

Town of La Pointe
2026 Budget Workshop
Thursday, November 6th, 2025
4:30 pm at the Town Hall

Minutes

Town Board Members Present: Chair Glenn Carlson, Supervisor Samantha Dobson (@4:41pm), Supervisor Sue Brenna, Supervisor Mike Anderson, Supervisor Aimee Baxter

Staff Present: Town Clerk Alex Smith, Town Administrator Max Imholte, Ambulance Director Sarah Schram, Assistant Fire Chief Jay Wiltz, Accounting Manager Liz Brown (@4:37pm) MRF Interim Supervisor Evan Erickson, Library Director Lauren Schuppe

Public Present: John Carlson

1. Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by Glenn Carlson at 4:30pm.

2. Public Comment A*:

John Carlson mentioned the costs of hiring a 3rd full-time library position with the hourly wage and benefits package and requested it not being on the taxpayers to pay for this.

3. Consider Current Adjustment to Public Works Laborer Compensation:

Motion to adjust Trevor Kreuger's wage as Public Works Laborer to \$21.50/hr rather than \$20.00/hr, retroactive to when he started the new position, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

4. 2026 Budget Proposal Discussions:

- General Government:
 - There's roughly a \$816,000 carryover from 2025, which will decrease the deficit for 2026. The full-time Recreation Director position may be used for benefit for both Town Hall and the Library, utilizing the hire in the winter for HR, Payroll, & Accounting when recreation slows down. The Town Board does not believe we will need to exceed the allowable levy limit.
- Departments
 - The Town Board decided to cut the tanker from the Fire Department budget, as Jay mentioned the current tanker is able to be replaced and he is working on numbers.
 - The RV and Camper Site Fees are relatively similar, the Board requested speaking with Pete about increasing the RV Site Fees to \$45.00.
- Committees
 - Nothing to comment on or adjust.

- Capital Outlay:
 - The Town Board has added a line item to the Capital Outlay for a new sound system per public request.
- Debt Service: There is roughly \$400,000 in general obligation debt.
- Revenues: Nothing to comment on or adjust.
- Fee Schedule: Looks good, nothing to adjust.

Motion to go into closed session, S. Brenna/S. Dobson, Roll Call Mike Anderson yes, Sue Brenna yes, Aimee Baxter yes, Samantha Dobson yes, Glenn Carlson yes, Motion Carried. 4:58PM Library Director Lauren Schuppe was present during closed session.

5. 2026 Library Compensation Discussion: Discussed in closed session.

The Town Board may go into closed session during the meeting 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 in which it is or is likely to become involved in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(c). After the completion of the closed session, the Board will come back into open session to act upon the discussion in the closed session or otherwise complete the business of the meeting before adjourning.

6. Public Comment B:

None.

A few things were mentioned regarding the budget before adjourning in regards to compensation. Chief William Defoe will be getting the cost-of-living adjustment & plans to retire in early March. The current Fire Chief is retiring, the compensation for the new Chief will remain the same in addition to cost of living.

The Budget Workshop meeting scheduled for tomorrow has been cancelled.

7. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 5:19pm

Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith.

Approved as submitted, 11/25/25.