

Village of Boaz
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 14, 2026
Boaz Community Building
6:00 p.m.

Present: President Jean Nicks, Trustee Judy Adrian, Trustee Kathy Hansen

Absent: N/A

Others: Kaela Townsend (Clerk/Treasurer), Susie Hauri (Deputy Clerk/Treasurer), John Jansen (resident), Carson Hackett (Davy Engineering)

President Nicks called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She noted that the meeting had been posted at the Boaz Community Building and online at <https://boazwi.gov/meetings>. Proper notice to news media (*The Richland Observer* and *The Sunlight Report*) had been given.

Trustee Hansen made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Trustee Adrian. Motion carried.

Trustee Adrian made a motion to approve the March regular meeting minutes; seconded by Trustee Hansen. Motion carried.

Carson Hackett of Davy Engineering spoke about the Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) permit. Hackett stated we have the same discharge limit as the last permit but stated in the future the limit will be lowered. He stressed the importance of finding more Water Quality Trading (WQT) Projects to make sure that the Village meets permit compliance of a 2:1 trade ratio. Hackett also mentioned that the DNR has loans for the designing and completion of the WQT projects at an interest rate of approximately 1.4% for 20 years. There is a couple more landowners that are interested in WQT projects.

The Boaz Saddle Club requested to schedule 11 Gymkhana horse shows. After reviewing the required paperwork, Trustee Hansen made a motion to approve the Boaz Saddle Club for 11 Gymkhana horse shows; seconded by Trustee Adrian. Motion carried.

After reviewing the required paperwork, background checks and Certificate of Insurance for liquor liability; Trustee Adrian made a motion to approve the Boaz Saddle Club for Temporary Alcohol Beverage Licenses for their Gymkhana horse shows; seconded by Trustee Hansen. Motion carried.

Public comment was made from John Jansen about burning the ditches and is willing to help. Clerk/Treasurer Townsend passed along a message from Melinda Jones stating she is unsure they will be able to have their property cleaned up by the May Clean-up, as was discussed at January 13, 2026 regular meeting.

The Board acknowledged a very generous donation from Barb Burns for American Flags on the Highway 171 bridge.

Boaz Sewer Utility repairs – Current inventory: new-style pumps – 0 new, 1 rebuilt, 2 at ASI to be repaired; alarm boxes – 2 new; cables – 2 new (have wrong ends). President Nicks ordered more receptacle connectors, and she will find out when and where they will be/were delivered. The Board is still working with maintenance to have a consistent inventory list from here on out. A new pump was put into Station #8 (Anderson, Hoth, Jones Rentals) on 3/19/26. A new pump was put into Station #22 (Jansen Rentals) on 4/4/26. Both pumps will be taken to ASI for repairs.

Trustee Hansen will follow up with Cody Sidie on the status of the fence repair at the sewer ponds.

Park maintenance list – items completed: . Items needed: trench for drainage by ball diamond, remove remainder of old climbing playground equipment, small picnic table in the shelter by the ball diamond will be dismantled in the spring and replaced with a bench in memory of Robert Drogsvold. Cameras need installed when weather warms up. A couple Picnic tables are in need of repair and all need to be numbered. President Nicks and Trustee Hansen will cover the exposed concrete at the bottom of one of the playground slides.

Village maintenance list – items completed: . Items needed: 911 sign installations, decals needed for the Village pickup truck.

Community Building maintenance list – new curtains.

Clerk/Treasurer emailed Michael Reuter of Wisconsin Municipal Building Inspections for confirmation that the certified letters were mailed concerning the dilapidated dwelling on Main Street. She has not received a reply. President Nicks will call Reuter.

Clerk/Treasurer Townsend emailed GEC out of Portage sent a final contract for the Unified Dwelling Code Inspector for Boaz and is waiting for a reply.

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Hauri sent an email message to the Village attorney about creating a driveway ordinance November 7, 2025 and is waiting for a reply.

President Nicks stated they would still like to burn the stream banks; just waiting for weather to cooperate. John Jansen offered to help.

Dumpsters have been ordered and confirmed from L&M Salvage and Republic Services for the Spring Clean-up. Residents are encouraged to contact Ken Nicks if they need help hauling anything that day.

The Board recognizes Judy Adrian and Doug Layton for serving their terms on the Boaz Plan Commission. President Nicks made a motion to appoint two Boaz Plan Commissioners, John Jansen and Kathy Hansen; seconded by Trustee Adrian. Motion carried.

Trustee Adrian made a motion to approve the Annual Financial Report Form C; seconded by Trustee Hansen. Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer Townsend updated the Board that Board of Review training materials were ordered on March 24th and should be arriving soon.

Clerk/Treasurer Townsend presented the March financial reports for the Sewer Utility Account and General Account. Trustee Hansen made a motion to approve the financial reports; seconded by Trustee Adrian. Motion carried.

Trustee Hansen made a motion to approve the payment of bills; seconded by Trustee Adrian. Motion carried.

Spring Election Update- There are 77 registered voters in the Village of Boaz and 1 Election Day registrant. 41 ballots were cast for a 53% voter turnout. There were 0 provisional ballots. 1 absentee ballot was mailed out and not returned.

Trustee Hansen made a motion to renew the Certificate of Deposit- Sealcoating for 6 more months; seconded by Trustee Adrian. Motion carried.

President Nicks gave an update on Boaz Fun Daze. Waiting on Certificate of Insurance for the fireworks.

Trustee Adrian made a motion to approve the portable toilet pumping schedule for May and June; seconded by Trustee Hansen. Motion carried.

Trustee Adrian made a motion to enter into agreement resolution 2026-3 supporting a comprehensive and sustainable transportation funding solution through WTA; seconded by Trustee Hansen. Motion carried. The resolution follows these minutes.

Trustee Hansen made a motion to grant operator's licenses to Brayden E. Kleppe and Emily D. Vandenberg; seconded by Trustee Adrian. Motion carried.

Trustee Adrian made a motion to acquire a second official email address deputyclerk@boazwi.gov; seconded by Trustee Hansen. Motion carried.

Trustee Adrian made a motion to deny the Boscobel athletic program request; seconded by Trustee Hansen. Motion carried.

Susie Hauri was recognized for 10 years of service as the Clerk/Treasurer for the Village.

Board of Review is May 14, 2026 from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Clerk/Treasurer updated the Board on clerk/treasurer work completed since the March meeting.

The next regular meeting was confirmed for May 12, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Boaz Community Building with phone conference capability.

Trustee Adrian made a motion to adjourn at 8:11 p.m.; seconded by Trustee Hansen. Motion carried.

Submitted by Kaela Townsend, Clerk/Treasurer

**TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A COMPREHENSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE
TRANSPORTATION FUNDING SOLUTION**

Village of Boaz, Richland County

Resolution No. 2026-3

WHEREAS, local units of government in Wisconsin own and maintain approximately 90% of the public road miles in the state, including county highways, town roads, and city and village streets; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's economy—rooted in agriculture, manufacturing, and tourism—relies on a safe, reliable, and well-maintained transportation network; and

WHEREAS, local governments greatly appreciate the one-time infusions of General Purpose Revenue, primarily sales and income taxes, and other revenue provided in recent state budgets, which have enabled the initiation and continuation of the successful and popular Local Roads Improvement Program Supplemental (LRIP-S) and Agricultural Roads Improvement Program (ARIP); and

WHEREAS, despite modest increases from the state over the years, transportation aids to local governments remain insufficient to keep pace with inflation and rising construction costs, leaving many communities funded below 2000 levels in real dollars; and

WHEREAS, local governments throughout Wisconsin continue to struggle to perform even routine maintenance, pavement preservation, and safety improvements, resulting in deteriorating roads and bridges; and

WHEREAS, the inaugural inventory and assessment of small bridges between 6 to 20 feet found about 10% of the nearly 17,000 structures to be in poor or severe condition; and

WHEREAS, levy limits and other fiscal constraints prevent local governments from independently filling the funding gap created by inadequate state transportation aids; and

WHEREAS, absent sustainable state funding, many communities have been forced to address their shortfalls by significantly increasing borrowing, deferring essential projects, or imposing local vehicle registration ("wheel") taxes; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin motorists currently pay among the lowest transportation user fees in the Midwest, while neighboring states and dozens of others nationwide have enacted long-term revenue measures to keep their transportation systems competitive; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin is increasingly relying on General Purpose Revenues to make needed investments, potentially pitting transportation against other vital services, such as education; and

WHEREAS, continued lack of growing, dedicated, and predictable revenue places Wisconsin at a growing economic disadvantage by threatening the efficiency of freight movement, the safety of travelers, and the attractiveness of our state to businesses and residents; and

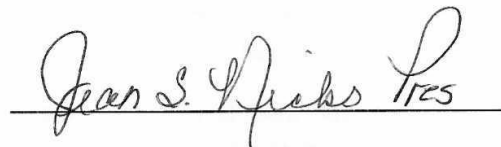
WHEREAS, both Wisconsin's aging Interstate highway system—largely constructed in the 1950s and 1960s—and our extensive network of state and local roads require predictable, adequate, and sustainable funding to meet current and future needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Boaz Village Board strongly urges the Governor of Wisconsin and the State Legislature to enact a comprehensive, sustainable transportation funding solution that:

1. Provides adequate and reliable revenue growth for the efficient long-term planning and execution of state and local transportation programs;
2. Includes responsible and prudent use of General Purpose Revenue and bonding;
3. Adjusts any new and existing transportation user fees and other revenue mechanisms to sustain purchasing power in order to maintain and improve Wisconsin's transportation infrastructure; and
4. Ensures transportation continues to deliver for Wisconsin by adequately funding reconstruction, preservation, and safety investments on the state and local systems.

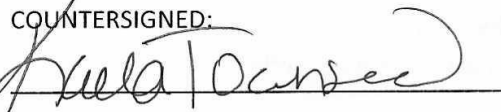
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor's office, all members of the Wisconsin State Senate and Assembly representing districts within Village.

Adopted this 14 day of April, 2026.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jean S. Nicks Pres", written over a horizontal line.

Jean Nicks, Village President

COUNTERSIGNED:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kaela Townsend", written over a horizontal line.

Kaela Townsend, Village Clerk