

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS
TOWN OF CRESCENT
MINUTES FOR TOWN BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025
6:00 P.M., CRESCENT TOWN HALL**

Board Members Present: Grady Hartman, Chair; Jonathan Jacobson, Supervisor; Mike Pazdernik, Supervisor; Tracy Hartman, Clerk; Carla Fletcher, Treasurer.

Call to Order: Chairman Hartman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Crescent Town Hall. The meeting has been properly posted and distributed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting law and the facility is handicap accessible. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Hartman to approve the agenda. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Jacobson to approve the minutes from the Monthly Town Board Meeting of November 12, 2025. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment –

- Keven Mahner – Thanked the road crew for the work on the roads this year.

Fire Department Response 12-10-2025 on CTY K – Jacobson thanked the fire department for handling an accident on County K. Jacobson stated that the response time was very quick and around 8 members of the fire department showed up. Jacobson praised the department for this accident and other calls that have been responded to.

Innovative Public Advisors' Study of Fire Department – Jacobson reported that the final report has been received and reviewed. Jacobson stated that the proposal was revised a bit last July and the IPA honored those changes. Jacobson expressed concern on how the report represented the conflict between the Crescent fire department and the Rhinelander fire department. Jacobson gave a summary of the report and some concerns. Jacobson would like to work towards mending the fences between the Crescent Fire Department and the City of Rhinelander Fire Department and would like to better explore a study completed by the state of Wisconsin regarding the future of volunteer fire departments. Hartman stated that as the number of volunteers shrink he could see the fire district growing, however, when that will happen is unknown. Pazdernik stated that the cost of consolidating has to be considered and the limits placed on the tax levy impacts any changes that can be made to the fire department budget. Jensen stated that he requested this proposal as the City of Rhinelander proposed a fire district, however, there wasn't buy-in from a number of people and this study was supposed to look at the demographics of the town and the cost to creating a fire district.

Town Shop Improvement Discussion

- Doors and Windows
- Insulation
- Holding Tank
- Heating
- Soffit and Fascia
- Roof

- Propane Tanks

Hartman stated that there needs to be some improvements made in the current town shop in 2027 and the key difficulty is going to be organizing it and determining what should be accomplished. Hartman received a quote from Dan Bee roofing to replace the flat roof and this is budgeted for 2026. Hartman feels that all of the doors and windows are at the end of life and need to be replaced. There are gaps in the overhead doors which is impacting the ability to keep the building heated. Jacobson asked if there could be some repairs made to the doors this winter as a short-term solution. Hartman will have someone come and look at the doors. Hartman stated that something needs to be done on the exterior walls and on the ceiling to help keep the heat in and spoke with Sam Hartmann from RVI (no relation to Chair Hartman) about getting a quote on insulating the shop. Jeff Musson stated that there was a proposed second phase of the study where he would speak with contractors and bring back a proposal with projects and projected costs. Jensen asked that the board prioritize those projects that will impact the health and safety of the employees. Pazdernik stated that the building needs to be weather proofed first which starts with the roof, doors and windows, soffit and fascia. Hartman stated that if the town owns the propane tank there would be a savings due to the ability to shop around for the best price. Hartman stated that one of the two holding tanks is leaking and will need to be replaced. Discussion regarding accepting the Dan Bee quote or bidding the project out. Jacobson stated that this should be bid out and roll into gutters with downspout. Discussion regarding Musson proposal.

Appoint 2026-2027 Election Workers – Motion by Hartman to approve the 8 Election Workers listed (Carla Fletcher, Cary Stelzel, Kay Schmidt, Sue Lietz, Deborah White, Lynn Frieze, Kath Brich, Lynne Trochlil).
Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye; motion carried.

2025 Budget Line Item Transfers – Motion by Pazdenik to approve the budget transfers as presented.
Seconded by Hartman. All aye; motion carried.

Operator's License Applications – Motion by Hartman to deny the operator license for Haley Cox. Seconded by Jacobson. All aye; motion carried.

Driveway Application - None

Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Items – January 14th.

Review Correspondence – None

Approval of Vouchers/Adjourn - Motion by Jacobson to approve vouchers as submitted. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye. Motion carried.

Hartman adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Hartman
Municipal Clerk