

TOWN OF SPRING BROOK of Dunn County

Regular Town Board Meeting

July 13, 2026

Town Board Chair John Schaefer called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. at the Spring Brook Town Hall. Also present were Supervisors Mike Hase and Jerry Hotchkiss, Treasurer Colleen Mensing, and Clerk Mary Strand. This meeting followed the conclusion of a Plan Commission Meeting.

Clerk Mary Strand verified that the agenda of the meeting was posted Wednesday, July 8, 2026, to the outside Town Hall posting board and to the Town's website (www.spring-brook.org).

Mike Hase/Jerry Hotchkiss moved to accept as presented the minutes of the June 8, 2026 Regular Town Board Meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Citizen's Forum – Pat Cartmill spoke regarding Joint Agreements made with the two proposed solar projects (Elk Creek Solar and Muddy Creek Solar). Also, she presented information on sound studies, noise from solar projects, and the decommissioning of solar equipment. Ms. Cartmill shared information on Data Centers and a concern that the Town of Spring Brook is not zoned.

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	\$112,620.16	\$223,546.20
Plus Receipts	19,022.52	519.36
Less Disbursements	- 69,357.24	- 00.00
Month End Balance	\$62,285.44	\$224,065.56

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

Three Land Divisions and CSMs (Certified Survey Maps) were reviewed at the Plan Commission Meeting held earlier this evening. No issues were brought forward.

Mike Hase/Jerry Hotchkiss moved to approve all three Land Divisions with CSMs of the following:

Lynden Wendt Revocable Trust – create a lot of 2.5 acres (with right-of-way) from the original parcel of approximately 33.17 acres, located on 430th Avenue, near 730th Street;

Anthony Mosel – create four lots of 1.5 acres each from two adjoining parcels of three acres each, located along 1010th Street, near County Road C.

Doane, Ltd. – retrace or correct boundary lines between a residential and agricultural parcels, ending with a residential lot of 3.58 acres (with right-of-way) and an outlot of 1.42 acres, located along County Road C and 730th Street.

Motion to approve all three Land Divisions and CSMs carried by voice vote. The Wendt CSM was signed at the meeting by the Town Chair and Clerk.

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

Jerry Hotchkiss/Mike Hase moved to approve payment of Vouchers #19968 through 20015. Motion carried by voice vote. Board members signed the report of unpaid bills. Chair, Treasurer, and Clerk will sign the checks.

There was discussion of the ARIP Grant on 810th Street and if to designate an engineer for the project. Kevin Oium of Cedar Corporation was at the June 8, 2026, Town Board Meeting with a proposal and was in attendance for this evening's meeting. The grant will finance 90% of the road project with the Town of Spring Brook to finance the remaining 10% of the road project. There may be wetland delineation near the north end of 810th Street.

Mike Hase/Jerry Hotchkiss moved to select Cedar Corporation as the engineering firm for the ARIP project on 810th Street in the Town of Spring Brook. Motion carried by voice vote. Town Chair John Schaefer signed the engineering agreement with Cedar Corporation.

No action was taken regarding the boundaries for emergency services of EMS (ambulance) as no new information or update was available.

In connection with an approved (group) Innovation Grant for emergency services, our payments submitted so far this year for Menomonie Rural EMS (ambulance) response and Rural Fire response to the Menomonie Rural Fire/EMS District were refunded to us. We will re-issue these payments to two different entities.

No action was taken on the Bridge Petition item. Culverts with a minimum of 36" in diameter are eligible. Application is due by August 31, 2026, to the Dunn County Highway Department. This item will be brought back at the August meeting.

The Partisan Primary is scheduled for Tuesday, August 11, 2026, the day after our usual Regular Meeting night. Board members were in agreement to re-schedule the August Town Board Meeting to Tuesday, August 4, 2026.

A Music Event is heard to be planned for a property along County Road C near Elk Creek. The Town has no regulations against the event and knowing that the Town of Spring Brook does not issue alcohol licensing or permitting.

Mike Hase/Jerry Hotchkiss moved to approve the purchase of an additional Badger Book (an electronic pollbook). Motion carried by voice vote.

John Schaefer reported the asphalt application projects are now complete with 790th Street being done today. The road to the south of the Elk Creek Lake dam, taken over by the Town of Spring Brook from Dunn County, is planned to be maintained by Dunn County in 2027.

Mike Hase reported the Elk Mound Fire District meets this Wednesday. Its last meeting reported 9 fire response calls and 45 year-to-date. There were 78 fire response calls in 2025. The roster includes 22 members of which 1 who lives within the Village of Elk Mound.

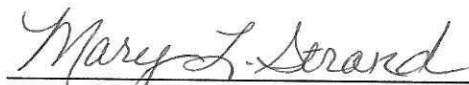
Jerry Hotchkiss reported the Elk Creek Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District has its Annual Meeting in August. A special charge is planned for lake district residents for the next two years.

Clerk Mary Strand provided a prepared report. Also shared were the Building Inspector's Report; the Menomonie Fire Department Report for May 2026; the Register of Deeds Report; and two Sanitary Permits.

Patrolman Mitch Kreutzer reported this year's paving projects are complete. The dead end roads with new asphalt have been shouldered with the final shouldering of 890th Street to be done soon. Driveways along new asphalt have received crushed rock. 790th Street was paved this morning and will need time to cure and cool prior to shouldering. Grading of roads has begun. Mowing along roads is nearly done. The boom mower that was replaced was sold on auction for \$6,000. The new boom mower is planned to be shipped in early August. The cost of new carbide blades has increased greatly. A supplier is available to purchase (and replace worn) sections of carbide blades as an option.

Cost estimates for tractor and Kenworth truck tires were reviewed. No action was taken.

Mike Hase/Jerry Hotchkiss moved to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.



Mary L. Strand, Clerk