

TOWN OF SPRING BROOK of Dunn County

Regular Town Board Meeting

June 8, 2026

Town Board Chair John Schaefer called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. at the Spring Brook Town Hall. Also present were Supervisors Mike Hase and Jerry Hotchkiss, Treasurer Colleen Mensing, and Clerk Mary Strand.

Clerk Mary Strand verified that the agenda of the meeting was posted Friday, June 5, 2026, to the outside Town Hall posting board and to the Town's website (www.spring-brook.org).

Jerry Hotchkiss/Mike Hase moved to approve as read the minutes of the May 11, 2026 Board of Review; the May 11, 2026 Plan Commission Meeting; and the May 11, 2026 Regular Town Board Meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Citizen's Forum – Pat Cartmill spoke to invite board members to gatherings about data centers: one in Eau Claire on June 13 and the other in Knapp on June 14. Pat Cartmill also spoke about Joint Agreements for the two proposed solar projects in the Town of Spring Brook. Clerk will email both to Pat. Rick Krumire spoke about the industrial zoning or assessment of land where solar projects are proposed.

Treasurer Colleen Mensing presented the Financial Report. Both the Checking and Money Market (Savings) Accounts are at Dairy State Bank. Account information was as follows:

	<u>Checking Account</u>	<u>Money Market Account</u>
Month Begin Balance	\$122,114.35	\$223,076.28
Plus Receipts	27,283.63	469.92
Less Disbursements	- 36,777.82	- 00.00
Month End Balance	\$112,620.16	\$223,546.20

Jerry Hotchkiss/Mike Hase moved to approve the Financial Report as read. Motion carried by voice vote.

Board members reviewed the document of bills to consider for approval.

Jerry Hotchkiss/Mike Hase moved to pay the bills with Vouchers #19941 through #19967 and a bill received recently from Monarch Paving for cold mix. Motion carried by voice vote. Board members signed the report of unpaid bills. Chair, Treasurer, and Clerk will sign the checks.

Kevin Oium presented Cedar Corporation's proposal (with cost) to engineer the Town of Spring Brook's ARIP (Agricultural Roads Improvement Program) project for 810th Street. SEH (Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc.) provided an engineering proposal without cost.

There was no action taken on determining an engineer for the ARIP project of 810th Street.

Based on a Town resident's suggestion at the May 2026 Town Board Meeting, Clerk Mary Strand had reached out to Menomonie Fire Department Chief Dennis Klass and Eau Claire Fire Department Chief Matthew Jaggar and inquired of adjusting the EMS (ambulance) boundary within the Town of Spring Brook. Being no response was received at the time of this meeting, no action was taken but with interest in including this topic on the July meeting agenda.

Mike Hase/Jerry Hotchkiss moved to contract 4,000 gallons LP with ALCIVIA @ \$1.499 per gallon for the 2026-2027 heating season. No pre-payment is required, we will continue to lease two 1,000 gallon tanks at no charge, and the Town will pay upon fill-up. Motion carried by voice vote.

Updates were made to the original Land Division Ordinance #2006-01 based on recent changes through 2025 Wisconsin Act 68. The changes are mainly directed to plats.

Mike Hase/Jerry Hotchkiss moved to adopt the Revised Land Division Ordinance #2026-01 as presented. Board members and Clerk signed the signature page.

Board members talked about replacing the Town's current boom mower. Estimates for a new mower were obtained and reviewed. Neither of estimate providers was interested in a trade-in of the Town's outgoing mower; however, placing it on an auction site is an option.

Mike Hase/Jerry Hotchkiss moved to purchase a Boom Mower through Minnesota Ag Group at a cost of \$42,200. Motion carried by voice vote.

John Schaefer reported on a letter received from Wis-DOT that bridge decks and pier columns along I-94, from the Town of Hudson in St. Croix County to the Town of Millston in Jackson County, are in the design stage now for construction in 2029.

Mike Hase reported of three new firefighters with the Elk Mound Fire District, of which one lives in the Village of Elk Mound, bringing the current roster to 22. New radios will be purchased through grant monies.

Jerry Hotchkiss reported the Menomonie Rural Fire/EMS District will also be purchasing new radios and towers through grant monies. A quarterly meeting of the Elk Creek Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District is scheduled for this Wednesday, June 10.

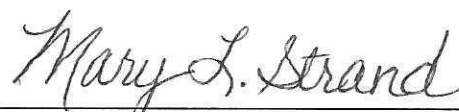
Clerk Mary Strand provided a prepared report. Also shared were the Building Inspector Report, the recent Land Transfers Reports, the Menomonie Fire Department Report for April 2026, and recent Dunn County Sanitary and Zoning Permits.

Also reviewed was an email from the School District of the Menomonie Area requesting to present at a future Town Board Meeting. The school district is requesting municipalities to include the school's information about school voucher program cost burden on the property tax bills/statements of this school district. The Town of Spring Brook has three school districts within our Town boundary: Eau Claire, Elk Mound, and Menomonie. Discussion about this request included that there is a small message portion on the tax bill where our Town and municipalities include vital information of solid waste and recycling information, dog licensing information, website information, etc., for all residents. Also, our Town includes the solid waste and recycling permit, related pamphlet, newsletter, and mill rate sheet with the tax bills.

Board members were in agreement that it was not feasible for our Town to include the specific information of the School District of the Menomonie Area on or with the tax bills/statements.

Patrolman Mitch Kreutzer reported on road damage on 430th Avenue between 890th Street and County Road H due to manure trucks. An estimate was obtained from the Dunn County Highway Department to repair the road. Board members were in agreement to proceed with Dunn County Highway making the repair and, then, billing the entity responsible for the damage. The dock for the Elk Creek Lake beach area was repaired and installed. The wing tower on the Kenworth plow/dump truck was repaired with repair to the torque arm to schedule. The windshield on the Freightliner plow/dump truck was replaced, and the power steering pump was repaired. The F-550 hit a deer recently with some damage to the front area of the truck. A claim was made with Rural Mutual Insurance. We are ready for asphalt paving when Monarch Paving Company is in our area. Ditch mowing and pot-hole filling are planned to begin. A seal coat application by Dunn County Highway is anticipated on 1001st Street near the south side of the Elk Creek Lake dam.

Jerry Hotchkiss/Mike Hase moved to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.



Mary L. Strand, Clerk