been elected yet. Request for 2026 library budget to the district partners was reviewed. Motion by Jen Cordy to approve the amount to be paid by Pine Lake of \$125,067.91, second by Brian Gehrig. Motion carried by voice vote. A letter will be sent to the library.

County Board Supervisor report. Diana Harris not present.

Constable Report. Jake Nitzel reported that Camp Tesomas had hosted a major bike race over the weekend and no one in the town had been notified – more information in Fire Dept. report. He received calls/complaints about the properties on Little Pine Acres Rd and Bass Lake Loop that had been contacted by the county regarding junk. Barking dogs on Moonlite Bay Rd complaint. A third dog on dog attack on Aberdeen Road. Jake explained why the sheriff's department did not pick up the dog, which is not licensed and allowed to run the neighborhood. Neighbors are also concerned for safety of children in the area.

Citizens Concerns. None.

Wake boat control – Moen Lake Chain. Joe Pazera spoke regarding the studies that have been done to assess damage done to shallow lakes by wake boats and requested action by the town board to protect Moen Lake. A video was also presented showing displacement of lake bottoms at both 9' and 14' which came from one of the studies. Discussion about other types/sizes of boats, DNR suggestion, other municipalities with ordinances – some with good results and others in ongoing lawsuits. Enforcement is the town's biggest hurdle with no one except the county sheriff to enforce a local ordinance. Jen suggested that the town take no action at this time with the state should be regulating as well as lack of enforcement. Jim tabled issue with a future date to be determined to revisit the issue.

Financial Report. Cory Hoffmann reported – Book Balance – 8/31/2025 - \$883,698.47, Income for September - \$4,185.09, Expenses for September - \$124,173.39, Book Balance – 9/30/2025 - \$763,710.17. Peoples Checking Balance - \$272,610.00. Peoples Money Market Balance - \$491,100.17. Bank Balance 9/30/2025 - \$763,710.17.

The Public Hearing and Special Meeting of the Electors for the 2026 Levy is set for November 19, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Cindy went over the current budget after the amendments are made and the Public Safety budget is at nearly 100% used up due to the installation of the new drainfield that was a split in the cost with the town hall repairs account. Money needs to come from reserves to offset that expense and put Public Safety back out of the overage. Consensus to amend the budget next month from the General Fund reserve of \$11,000.

Motion by Jim Flory to Amend the 2025 budget Income – County Grant/Bridges \$800, Loan BCPL Spider Lake Rd \$225,000, Misc Rev \$2,926 (\$1,791 Ins. For guardrail and \$1,135 for private road signs), FD Equip Reserve \$25,000. And Expenses – Contract Road Work \$800, \$225,000 and \$1,791, New Site Address Signs \$1,135, Repairs to Fire Equipment \$25,000, second by Jen Cordy. Motion carried by voice vote.

Jim Flory appointed Jen Cordy and Ron Lueneburg to the Personnel Committee that would cover all town employees. Committee to be responsible for the work agreement and personnel evaluations.

Highway Shop Committee Report. Tim reported that the town crew is starting to put up snow fencing. Some brushing has been done on Highlander Road but not finished. The grader and mower will be moved inside for the winter and plows will be put on the patrol trucks. The dump will have the brush pushed up and ready for winter after the last open weekend in November. Pitlik & Wick started work on Spider Lake Road and will start crack filling tomorrow.

Building and Grounds Report. Brian had no report.

Fire Department Report. Brian reported that September had 43 EMS calls and 4 fire calls. The department will be receiving a DNR 50/50 grant for \$1,900. The fire department was not notified either regarding the bike race held at Camp Tesomas with over 1,000 riders. There were also families and lots of RVs/campers. A major accident on Sunday required a fly out of the patient. Brian met with the organizers to make sure that better communications with the county, the town, the fire department were in place for the event next year.

Communications. Cory received an email requesting renting the town hall for dog obedience classes for six weeks and wanted input from the board. Board will not allow the town hall to be used for that purpose.

Jim received the county comprehensive plan, copies of planning & zoning letters sent to Cory DeMeyer and Frank Dalka both on CTH C regarding not complying with previous notifications of junk issues. Property owner on Moonlite Bay Road received notification regarding not getting a permit for a pallet fence. Jim also informed the board regarding an email from the purchaser of the town patrol truck and the issue they had with the engine. And an update regarding the lawsuit over Sandy Beach Road.

Jen received an email regarding the estimate for health insurance for the town crew with a 15% increase in premiums as well as increases to deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses to the two crew members on the plan.

Cindy received final notice for the town's population this year at 2,713. A public records request regarding products purchased/used by the fire department since January 1, 2000, containing a list of chemicals. Brian Gehrig responded that the town had not used, etc., any of the items listed. A list received of tax delinquent properties from the county with the bid deadline being December 5, 2025. A findings of fact regarding the property at 4175 Moen Lake Road violations for construction permits with the appeal by property owner was denied. Another phase for Hodag Sports Club project was approved by the state. The fire department did the inspection at town shop and found no issues. Lists of town vehicles were distributed and review requested from fire department and town crew to make sure all up to date. Notice of Public Meeting by the DNR at Nicolet College, November 3<sup>rd</sup> for in person North Central Forest Regional Master Plan. "No Sale Event Venue" permits will be required for alcohol as of January 1, 2026. Municipalities are among several entities exempt from requiring them when renting town hall.

Motion by Brian Gehrig to approve the October vouchers for payment, second by Ron Lueneburg. Motion carried by voice vote.

Next town board meeting is set for November 19, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. or immediately following the Special Town Meeting of the Electors that starts at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Jim Flory to adjourn, second by Jen Cordy. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Cindy Skinner, Clerk