

TOWN OF COLUMBUS MEETING MINUTES – August 10, 2026

Chairman Schroeder called the Town of Columbus Board meeting to order on Monday evening, August 10, 2026, at 7:02 p.m. Present were Chairman Darren Schroeder, Supervisors Ed Wolf and Harold Schwoerer, Clerk Gabrielle Loeffler, Treasurer Cindy Miller, and attendees from the community as follows: Connie Schultz, Vicki Schulze, Craig & Paula Taylor, Arlene Sennhenn, Paul Wolfe, JoAnn Thiede, Gerald Schuster, Frank & Peggy Liska, Fred Strehm, Mike Meyers, Lawrence & May Lins, Barb Reifsnider, Tom Onofrey, Donnie Blich, Damon Stier, Rita Lambert, Steve Schey, Gina & Neil Schoenherr, Jim Klutzmann, Alan Thorson, Gary Dynes, Jim Greiling, Bruce Zittel, Terry Kasminski, Mark & Maggie Piekarski, Jeremy Hildebrandt, Marilyn Clevenger, Mike McConnell, Andrew Klabacka.

Chairman Schroeder stated the Town Meeting agenda had been properly noticed. Supervisor Wolf motioned to adopt the agenda with the addition of approval of the Insight FS Contract AND an update to the request to clean the ditch on Fox Rd, by Mike with Link Aggregate; Supervisor Schwoerer seconded; motion carried.

Minutes of the July 13, 2026 Town Board Meeting were read. Supervisor Schwoerer motioned to approve the minutes as read; Supervisor Wolf seconded; motion carried.

Treasurer Cindy Miller reported as of July 31, 2026; total Town Money was \$605,756.13.

August invoices totaling \$39,287.00 were presented for payment. Supervisor Schwoerer motioned to approve the invoices as presented; Supervisor Wolf seconded; motion carried.

REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN:

- Clerk to send Transportation Resolution to WTA.
- Budget discussions to start at next meeting.
- Wedging on Fox Road is complete.

SUPERVISOR I:

- Ryan with UW SW Transportation will be doing a study to remove the wall on Hwy 73 & Weiner Rd, hopefully this year.
- Road sign is down on Hwy 89 & Sydo Rd, Darren will order through the Highway department.

SUPERVISOR II:

- New Firetruck has been delivered and sent in for additional options
- County board meeting is next Wednesday night, on the agenda is a Moratorium for Windmills

OLD BUSINESS:

- Tree Trimming Quotes, 3 received- Columbia County, Jim's Tree Service, & Fiddler's Green. Supervisor Schwoerer made a motion to accept the Fiddler's Green bid; seconded by Supervisor Wolf; Chairman Schroeder abstained; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Supervisor Wolf made a motion to approve the Insight FS Propane annual contract at 1.49 a gallon X 800 gallons for 2027; seconded by Supervisor Schwoerer; motion carried.
- Request for an EIN by George Andler; he has the application, no action required by us at this time.

- Chairman Schroeder made a motion to approve the request by Paul Wolfe & JoAnn Theide & Link Aggregate to clean the ditch on Fox Rd at their expense overseen by the DNR; Seconded by Supervisor Wolf; motion carried.
- Chairman Schroeder made a motion to approve a field driveway on Fox Rd. & Hwy. 89 with a 10-foot minimum and 18 inch steel culvert; seconded by Supervisor Schwoerer; motion carried.
- Columbia County Towns Association will be holding a unit meeting on August 20, 2026, at 7pm.
- Partisan Primary Election will be held on August 11, 2026; polls open 7am-8pm.
- Presentation/ update by Wisconsinites for Local Control regarding their jurisdictional task force and upcoming proposed projects.
- Public comments.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m. with a motion from Supervisor Wolf and seconded by Supervisor Schwoerer; motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Gabrielle Loeffler, Clerk – August 23, 2026.