**Minutes**
**Town of Spruce Regular Board Meeting**
**Wednesday, August 19, 2026**
**Spruce Town Hall**
**9097 County Rd B, Oconto Falls, WI**

This is an open meeting of the Spruce Town Board. Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting by posting at the Spruce Town Hall and the town website townofspruce.net.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call 7:00 PM
2. Approval of Agenda **Motion by Verhagen/Paitl to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.**
   a. Change of Sequence
   b. Additions or Removal of Items **Motion by Paitl/Verhagen to add rezone to the Planning Committee request received from Zahn and Morrissey. Carried.**
3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)**. Motion by Verhagen/Paitl to approve the July minutes. Carried.**
4. Treasurer's Report **Motion by Verhagen/Paitl to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Carried.**
5. Public Comments – Public comments will be allowed with a 2-minute maximum allowance per person. Please keep in mind that the board cannot respond to your comments.
6. Committee Reports:
   Planning Commission: There will be a Planning Commission meeting at 6:00 PM to review the land division request from Robert and Kathleen Zahn and a land division request from Ray Morrissey. Possible Action.
   Recycling Center: Ed Christenson: No Report
   Holt Park: Donnie and Penny: Report Given
   Joint Library: Lisa Peitersen and Suzanne Verhagen: Report Given
   Ambulance Meeting: September 28th, 2026
7. New Business:
   a. Consider Planning Commission recommendation for the land division and rezone request by Robert and Kathleen Zahn. **Motion by Paitl/Verhagen to approve the Planning Commission recommendation for the land division and rezone request by Robert and Kathleen Zahn. Carried.**
   b. Consider Planning Commission recommendation for the land division request by Ray Morrisey. **Motion by Paitl/Verhagen to approve the Planning Commission recommendation for the land division and rezone request by Ray Morrissey. Carried.**
   c. Consider a 3-year contract from Mikey Smet's Auto Salvage to pick up scrap metal, items needing refrigerant, and batteries from the Spruce Recycling Center. **Motion by Verhagen/Paitl to approve the 3-year contract from Mikey Smet's Auto Salvage to pick up scrap metal, items needing refrigerant and batteries from the Spruce Recycling Center. Carried.**
   d. Consider brush cutting contract with Rick Kozlovsky for various roads and intersections where trees are hanging too low. **Motion by Paitl/Verhagen to approve up Bear Tree Service to clean up trees and brush along Steffel Road and County B, Prause Lane and Kelly Brook Cemetery. Carried.**
8. Old Business:
   a. Review information collected regarding half-moon roadway on Holt Park Road with options to give property back to adjacent property owners. **Motion by Paitl/Verhagen to send out final letters to property owners regarding ownership of half-moon roadway adjacent to the individual property owners or a final vote. Carried.**
   b. Consider raising the cost of a driveway permit from $50 to $100 with language regarding damage to the road. **Motion by Paitl/Verhagen to keep the driveway permit at $50 but add language regarding damage to the road. Carried.**
   c. Discuss Oconto County Forestry, Parks, and Recreation Department's Comprehensive Outdoor Recreational Plan (CORP) for the continued improvement and development of outdoor recreation with Oconto County for possible grant or cost sharing programs within our municipality. No Action Taken.
9. Reading of the Checks by Clerk followed by Approval of Invoices. **Motion by Verhagen/Paitl to approve checks written in the amount of $60,441.51. Carried.**
10. Announcements:
11. Set Next Meeting Dates Wednesday, September 16
12. Executive Session

**Motion by Verhagen/Paitl to convene into Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 19 Wisconsin State Statue, IV, 19.85 (1)(g) to Confer with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. Carried.**

13. Open Session **Motion by Paitl/Verhagen to return to open session. Carried.** No Action Taken in Closed session.
14. Adjournment **Motion by Verhagen/Paitl to adjourn at 8:24 PM. Carried.***Lisa Peitersen, Town Clerk*