

These are the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Bass Lake, Sawyer County held on Monday, January 12, 2026 in person and using Zoom. Members Present: Chairman Justin Hall, Supervisors Marshal Savitski, Dave Aubart, Jim Evans, Don Adams, Clerk Tammy Brown and Treasurer Laura Bruce.

Chairman Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Clerk Brown affirmed that the agenda was posted in compliance with open meetings law.

Motion by Savitski, seconded by Adams to approve the consent agenda below:

- a. Approve Agenda
- b. Review and Approve Vouchers for December 2025
- c. Minutes of the December 8, 2025 Regular Meeting

Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Zoning: Chairman Hall recognized Planning Committee Chair, Bond Sutton who presented Sawyer County Zoning Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Allowing "Apartment Complexes" within the C-1 Commercial zoning district as a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and "Bakeries" within the A-1 and A-2 Agricultural zoning districts as a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) stating he was on the Sawyer County Ad Hoc committee that looking into this originally and that committee did not want the apartment complexes in the C-1 zoning district because there was not spacing constrict. Sutton stated they recommended to deny having bakeries within the A-1 and A-2 because it would put additional stress on fire departments, health and human services and as an agricultural zoning district they do not have to meet all the requirements. Motion by Evans, seconded by Savitski to deny the proposed amendment for both sections. Motion carried.

Sutton who presented Special Use Permit – Poquette, Sara – PRT SESW; Tax ID 3906; Parcel # 002-940-32-3401; S32 T40N R09W; 9.401 acres; Zoned Agricultural Two (S-2); approval is desired for the construction of a dwelling (26'8 x 56') with basement (26'8 x 56') and attached garage (24' x 28') within an (A-2) Zone District. Motion by Savitski, seconded by Adams to approve. Motion carried.

Sutton presented CUP #26-001 - Janechek, Alan – Village of Reserve, Amended Plat Lot 1 Block 13; S05 T39N R08W; Tax ID 1749; Parcel # 002-184-13-0100; 0.920 total acres; Zoned Residential/Recreational One (RR-1) – permit is desired for a garage (30' x 40') and 32' x 42' with eaves; 20' in height. As per Sawyer County Code of Ordinances Section 4.26 (1) with automatic conditions as the request will be for an accessory structure on vacant land being granted a 3-year time frame to build primary dwelling and proposed accessory structure will be located on the same parcel. Hall stated a letter was received from Paul and Kristen Thalacker proposing conditions of approval and that the planning committee has reviewed the application and confirmed it is following the zoning ordinance. Motion by Evans, seconded by Savitski to approve. Motion carried.

Sutton presented RZN #26-005 – Winters, Matthew & Abel, Justine – Part of the W ½ of the NW ¼; Tax ID 2764; Parcel # 002-940-04-2201; S04 T40N R09W; 15.928 total acres; Zoned Residential/Recreational Two (RR-2) – permit is desired to rezone approximately 8.32 acres of that land north of Spring Lake Creek from Residential/Recreational Two (RR-2) to Industrial One (I-1) to construct a storage and distribution building with rental suites and storage/distribution area for an operational tool/truck storage and distribution for Snap-On Tool business and explained the planning committees recommendation for denial. Chairman Hall recognized John Young to speak on behalf of the application who stated he was looking at purchasing the property and explained his plans for the purchase. Chairman Hall recognized Scott Sholtz to speak who stated he resized next to this property, was opposed to the rezone and stated reasons for being against the rezone. Chairman Hall recognized Jim Gajewski who clarified some of the information given and the reason for the industrial one zone district. Chairman Hall stated he would abstain from voting as his property borders this property and explained why he was against it. Discussion followed. Motion by Savitski, seconded by Evans to deny the rezone application. Motion carried by three in favor of denying the rezone application, one against denying the rezone application and Chairman Hall abstaining from voting.

Highway: Highway Chief Truit Campbell presented the highway report stating spent most of the month clearing trees, plowing, and restocked sand.

Camping permits: Highway Chief Truit Campbell presented camping permit for Tina Sampson stating this is a renewal permit and recommended approval. Motion by Aubart, seconded by Adams to approve. Motion carried.

Driveway & Excavation permits: None

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Laura Bruce reported as of December 31, 2025 there was \$2,118,799.08 in all accounts. Motion by Savitski, seconded by Adams to approve the December Treasurer's report. Motion Carried.

Clerk's Report: Clerk Tammy Brown reported that the election inspector training will be held at Town Hall this month with two opportunities for inspectors to attend. Brown reported the 2nd edition of the election inspector newsletter, The Bass Lake Ballot, went out. Clerk Brown reported there would not be a Spring Primary election in February 2026. Brown reported she would be attending year 2 of the Clerk's Institute training through UW-Green Bay University this July.

Fire Department: Chairman Hall presented a report from the Town of Hayward Fire Department for Bass Lake and stated they are working on an inventory list and any identified items that may be needed. Hall stated there were three calls in Bass Lake. Hall stated there were four individuals that are Bass Lake residents that were given applications and two were waiting for their interviews. Hall stated there were no bids received for the insulation/vents for the fire hall and there was some funds for the fire department carried over to 2026 budget. Motion by Aubart, seconded by Evans to allow Chairman Hall and the Highway Chief to get the insulation/vents completed for the fire hall. Motion carried.

Chairman Hall stated Supervisor Savitski requested the Birkie Emergency Responders being able to use the Bass Lake UTV if needed. Supervisor Evans asked if the tracks for the UTV had been returned to the town. Chairman Hall stated Supervisor Adams was in the process of obtaining the tracks. Motion by Evans, seconded by Aubart to approve use of the Bass Lake UTV by the City of Hayward Police Department. Motion carried.

Old Business: Chairman Hall stated at last month's meeting the donation letter from the Sherman & Ruth Weiss Community Library was tabled until this meeting. Motion by Evans, seconded by Savitski, to not send a donation. Motion carried.

New Business: Chairman Hall recognized Mindy Simons with the Hayward Lakes & Visitors Convention Bureau who stated the Town of Bass Lake tourism agreement was up for renewal April 2026 and provided with the board a packet of past activities of the Hayward Lakes & Visitors Convention Bureau for tourism activities.

Chairman Hall presented Budget Resolution #01-12-2026 (A) to amend the 2025 budget. Motion by Aubart, seconded by Adams to approve budget resolution #01-12-2026 (A). Motion Carried. Clerk Brown presented Budget Resolution #01-12-2026 (B) to amend the 2026 budget. Motion by Savitski, seconded by Adams to approve budget resolution #01-12-2026 (B). Motion carried.

Public Comment

Motion by Savitski, seconded by Adams to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. Motion carried.