

Regular Town Board Meeting
March 09, 2026
7:00 p.m.
Lakewood Administrative Building

MEETING called to order by Mike M. at 7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 19.84, Wis. Stats. Notice of this meeting was posted on the noticeboard at the Administrative Building and the Town of Lakewood Website on Mar 05, 2026.

ROLL CALL: Mike Musil, Chairperson, Joanne Roy, Supervisor, Jamie Bostwick, Supervisor, Michelle Moczynski, Clerk, James Beno, Treasurer.

Twelve citizens attended the meeting.

PLEDGE TO FLAG.

Mike M. announced that the minutes reflect that there was a quorum of the Lakewood Plan Commission present at the meeting. Adrienne Bartels and Dan Muhlenbech and Roger Gieger were present.

Motion by Mike M. to open the meeting to public comments on agenda items. Seconded by Jaime B. All Ayes Motion Carried.

No Comments.

Motion by Jaime B. to approve the Agenda and the Minutes from February 09, 2026. Seconded by Joanne R. All ayes motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mike M.

- Recap on the importance of testing Radon in homes, this area has high readings, he purchased a test from Amazon, his readings were between 6 and 20 which is high. Radon is second leading cause of lung cancer, gets through cracks in the basement but can't be detected in the air. Equipment can be installed to reduce. He will continue to research.
- Lakewood was put in for a snow mobile friendly destination and won; the presentation will be March 28, 2026. Members of the Paul Bunyon Snow Mobile Club completed and submitted the application and will attend the presentation. Signs will be posted.
- He was presented with a Memorandum of Agreement for replacement of Smyth Road Bridge which has two stipulations, post in the paper for 30 days to see if someone wants to purchase and move the current bridge, if no one comes forward to purchase in two months, the Town needs to take a piece of the current bridge and make a monument that has several stipulations requirements.
- TC Energy is running a new pipeline between counties that affect Boat Landing 11 and will cross under Bucks Ranch. They will use a large piece of drilling equipment; Town responsibility would be to close the roads and issue a right of way permit. They will record the area and repair any damage to the roads. Alan M. expressed concerns about roads wrecked and current proposal to repair road this year, maybe put off until project completed. The project is projected to take a year to complete; it is a federal operation coming down from Michigan.
- He was handed a flyer for Nicolet Express Newspaper that will start out of Townsend and have a website. They will start taking ads soon. Clerk mentioned it will not be a regular publication.
- Like to set a date to hold a meeting to discuss the Recreation Grant with Jim B to decide how the Town can best use the grant and the application process. The meeting will be held on March 12 at 2:00pm.
- Would like to hold a separate meeting to open the Road Bids since April will also be the Elector Meeting. Meeting will be held on April 13, 2026, at 7:00pm.
- I received an email from Townsend requesting a meeting with their board and the ambulance board. Board members said they would be able to attend a meeting.

Jamie B.

- E-Recycling will be held on June 20, 2026 at the park. We took in over 12 tons last year. He will reach out to the other Towns for volunteers.

- Solid Waste/Recycle Center will have bulk trash tickets available to purchase only on Sundays only starting April 5, 2026. They will be sold on an exact cash-only basis.

Michelle M.

- Monthly Oconto County Sherriff's Office Report.
- Community Ambulance Service profit and loss report from February 11, 2026.
- WPS send a request for our road construction project for 2026.
- Lakes Country Library 2025 year in review.
- Minutes from the Oconto County Zoning hearing for Tyler Hundt.
- TC Energy Northwoods Project Informational letter.

REPORTS:

Library: Joanne R.: The Annual Report was approved at the February Board Meeting, summaries went out to the four towns. The parking lot will be resealed this Spring. Peggy Aerts is working with the Director to update the intern handbook and has also been designated as point person for Teen Zone that will be separate from the Children's Library. The Endowment Fund Policy will be reviewed in March. Check the library for current programs and activities.

Ambulance: Steve H.: 19 calls last month, 12 in Townsend, 7 in Lakewood. The building addition passed engineering and is at the state meeting on 11th for approval. Discussion followed regarding a report that Mike M. obtained concerning 25 calls with response time being over 25 minutes, some errors in report were noted. The audit will be completed by a company out of Crivitz and the attorney has been notified to look at some charges in the bylaws and to look at 503. There are two full-time employees retiring and another going to be half-time, Steve is going to outsource the accounting and payroll. He currently has an offer out to someone for hire and looking for new paramedics, trying to get the word out for younger people, and would prefer medic but take advanced EMT. Spoke on personal matter.

Fire Department: Eric J.: Received a phone call from Silver Cliff, as of midnight they will not be able to respond to calls due to losing insurance and asked Lakewood to handle their calls along with Athlestone. Discussion followed on how long this might last since Towns are required to provide fire and ambulance service and other legalities. Wildland gear that was paid for as part of the 50:50 grant has arrived. The training house is being tested for Asbestos. He meet with the new owners of Waubee Lake Lodge to inspect the property and seven cabins. The association received the first restitution payment from Chris Thompson. He attended several training courses and department has several coming up.

Garage: Alan B.: Still a lot of plowing and scrapping roads. The salt shed was inspected and passed, have a load of salt coming that they will be combining with sand. We received a new John Deere tractor, the two we have are 20 and 26 years old, those will be traded in. Road weight limits will be going up in next two weeks or so, discussion followed on where MJ Electric is currently working and weight limits. ATV signs are up on Hwy. 32, it is now open to ATV/UTV for the winter months only from Twin Pines to Green Acres for access to the business for the winter months, will close for use in the summer months. Solar speed signs were delivered by the Sherriff and discussion followed on where to install it on Hwy 32, The Town guys will install it.

MISCELLANEOUS ACTION ITEMS: The following items were discussed, and possible action taken.

- a. Plan Commission: **New Business:** (Item a). Discuss Resolution 2026. Mike M. reported they recommended running it by the attorney first, but they have no problem with it. Board responded that we are currently paying a lot in attorney fees. (Item b). Comprehensive Plan, clarify Smart Growth, better define development on North Road. Mike M. reported they are going to discuss when they do an annual review in April. Joanne asked if they had anything to bring forward on North Road or anything; They are collecting data. Old Business: Review Approval of SCM for Sean Kelly. (Joyce Lane). Clerk mentioned that the Commission recommended approval at a previous meeting.
- b. Consider Diane Stephan Request for Approval of Non-Conforming over 15-year-old Dwelling currently Located 7174 St. Mary's Road. Jamie B. completed the inspection and signed off.

Motion by Joanne R. to approve. Seconded by Jamie B. All ayes motion carried.

- c. Resolution 2026-004 Plan Commission Meeting Coordination and Agenda Management Policy.

Motion by Joanne R. to approve. Seconded by Jamie B. All ayes motion carried.

- d. Resolution 2026-005 Resolution Supporting a Comprehensive and Sustainable Transportation Fund Solution. Mike explained this resolution is from Wisc. Towns Assn. to find funding to maintain all state roads.

Motion by Jamie B. to approve. Seconded by Joanne R. All ayes motion carried.

- e. Class "B" Combo License for Lakewood Hospitality, LLC. dba: Waubee Lake Lodge, 18398 Waubee Park Lake, Lakewood, WI. Valerie Farmer Agent. From April 1, 2026 to June 30, 2026. New owner said it should be Lakeland Hospitality LLC, typo was found on the application and corrected. All background checks passed.

Motion by Jaime B. to approve Class B Combo license. Seconded by Joanne R. All ayes motion carried.

- f. Consider Appointing Darin Thompson as Fifth Member of The Short Term Rental Commission. Darin will be the new owner of Waubee Lake Lodge, a fifth member will break any potential ties in votes.

Motion by Joanne R. to approve Darin Thompson as fifth member of the Commission. Seconded by Jamie B. All ayes motion carried.

- g. Consider Request by Kempka Excavating to Bore Under Lake John Road to Install a Conventional Septic Across the Road for the Property Owned by Doub Dobbe Located at 18229 Lake John Rd. There is room to install a holding tank on the same side of the road, owner wants a conventional septic that means it would have to be pumped over. The road was just chipped sealed; Jamie B. is concerned there will be a dip in the road like the one in front of the Pharmacy from a lateral installed under that road. Joanne mentioned they would only be able to bore three to four feet down before hitting water. One of these was approved before on Wheeler Lake with an attorney's agreement that any future damage's would be covered by the homeowner, it could be done here also. Vote was postponed for more information.

- h. Resolution 2026-006 Initial Resolution Regarding the Discontinuance of Part of Joyce Lane. Was asked if all the agreements have been worked out for the Town turnaround. Mike M. said Mr. Kelly gave land on CSM for the turnaround.

Motion by Joanne R. to approve 2020-006. Seconded by Jamie B. All ayes motion carried.

FINANCES:

James Beno presented the March Treasurers Report.

Checking Account	\$ 103,542.23
Tax Account	\$ 564,148.24
Fire Dept. Account	\$ 3,002.00
FD/Ambulance Depreciation Account	\$ 5,904.18
Cemetery Account	\$ 500.00
Capital Improvement Account	\$ 2,277.39
Capital Improvement CD	\$ 317,636.04

Motion by Mike M. to approve the Treasurers Report and approve the vouchers. Seconded by Jamie B. All ayes motion carried.

Motion to Approve 2025 Short Term Rental Municipal Room Tax Proceeds to Area Clubs and Organizations. The distribution list in the amount of \$19,129.54 was read by the Clerk for approval. The Board asked about the last item on the list, the Lake Allocation fund; this fund is for repairs to boat launches to keep them in good shape for tourism.

Motion by Jamie B. to approve Short Term Rental distribution of funds. Seconded by Joanne R. All ayes motion carried.

Motion by Joanne R. to open the meeting to public comments on other matters. Seconded by Jaime B. All ayes motion carried.

Greg J.: Asked to repeat the amount of STR funds for distribution; \$19,129.54. Short discussion followed.

Sue B.: Thankful for what the snow mobile club is getting from STR, but why so much for pickleball. The new court was paid for by the Town in 2025 to promote more tourism, the funds are to reimburse the Town for the amount that went over budget.

Greg D.: Mike let him know that he had called WPS to find out when lines would be buried but no response from them. Greg stated that County Rd F is bad and asked if the Town was liable; The County is liable for County Rd F. Alan M. mentioned he called the County about the road, and they came out today to repair it. Greg also asked if the dump takes batteries and plastic bags; They do take batteries and plastic bags go in a container then in regular garbage.

Joanne R.: Asked Eric Johnson if the Fireman's Association has been re-established now and if it is taking members; Yes, they are taking new members. She suggested they get the information out there so they can get volunteers for the summer.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Jaime B. Seconded by Joanne R. All Ayes Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm.

Next meeting will be held on April 21, 2026. Moved to the required date of Annual Elector Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michelle Moczynski, Clerk.