

Public Budget Hearing – November 11, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

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Mukwa Town Hall, E8514 Weyauwega Rd., Northport 7 in Attendance (4 Non-Residents)
Notification of this Public Hearing has been published in the New London Press Star on October 23, 2025 & was posted in the three designated places on October 15, 2025.

Chairman Simonis called the Public Budget Hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited
All Meetings/Hearings will adhere to Robert’s Rules of Order Pursuant to Town of Mukwa Ordinance 10-05.

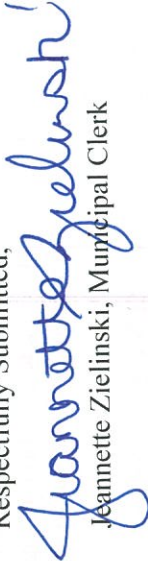
Roll call of Officers: Cody Simonis, Chairman – Present; Lee Shaw, Supervisor 1 – Present;
Matt Manske, Supervisor 2 – Present; Sandy Jensen, Treasurer – Present; Jeannette Zielinski, Clerk – Present.

The Proposed 2026 Budget was reviewed, and all questions were answered.

	2025 Budget	2025 Proposed Budget	% Change
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
General Property Taxes	\$444,651	\$447,902	0.73%
Other Taxes	5,179	5,179	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenue	255,641	270,366	5.76%
Public Charges for Services	70	70	0.00%
Licenses & Permits	23,600	20,850	-11.65%
TV Franchise	29,500	29,500	0.00%
Town Mobile Home Share	13,000	13,000	0.00%
Recycling Grant	4,734	4,734	0.15%
Interest/Other Town Receipts	15,210	15,210	125.18%
TOTAL REVENUE & CASH	<u>\$791,585</u>	<u>\$825,851</u>	4.33%
EXPENDITURES			
General Government/Misc. Expense	\$152,350	\$164,750	8.14%
Public Safety	116,492	121,757	4.52%
Road Construction/Maintenance	436,093	446,394	2.36%
Street Lights	1,950	1,950	0.00%
Recycling	56,700	61,000	7.58%
Contingency Fund	12,000	12,000	0.00%
Revaluation Fund	5,000	6,000	0.00%
Plan Commission Fund	1,000	2,000	20.00%
Equipment Fund	10,000	10,000	0.00%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$780,079</u>	<u>\$825,851</u>	4.33%

Motion to Adjourn the Public Budget Hearing was made by Supervisor Shaw with a second to the motion made by Supervisor Manske. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,


Jeannette Zielinski, Municipal Clerk

Special Town Meeting of the Electors – Held Immediately Following the Public Budget Hearing

Mukwa Town Hall, E8514 Weyauwega Rd., Northport 7 in Attendance (4 Non-Residents)
Notification of this Special Meeting of the Electors has been published in the New London Press Star on October 23, 2025 & was posted in the three designated places on October 15, 2025.

Chairman Simonis called the Special Meeting of the Electors to order at approximately 6:29 p.m.

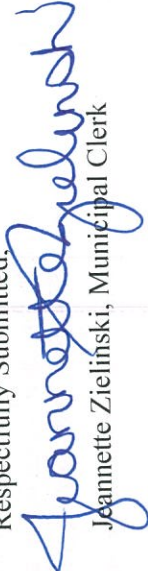
All Meetings/Hearings will adhere to Robert’s Rules of Order Pursuant to Town of Mukwa Ordinance 10-05.

Roll call of Officers: Cody Simonis, Chairman – Present; Lee Shaw, Supervisor 1 – Present;
Matt Manske, Supervisor 2 – Present; Sandy Jensen, Treasurer – Present; Jeannette Zielinski, Clerk – Present

Approve 2025 Town Tax Levy to be Collected in 2026 Pursuant to Sec. 60.10(1)(a) of Wisconsin Statutes:
Ken Jaeger made the motion to Approve the 2025 Town Tax Levy to be Collected in 2026 (\$447,902.00) with a second to Mr. Jaeger’s motion made by Mike Jensen. Aye: 8 - All Town Residents (including Board, Clerk & Treasurer) Present. Motion carried.

Motion to Adjourn the Special Town Meeting of the Electors was made by Mike Jensen with a second to the motion made by Ken Jaeger. Aye: 8 - All Town Residents Present. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,


Jeannette Zielinski, Municipal Clerk

Mukwa Town Hall, E8514 Weyauwega Road, Northport 7 in Attendance

Chairman Simonis called the meeting to order at immediately following the completion of the Special Meeting of the Electors at 6:31 p.m. Notification of this meeting was given to the Press on October 30, 2025 and the final agenda was posted in the three designated places on November 8, 2025.

Roll call of Officers: Chairman Simonis, Chairman – Present; Lee Shaw, Supervisor 1 – Present; Matt Manske, Supervisor 2 – Present; Sandy Jensen, Treasurer – Present; Jeannette Zielinski, Clerk – Present.

All Meetings/Hearings will adhere to Robert’s Rules of Order Pursuant to Town of Mukwa Ordinance 10-05.

Approve & Adopt: 2026 Budget Pursuant to Section 60.40(4) of Wisconsin Statutes: Motion to approve & adopt the 2026 Town Budget pursuant to Section 60.40(4) of Wisconsin Statutes (*as approved by the Electors at the Special Meeting of the Electors*) was made by Supervisor Shaw with a second to the motion made by Supervisor Manske & the motion carried.

Approve: (a) October 7, 2025 Monthly Town Board Meeting Minutes: Motion was made by Supervisor Shaw with a second by Supervisor Manske to approve the October 7, 2025 Monthly Town Board Meeting Minutes as printed. Motion carried. **(b) October 7th Special Town Board Meeting Minutes:** Motion was made by Supervisor Shaw with a second by Chairman Simonis to approve the October 7th Special Town Board Meeting Minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Treasurer: Approve Monthly Treasurer’s Report: Read by Treasurer Jensen. Motion was made by Supervisor Shaw and seconded by Supervisor Manske to accept the October 31, 2025 Treasurer’s Report as presented & printed. Motion carried.

Budget/Vouchers: (a) Move Funds to Miscellaneous Town Expenses (\$701.50): Motion to approve moving the required \$701.50 from the Contingency Fund to the Miscellaneous Town Expenses Account was made by Chairman Simonis with a second to the motion made by Supervisor Shaw & the motion carried. **(b) Approval & Payment of Vouchers:** Motion was made by Chairman Simonis to approve payment of Vouchers 30126 through 30156, dated October 8, 2025 through November 11, 2025 & Direct Withdrawals of Social Security, Medicare & Federal Tax of \$1,164.33 & the October 22nd We Energies Invoice of \$260.67; for a total of \$19,292.68. Second to Chairman Simonis’ motion was made by Supervisor Manske. Motion carried.

Public Forum - Town of Mukwa Residents: Members of the New London ATV/UTV Club were present to ask if “Route End” signs could be installed on Highway 54 near the Royalton Gas Station. Noted that the Club has sufficient funds to pay for the cost of the signs & installation. Club will be reaching out to County Highway Department & WISDOT in Wisconsin Rapids. Chair Simonis asked if they could have an estimated cost available. As this was not on the Agenda no motion was made, will be added to the December 9th meeting agenda.

Building Inspector: None

Review & Approve – Certified Survey Map (CSM) – Bill & Darlene Hutchison & Tom Schroeder – Hutchison Road: Mr. Schroeder was present to answer any questions & explain the need for the Certified Survey Map. All questions were answered, and Supervisor Shaw made a motion to approve the Certified Survey Map as presented for 2 Lots for Bill & Darlene Hutchison & Tom Schroeder. A second to Supervisor Shaw’s motion was made by Supervisor Manske & the motion was carried.

Plan Commission: (a) October 22nd Nysee Pit Meeting Follow-up: Plan Commission Chair Lee Shaw gave a brief rundown of the proposed project – a portable asphalt plant & noted that this property already has a Conditional Use Permit & that this would be a Modification to an Existing Permit. Plan Commission Chair Shaw also visited one of the company’s sites to view the asphalt plant operation.

(b) November 19th @ 6:00 p.m. - Nysee Pit Follow-up Meeting – Mukwa Town Hall

Roads: (a) Monthly Report: Trimmed trees using loader. Noted that Midstate Tree has not started on the requested roads & has not returned phone calls. Check with Buggs on time frame for getting started on tree trimming.

(b) Road Equipment-Report/Repairs/ Purchases Needed: Loader is ready for snow removal. The plow truck PTO pump went out & lost all fluid. Still looking for additional quotes on tires. A new ditch mower will be needed.

(c) Cedar Corporation Follow-up to October 7th Meeting & October 17th Road Review: Chairman Simonis & Supervisor Shaw drove the Town roads with Justin Keen, Cedar Corp. Project Manager. Paperwork has been submitted to apply for LRIP Grant for Larry Road.

Meetings/Training/Waupaca County Zoning Hearings:

Attended: Clerk Zielinski attended the October 12th – 14th Wisconsin Towns Association Annual Convention & Training held in Wisconsin Dells.

Upcoming: November 13th @ 5:30 p.m. – Wisconsin Towns Association - Waupaca County Unit Meeting to be held at the Waupaca County Highway Department, 2670 Cty Rd A, Waupaca.

Correspondence Received: **(a)** MP Systems Hauling Permit Inquiry. Replacement of three transmission line poles in the Right-of-Way (ROW). Hauling route Larry Road, County Road X and Broadway Street. Noted the semi has an approximate gross weight of 80,000 – 120,000 lbs. Will reach out to contact person to obtain additional information & get a timeline of this project. **(b)** Chairman Simonis gave a brief update from the Attorney regarding the cemetery.

Motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Shaw. Second made by Supervisor Manske. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,


Jeannette Zielinski, Municipal Clerk