

MINUTES

Town of Garden Valley Board of Supervisors Meeting

Friday, August 14, 2026

9:00 a.m.

Garden Valley Town Hall

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Chairman Ronnie Casper.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Casper.
3. Roll call was taken, with all members present. Proper public posting was verified.
4. Minutes were read from the July 10, 2026 regular Town Board meeting. Motion by Tim Johnston, second by Richard Larson to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.
5. The Treasurer's report was reviewed and discussed by the Board. Motion by Richard Larson, second by Tim Johnston to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.
6. Clerk provided 2026 YTD Transaction and Budget vs Actual reports for review.
7. Clerk/Chairman Correspondence:
 - Gravel donation tracking update
 - Phishing scam notification
 - LSSIP information via email; update on Janke Rd culvert replacement
 - CLFR Emergency Response dinner notification
 - County Farm Preservation Plan update
 - WTA dues notification for budgeting
 - MOU on WisVote received from County Clerk
 - Salt Shed inspection set up
 - WISLR reminder
 - GEC Teams meeting
8. Public Comment

None
9. Patrolman's Report
 - Reviewed needs with Board via list
 - Reviewed the repair list
 - Recycling information; Board discussed different options
 - Discussed rack for storage of the plow blade cutting edges. Motion by Tim Johnston, second by Richard Larson to have a rack made for storage of the blades. Motion carried.
10. Old Business:
 - a) Chairman Casper shared that there is no recent news regarding the metallic mining issue in Garden Valley; discussion on recent Data Center news at the County Board level and how that is equally in opposition to the Garden Valley Comprehensive Plan.
 - b) Discussed under the Patrolman's Report.
 - c) The Board discussed a quick review of the recent WTA District Meeting.
 - d) No other old business discussed.

11. New Business:

- a) Discussed in the Patrolman's Report.
- b) Discussed in coordination with the Metallic Mining Update item in Old Business.
- c) Discussed in Chairman/Clerk Correspondence.
- d) Board discussed borrowing for Road Improvements/Repair as had been done in the past, as this year is the completion of the repayment of that loan. Board reviewed proposals of different amounts versus the repayment amount per year. Motion by Richard Larson, second by Tim Johnston to borrow in 2026 from Co-op Credit Union, an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00, utilizing General Obligation Debt, for Road Improvements/Repair which will occur in 2027 on Town House Road from Old Stage Road east to the Town limits (at the change of pavement). Motion carried unanimously.
- e) Discussed attendance at upcoming WTA Fall Workshops earlier under Correspondence.
- f) Chairman Casper mentioned that the WTA will be hosting some Solar and Wind educational events.
- g) No other new business discussed.

12. Bills were reviewed and approved.

13. Next regular meeting is set:

Friday, September 11, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

14. Item omitted from the agenda.

15. Motion by Richard Larson, second by Tim Johnston, to convene in closed session at 10:51 a.m. pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c) of Wisconsin Statutes, for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, regarding performance evaluation. Roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously with 3 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

Motion by Richard Larson, second by Tim Johnston to reconvene in open session. All ayes, motion carried and the meeting reconvened into open session at 11:27 a.m.

16. Motion by Richard Larson, second by Tim Johnston to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ann Klieforth, Clerk