

Minutes – APPROVED

ACWORTH PLANNING BOARD MEETING: October 27, 2025

PB Present: Rob Vogel, Steve Murray, Jim Neidert, Vicki Wuest, Ryanne Schoonover (BoS),

PB Absent: Michael Aron, Dean Gowen, Frank Emig (alternate)

Public Present: Jennifer Bland (Highway)

Meeting called to order at 6:38 PM by RV

JN Motion to approve minutes from 9/22/2025 PB meeting, RS second – approved

No alternates available

Discussion on applicant for Admin Assistant

- The applicant understands that the position needs to be present for meetings
- Do the work of compiling packages
- Ability to take meeting minutes – open meetings law
- RS to conduct a phone interview prior to next board meeting, if successful than invite to 11/24 meeting

CIP Highway Discussion

- Alternative truck – looking like 60K – GMC 2500 – with plow waiting on FEMA
- Dodge Ram 5500 – one ton – small roads –
 - JB to provide more detailed specs on the replacement truck – estimate cost
 - 10 wheelers have eliminated need for hauling
 - Truck in an accident on Nye Road – 5 years ago
- 2018 International – no need for a CDL
 - Most likely would not get another small truck – but a 10 wheeler
 - JB asked to provide specs for the truck replacement
- Should truck leasing be considered to save on cost?
- Consider investing in Mowing equipment to eliminate rentals and potentially create opportunity to rent to other towns – currently we spend 10K on rentals per year – investment might be 15-20K for road side mowing equipment
- JB stated that Highway was building improved maintenance plans for road upkeep
- Thayer Road – mitigation project – Fuzzi Bros – 300K – DES needs to approve it
- Core samples for Thayer and Crescent Lake Road – 6500
- Bridge Maintenance plan is being created
- Largest potential impact to road plan will be the cost of Crane Brook Road

JB approached the PB for the development of a farm animal ordinance for the various districts in town, she will send the PB all of her research. This could be considered for development in 2026.

RS moved to adjourn at 8:18PM, JN to second, approved

Next PB Meeting on 11/24/2025 at 6:30PM