*DRAFT Minutes to approved BY TOWN BOARD*

Regular Town Board Meeting
Monday, October 19, 2026, 7pm
Bangor Town Hall, 4400 State Hwy 162, Bangor, WI 54614

**Minutes**

1. Chairman Don Numsen called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
   Also present were Supervisor Justin Peterson, and Clerk Louisa Peterson. Supervisor Mark Spears and Treasurer Denise Payne were excused. There were 10 guests.

   Quorum was established. Agenda posted at Town Hall and on website: townofbangor.com

2. Approval of the Agenda. MOTION Numsen/SECOND Peterson. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED (2-0)

3. Items needing Approval
   a. Approve Regular Meeting Minutes September 21, 2026, 7pm. MOTION Peterson/SECOND Numsen. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED (2-0)
   b. Approve Disbursements - Checks 4040-4052 and 2 ACH for a total of $6,763.14. MOTION Numsen/SECOND Peterson. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED (2-0)
   c. Treasurer's Report. Deposits totalled $107,836.96. There were 2 outstanding checks. Ending balance at First National Bank $370,090.26 after payments cleared for $24,439.00. Loan balance is $109,301.87. Investment at Altra Federal Credit Union CD totalled $55,926.85. Investment at First National Bank totals $55,930.09 (no activity). MOTION to approve as read: Numsen/SECOND Peterson. VOTE: MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED (2-0)

4. Reports and Correspondence
   a. Clerk Peterson read the Emplify Ambulance fact sheet for January 1 through September 30, 2026. There were 29 calls from the Town, with 20 patients transported and an average response time of 16 minutes 19 seconds. Top reasons for calls were falls, fainting and chest pain. Most patients went to La Crosse hospitals, one to Mayo Clinic in Sparta. A copy is available at Town Hall.

5. Unfinished Business
   a. 2026 Road Work Projects were discussed. Chairman Numsen reported he contacted the Ho-Chunk Nation regarding possible 2027 road funding. Road sign post work to be completed by the County Highway Dept on Kolterman Road and Kirkeng Road.

6. New Business
   a. CUP Non-Metallic Mine Application, Justin Birdd o/b/o B&B Land Development LLC, County Road J (La Crosse County After-the-Fact Conditional Use Permit No. 1310). Clerk Peterson read the County staff summary. The applicant requests an after-the-fact conditional use permit for nonmetallic mine extraction in the Exclusive Agriculture district. Work began before WDNR, zoning and Land Conservation permitting, and Land Conservation posted a stop-work order on 9/19/2026. The applicant proposes to strip and stockpile topsoil, remove sand and sandy loam to reduce slope, replace topsoil and return the land to crop production after reclamation in 3 to 5 years. Material leaving the site would be used for construction fill and site development. County staff recommend

approval. The La Crosse County Planning, Resources and Development Committee public hearing is Monday, October 26, 2026 at 6:00pm.

Applicant Justin Birdd was present. Mr. Birdd stated the project was permitted by WDNR as a borrow site and that he was advised by his engineer Svet Roussov that a County permit was not required. He stated work would proceed about one acre at a time with the land returned to agriculture, and that no material has left the site. He estimated the hill contains about 500,000 cubic yards, with an initial 100,000 yards intended for his Rockland development site, which is on hold pending County approvals. He anticipates a 5-year permit, 7 trucks and up to 80 to 100 loads per day, and stated the road would be cleaned daily per County stipulation.

Chairman Numsen noted County ordinance requires a permit to disturb more than one acre or move more than 1,000 yards, and stated the Town was earlier told the excavation was for a house site with no material leaving the site. Supervisor Peterson asked about the difference between 100,000 and 500,000 yards, soil borings, time frame, ownership and reclamation responsibility, and who would do the work. Supervisor Peterson stated concern that the Town's 2023 Comprehensive Plan showed strong support for keeping land in agriculture and did not contemplate nonmetallic mining, and about setting precedent. Resident Dale Hesselberg asked about plans for a house and the 3-year limit on the DNR permit. Resident Lisa Peters raised traffic safety at the driveway near the corner and stop sign, and damage to the recently improved road. Resident Todd Allen, who lives at the base of the hill, stated his opposition, citing truck traffic, blowing sand and the lack of water on site for dust control, and asked whether MSHA has been notified. Dates in the DNR permit documents were also discussed.

MOTION that the Town Board does not support approval of CUP No. 1310 and to so inform La Crosse County, Numsen/SECOND Peterson. VOTE: MOTION APPROVED (2-0)

b. Alcohol Licenses. Clerk Peterson reported that the Town's quota is one license per 500 residents; with a population of 633 the Town is allowed one. A reserve license could not be verified, as no 1993 publication was found. The Town's one Class B combination license is issued to Nashville North Barn & Grill, dba the Log Cabin. Clerk Peterson proposed putting this in writing to resolve the reserve license question. Chairman Numsen contacted the Wisconsin Towns Association, which indicated an ordinance may be needed. Ashley Buchner clarified a question during discussion.

c. Township Withdrawal from County Zoning. Following direction from the April annual town meeting, Clerk Peterson read draft Resolution 2026-2, Resolution of Intent to Withdraw from the La Crosse County Zoning Ordinance, pursuant to Wis. Stat. 60.62 and 59.69. The town attorney approved the resolution as written. Withdrawal is a multi-year process; the Town would adopt its own comprehensive plan, zoning ordinance and official map, administered similar to the Town of Burns. The resolution will be posted for review and considered for adoption at the November 16, 2026 regular meeting.

d. January 2027 Caucus. The caucus was set for Monday, January 18, 2027 at 6:30pm, before the regular monthly meeting at 7pm. Clerk Peterson invited anyone interested in running for Town Board to contact her.

7. Upcoming Dates

a. Fall Election - Tuesday November 3, 2026, 7am-8pm
b. Budget Hearing - Monday November 16, 2026, 6:30pm
c. Meeting of Electors Re: 2027 Budget - Monday November 16, 2026 immediately following Budget Hearing
d. Regular Monthly Meeting - Monday November 16, 2026, 7pm
e. Regular Monthly Meeting - Monday December 21, 2026, 7pm
f. Caucus - Monday January 18, 2027, 6:30pm
g. Regular Monthly Meeting - Monday January 18, 2027, 7pm

8. Public Comments - None.

9. Chairman Numsen adjourned the meeting at 8:01pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Louisa Peterson, Clerk, Town of Bangor