

Town Board Meeting
February 9, 2026

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Board of Supervisors, Town of Florence met on the 9th day of February, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Florence Community Center with Chairman Jim Gehlhoff and Supervisors Tom Tuchalski and Shane McLain present.

Under communication from the floor there were residents in attendance who asked about the Rescue Squad invoicing and charges and obtaining legal opinion prior to paying the charges.

On a motion by McLain and seconded by Tuchalski a motion was made to approve the following consent agenda items:

- Approval of minutes of previous meetings held on January 19, 20 & 26, 2026
- There were no Operator Licenses to approve
- Fire Department bills totaling \$304.00 were approved for payment from February 1-9, 2026
- Monthly town bills totaling \$2,462,681.27 and automatic withdrawals in the amount of \$39,379.04 were approved for payment from January 20-31, 2026 and Monthly town bills totaling \$532,537.02 were approved for payment from February 1-9, 2026

All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Gehlhoff gave an update on selling Town property (parcel #10-1749-1) on Olive Avenue stating that the lawyers were working on the project.

The board discussed further recommendations for ISG regarding the capital improvement plan to include adding on space to the Town garage.

The board discussed an Information Sharing campaign to help with education and show the transparency and rules and regulations that govern our local Town. In the interest of sharing this information with the largest group of people possible, the information will be shared with the paper, on the website on the Facebook page. On a motion by McLain and seconded by Tuchalski it was approved to move forward with the "Did You Know" information sharing campaign. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Gehlhoff read out loud the e-mail received on 02/06/26 from Florence County EMS director, Amanda Mulvey with the invoices for 2024 & 2025. After discussing the e-mail, invoices and situation, Tuchalski made a motion, which was seconded by McLain to have attorneys look at the information and the MOA before moving forward and paying the invoices. All in favor, motion carried. Tuchalski will take the lead on gathering this information.

Under the Clerk/Treasurer's report, Klumpp reported that the board had viewed and initialed all bank statements and journal entries. She also provided the Timber Cut Notices for the board to review, and Klumpp shared that the audit had gone well. Chairman Gehlhoff encourage the other board members to talk to the auditors for next year due to the amount of information he was able to learn during that discussion.

Under Board Member concerns, Gehlhoff read a letter received from a property owner off of Forest Service 2447 Rd requesting the Town plow the road. He stated the board would look into what the requirements were regarding Federal Forest Rds.

It was moved to go into closed session by Tuchalski, and seconded by McLain to discuss conduct personnel matters pursuant to Wisconsin Statute: §19.85(1)(f) Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations. A roll call vote was taken: McLain – yes, Tuchalski – yes, Gehlhoff – yes. Motion carried. The board entered closed session at 6:35 p.m.

No action was taken after the closed session, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. until February 23, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. for the regular February board meeting at the Florence Community Center.

Submitted by:

Jessica Klumpp
Clerk/Treasurer