

TOWN OF SPRING VALLEY
Monthly Meeting
Monday May 11, 2026 at 6 PM
Orfordville Fire District Meeting Room
173 N. Wright St., Orfordville, WI

Attending: Chairman Steve Hazeltine, Supervisors Dave Brethauer, Micah Ends, Clerk Dela Ends, Treasurer Betty Anderson. Residents: Dave Hoff, Judy Albright, Colleen Seichter, Robin Mersberger, Rita Balis, Linda Olsen, Bill Hantke, Ruth Behm, James Behm, Kevin Kawula

Steve Hazeltine called the meeting to order at 6:05

Agenda Motion to approve the agenda by Dave Brethauer, Second by Micah Ends.

Motion carried 3-0

Verification The Agenda was published in the Independent Register, Posted on the town website, Bank of New Glarus,

Secretary's Report Dela Ends read the minutes from April 21, 2026 and Padfield Hearing Meeting. Motion to approve the minutes as presented by Dave Brethauer, Second by Micah Ends, Motion carried 3-0

Treasurers Report was given by Betty Anderson. Current finances were reviewed. As of April 30, 2026 the current balance was \$344,060.13 with expenses of \$31,098.43. Motion to approve the treasurer's report by Dave Brethauer, Second by Micah Ends. Motion carried 3-0

Reports

- * Supervisors Report Disaster funds Dave worked with Dwayne Jorgensen and Rock Co. Emergency Management. Dave submitted a request for disaster funds. We don't know if we will receive funding but county is hopeful.
- * Chairman's Report Brodhead Fire Meeting had new members and new mayor. Hopefully things will run more smoothly. Merger with EMS may be possible now. Relationships are greatly improved. Money is available to incorporate Fire and EMS when they decide to do so.
- * Other Reports P&Z Seichter rezone is moving forward for Non conforming A-2. Up to 2 acres rezone B-1. Dave said it should be M-1 light industrial. The other acres would be A-3. Change to ag forest for the assessor. This was first brought to the P&Z in December 2025. Needs to come to P&Z on May 26th to finalize plan.
- * T Mobile working on the tower on Bernstein Rd. Removing the propane tank and doing general maintenance.
- * WE Energy replacing two buildings with one new one. Need a variance.
- * P&Z will be rescheduled to the 26th because of Memorial Day
- * Weed commissioner report

Audience Communication. Robin Mersberger in attendance to discuss the set back issue with their building. Geraths has sent another permit. Has not responded to Kevin or Dela's questions.

Robin received the letter from the attorney. Kevin told them they can move the building or get a variance. Rock County did make a mistake in the set back. Neighbors feel that charging an additional fee for a variance is unfair.

Mersbergers want to add electric to the existing building and have applied for another permit. Neither Kevin or Dela can open the docs from GEC.

Micah said we need better checks and balances with Rock County. Steve does not like the MOA with Rock County. We also need to work with GEC to stop the confusion that has been happening.

Kevin called Graceann Toberman about the Magnolia Game Farm. No liquor licenses but they do have year round shooting but it is limited. Two people from Blonhaven came to P&Z. New CUP would be required. They want sporting clay shooting year round and a beer and wine bar.

Some issues of concern to the neighbors are shot fall, alcohol on site, shooting distances from neighboring properties. Neighbors are concerned about a loss in their quality of life. Neighbors present are opposed to the changes Blonhaven is proposing. Blonhaven can use the current CUP. Property is zoned A-1. A restaurant is not approved in the A-1 zoning and no more than 4 employees for a family farm business. Dave Hoff brought up that many road signs can't be read anymore and some are turned around or missing.

Old Business

Roads/DPW Bill from VIP to submit the bridge grant has been received. Design will probably will be a culvert.

Some work from flood damage will be done before the emergency state money is received because of safety issues. Disaster work will all be done by county which may slow down regular roadwork this summer.

We have been asked to share some roadwork with Avon that will be about \$3000 total, \$1500 split for crack fill.

Wyatt Road Asked to have the snowplow guy come look at the road to see where the turn around can be. Flood damages have slowed down this process.

Banking Proposal from the Bank of Brodhead is up to Betty to decide. She would like to make the transition. However, this will take some time. Betty likes the positive pay. She says now is a good time to begin the process. We will have accounts at both banks during the transition.

New Business

Towns Association Resolution Towns Association is lobbying the legislature to increase road funding. The resolution is to put united political pressure from the towns on the legislature.

Motion by Dave Brethauer to approve the Comprehensive and Sustainable Transportation Resolution. Second by Micah Ends. Motion carried 2-1

BOR Alternates George Bumpstead, Dane Anderson, Jim Behm

Variances and Board of Adjustment Robin Mersberger volunteered

Future Agenda Items Variance, Board of Adjustment, Wyatt Road, Rock County MOA legal opinion, roads DPW, ATV Club Agreement

Payment of Bills Motion to pay the bills of \$33,375.01 by Dave Brethauer, Second Micah Ends. Motion carried 3-0

Adjournment 8 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Dela Ends, Clerk

