

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 9th, 2025 at Town Hall
at 4:45PM**

Join Zoom Meeting

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Call in: 1-312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 832 3898 6020

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Some Town Board Members May Attend via Telephone

A quorum of the Town Board may be present prior to the meeting for voucher signing

I. Public Comment A*

This portion of public comment is restricted to one minute in length. The opportunity to speak for longer than one minute appears later in the agenda. You may also submit a public comment to the Town Clerk via email (clerk@townoflapointewi.gov) or drop it in the suggestion box outside Town Hall

II. Administrative Reports

- A. Town Administrator's Report
- B. Public Works Director's Report
- C. MRF Supervisor's Report
- D. Airport Manager's Report & Checklist
- E. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report
- F. Accounting Manager's Report
- G. Police Chief's Report
- H. Fire Chief's Report
- I. Ambulance Director's Report

III. Public Works

IV. Committees

V. Town Hall Administration

- A. Resolution #2025-1209 'Establish a Madeline Island Child Care Task Force'
- B. Resolution #2025-1209 (B) 'Appointment of Election Inspectors'
- C. Approve 2026 Schedule of Fees
- D. Approve 2026 Big Waters Apparatus Contract

VI. Vouchers

- A. Town of La Pointe

VII. Minutes

VIII. Emergency Services

- A. Fire Department
 - 1. Purchase Order for Tire Replacement on Tanker (#2025-29)

IX. Public Comment B** *Public Comment that is longer than one minute*

X. Liquor Licenses

XI. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

The Town Board may go into closed session during the meeting for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved in accordance with to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(g). 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.

A. Petition with Ashland County Circuit Court case Regarding Ashland County Tax Levy

XII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings

XIII. Adjourn

Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information or to request this service, contact the Town Clerk.

Town Board Meeting Memo

From: Max Imholte, TA

Date: December 9, 2025

Re: Agenda Items

- Town Hall Administration:
D. Approve service contract for Fire Department equipment. The vendor is Big Water Apparatus. This year the contract is capped at \$25,000 versus \$33,000 last year. We have put in a provision that all repairs other than routine maintenance must be approved by the Chief prior to commencing work. We have also eliminated Ambulance and Police vehicles from the contract.
- Lawsuits
We have directed our attorneys to file a petition for circuit court review of the Tax Appeals Commission decision.

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TOWN ADMINSTRATOR REPORT

12/9/2025

The 2026 budget has been approved by the electors, and the tax levy has been approved by the Town Board. Liz Brown and I will be debriefing next week on what worked and what could be improved upon for next year. Suggestions are welcomed.

We have a "Plan B" bid from Jolma for an all American-made solar system for the ESB Microgrid project. This bid is considerably cheaper than the original system but would not have the same level of functionality since there would be no ability to store solar energy in batteries. This is important because, unlike the other solar installations that we have, the objective of this project was not just to lower energy costs but also to enable the ESB building to function under longer periods of power outages. We are still waiting to hear about our request for a twelve-month extension.

With the budget more or less put to bed I'm starting back on the updated Personnel Policy project. I'm scheduled to take a one-day Continuing Legal Education Class on "2025 Employment Law Updates" on December 15th and another CLE on "Employment Benefits" on December 20th.

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Public Works Report

Winter is here!! And luckily, we got our new grader back just in time for the big storm on 11-26. In last month's report I detailed the factory defect the brand-new John Deere 772 GP had, a crack in the engine block, and McCoy Construction and Forestry were quick to act replacing the engine. This repair was covered under the 7-year warranty so there was no additional cost to the Town. While the new machine was being repaired, they gave us our old grader back as a loaner. I was hesitant to use it too much in case of a breakdown, but I was able to grade and spread gravel on several roads while we had it.

We had our first plowable snowfall on 11-9, a significant storm bringing 12-15 inches of wet heavy snow and winds around 40 mph. There were tons of downed trees all over the island resulting in a power outage on the North end and a power pole was snapped in half east of the Big Bay Town Park due to the gale force winds. This storm began with a significant amount of rain causing extremely icy conditions. We did our best to sand but with such low salt content in our sand mix, high winds and traffic, the salt sand tends to be blown off the ice rather quickly.

We had another small snow event the night of 11-29 leaving 2-4" in some places and the crew had the roads plowed and sanded by 9am Sunday morning.

Roads

- Graded Miller Farm Rd.
- Graded sections of North Shore Rd.
- Graded School House Rd.
- Graded Old Fort Rd.
- Graded and spread 2 loads of gravel on Chippewa Trail.
- Spread 1 load of gravel on Krohn Dahlin.
- Graded and spread 3 loads of gravel on the MRF exit road.
- Downed tree clean up at the Clinic/Library.
- Cleaned up 10 downed trees between North Shore, Benjamin and School Hs Rd.
- Cleaned up 6 downed trees on South Shore road network.
- Tree trimming North Shore Rd right of way.
- Plowed and sanded 3 times.

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Dock/Harbor

- Lowered steel ramp in at the old harbor in Bayfield.
- Delivered 6 yards of salt sand to Bayfield for MIFL.
- Moved ramp sections at the MIFL shop in Bayfield.

Equipment

- Repaired the wood deck of our Tri-Axle trailer.
- Repaired gas filler neck on the 2004 GMC 3500.
- Replaced bearings, conveyor and spinner on the slide in Monroe sanding unit for the 2016 Ram 5500.
- Outfitted 2019 Western Star dump truck with removal and sander equipment.
- Outfitted 2005 Ford Sterling dump truck with snow removal equipment.
- Replaced blades on 3 Boss snowplows and performed periodic maintenance.
- Repaired and modified the snowplow for the 444K Loader.
- Repaired over cab strobe lights on 2005 Ford Sterling dump truck.
- Out fitted pickup trucks with snowplows.
- Mounted snowblower on the New Holland Airport tractor.

Parks

- Plowed and sanded parking lots 3 times.
- Removed several trees at the BBTP.
- Trimmed trees around the bleachers at the Rec Center.
- Winterized the Rec Center.
- Repaired small bridge at the BBTP.
- Put up snow fence at Joni's Beach.
- Leaf blow all campsites at the BBTP.
- Leaf blow Pocket Park.
- Leaf Blow Jonis Beach.

Facilities

- Replaces water filters at Town Hall.
- Replaces water filters at the ESB.
- Cleaned up BBTP office and pulled garbage cans.

County H

- Plowed and sanded 3 times.

- Cleaned up several downed trees

Respectfully submitted by, Pete Wiggins, Public Works Director.

E-mail: foreman@townoflapointewi.gov

Office #: 715-747-6855

(Revised 12/5)

November 2025 MRF Report

Winter has finally set in on us for the year. The first part of the month we seen warm and dry weather, but as we moved into the week of Thanksgiving, we had our first cold temperatures and snow. Over the month of November, we spent the time working on scrapping cars and working on stripping wire that was collected over the past year, along with typical day-to-day operations. In the month of December, we will continue to scrap cars and do our final recycling loads to mainland.

Over the month of November, we had 6 loads hauled to mainland by Michael and Woodstock. These 6 loads, totaling 52.70 tons, consisted of 3 demolition (26.58 tons), 1 solid waste (9.37 tons), 1 scrap metal (7.16 tons), and 1 load of cars (9.59 tons). So far for the year we have hauled 89 loads totaling 662.95 tons. Since summer we have seen a drastic decrease in solid waste/trash brought into the MRF. During the summer months we would haul 3 to 4 loads of solid waste per month while during the month of November we hauled only 1 load of solid waste. We have also seen a decrease in weight of the boxes since summer. During the summer months we would see our solid waste boxes weighing 10-13 tons when they start reaching 80% capacity. During this time of year, the boxes are around 9-10 tons at 80% capacity. This is due to less liquid/food trash (Michael likes to call this "liquid death juice") that we would see from visitors and restaurants. Moving into December we will likely continue to see a decrease in material hauled into the MRF.

With the cold temperatures, we will need to start thawing out boxes before hauling. When we start getting freezing temperatures, we have issues with material freezing in the boxes and not coming out when we try to dump them in Ashland. To solve this problem, we start putting the boxes in the town shop a day or two before hauling to thaw and drain any ice that has formed in the box. We would like to apologize in advance to Pete and Matt as they will have to deal with the 10 tons of trash smelling up their shops this winter. Sorry 🙄

Over the month of November, we finally started recycling junk vehicles. Trevor has been very helpful with this task, assisting with draining fluids and pulling tires. So far, we have hauled 1 box of scrap vehicles off the island. In this one box we were able to get 6 vehicles totaling 9.59 tons. The scrap price at the time of this haul was \$100 per ton, making this box generate \$959.00 in revenue. Currently we have another box worth of vehicles ready to go into a box, and about 2 more boxes of vehicles that need to be drained and scrapped. Once we have completed processing all the vehicles we have on hand, we will haul over the load of batteries and catalytic converters we have collected from the vehicles. When we are done processing all the vehicles, MRF should be able to meet the recycling revenue budget that was set for 2025.

Starting December 1st, the MRF is closed Mondays until April 1st. The reason that this was decided was to help decrease the MRFs budget needs from the town and to use personnel as efficiently as possible. Rather than collecting revenue that does not cover labor costs, this labor can be used to assist with working on the roads. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause.

Sincerely submitted,

Evan R Erickson

Financial Information Through Square:**November:**

Gross Sales:	\$16,265.19
MRF card discounts:	(\$2,243.75)
Total Revenue:	\$14,021.44
Card Fees:	(\$400.53)
Net Total:	\$13,620.91

Year to Date:

Gross Sales:	\$192,319.56
MRF card discounts:	(\$26,588.51)
Total Revenue:	\$165,731.05
Fees:	(3,092.72)
Net Total:	\$162,638.33

Outstanding invoices through Square: \$2,462.35

Outstanding MRF card balance: \$20,194.14

Recycling tracking:

See attached spreadsheets for hauling recycling data

Cardboard bailed: August/YTD: 2,172lbs/66,222lbs

Aluminum bailed: June/YTD: 476lbs/10,964lbs

Tin bailed: June/YTD: 0lbs/3,006lbs

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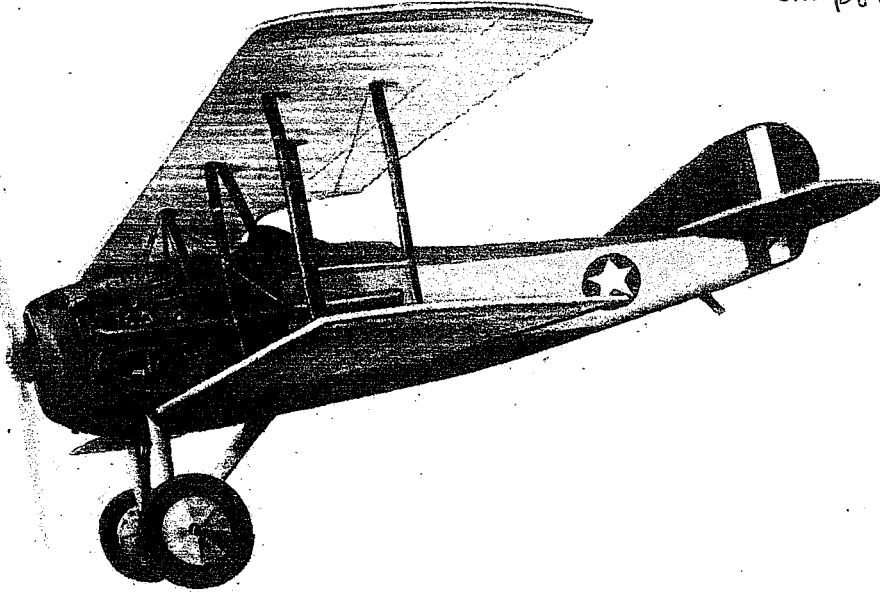
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(5) TB, TA, A, Clerk, Public
airport.



Major Gilbert Field (4R5)

To: Town Board

From: Paul Wilharm

Date: 12/01/2025

Re: Monthly report for November 2025

During the month of November our airport was issue free.

Drop box receipts:	\$0.00
Traffic, flight plan:	13
Traffic, sign in	04
NOTAMS	06

Traffic counts do not include touch and go and those who do not file and/or sign in which historically is many.

Attached are logs / checklists

Thanks !

Paul
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November 2025 Traffic count and revenue log / checklist

Drop box receipts \$ 0.00

The following filed flight plans:

11/02 N340RS
11/04 N2436W
11/05 N192AF
11/08 N725LK
11/13 N616SK
11/14 N3968N
11/14 N192AF
11/14 N4771J
11/15 N192AF
11/16 N29444
11/18 N616SK
11/18 N147PG
11/22 N192AF

For additional traffic see sign in sheet(s)

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Sign is $(-)$

FNS - Reports - Civil Airport Coordination Report

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Available Reports		6 total records!				
Civil Airport Coordination Report		Reference...	NOTAM N...	NOTAM Text	Designator	R
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11/25 NOTAM

Planning & Zoning Administrator Town of La Pointe, Wisconsin November 2025 Report

The month of November continued to be a busy month. Described in more detail below, but in short, I was able to accomplish the following:

- Provided all 2025 Construction Related permit information (and supporting material) to the Town Assessor,
- Started an in-depth review of the Public Comments received on the Zoning Ordinance Re-Write and started to further refine the potential mixed-use zone and the quantity of campers located on a lot.
- Had initial discussions with the 5 property owners for which zoning type complaints have been received. Conducted 1 additional site visit of one of the properties.
- Conducted 7 site visits in support of permit requests; issued 7 land use permits during the month, and prepared 4 data packages for TPC Review at the December Regular TPC meeting.
- Continued to prepare for the Town of La Pointe Zoning Open House Lessons Learned meeting on December 10th. The Town's Building Inspector and Ashland County Zoning Representative will both be in attendance to answer any questions contractors may have. Invitations were emailed to 43 contractors on both the mainland and on the Island.

Annual Information to Town of La Pointe Property Assessor

During late October and into early November, I prepared electronic copies of the construction permits that the Town of La Pointe issued during 2025 and emailed them to the Town's Assessor. This included scanning paperwork (application and permit issued) for 26 projects in 2025 and I also included 16 of the data packages that I prepare for TPC review. I provided this information to the Assessor 6 days before the actual due date allowing him to visit the Island earlier than planned.

Availability to Meet Property Owners/Developers

Property owners have been making appointments, phoning me and also dropping in, if they are near Town Hall. I appreciate all forms of communication as this provides us the opportunity to serve the public. These visits and calls have been on the permitting process, zoning code questions and 911/firestop questions, to name a few. I always try to return their voice messages within 24 hours. Emails, phone calls and status updates are provided on a regular basis so everyone is in the loop.

Zoning Ordinance Re-Write

During November, the Town Plan Commission Working Group started an in-depth review of all of the Public Comments received. The TPC Working Group has started to meet two times per week to review and address the comments received focusing on the larger issues identified during the

question and answer sessions. During November, further discussion continued on the proposed boundaries of the mixed-use areas and identifying the ultimate number of camper type units that can be on each property; two major categories of public input on the Draft Zoning Ordinance Re-Write.

Permit Processing

November has continued to be busy to get projects approved to start before the weather changes; especially those that require concrete. During the month of November, I was able to issue building permits for projects that were discussed and approved by the TPC on November 5th. Permits for these projects were all issued the next day.

November 2025 Permit Information/Status

DATE	SANITARY PERMIT	COUNTY PERMIT	LAND USE PERMIT	NAME OF PROPERTY OWNER	FIRE #	STREET NAME	Parcel number 014	PROJECT TYPE
9/15/2025		NA	2025-48	Thomas Lukken	549	Mondamin Tr	00206-1020	Driveway Extension
9/22/2025		NA	NA	Joe Kinney	753	Raspberry Tr		Firestop
9/22/2025		NA	2025-43	Joe Kinney	753	Raspberry Tr		Driveway/Firestop
10/2/2025		9746	2025-46	Phil Myers	3752	Big Bay Rd.	00020-0100	Deck
10/6/2025		9742/9743	2025-40	Michael Geluardi	2387	Hagen Rd.	00156-0800	Dwelling/Accessory Bld
10/7/2025		9500	2025-45	Kevin Byrnes	2096	North Shore Rd.		Screened Porch
10/10/2025		NA	2025-38	Jerry Dunn	526	Middle Road	00190-0500	Replacement Dwelling
10/20/2025		NA	2025-44	Kenneth Myhre	900	Big Bay Rd.		Accessory Structure
10/23/2025		9740/9741	2025-39	Eric Grutzner	1045	Sunny Slope	00398-0100	Accessory Dwelling & A
10/29/2025		9745	2025-42	Robert & Maureen Rickman	2912	Big Bay Road	00060-0230	Driveway/Land Disturba
10/29/2025				Shawn & Andoreen Grass	730	Miller Farm Rd	00180-0520	Firestop
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10/29/2025		NA	NA	Lauren Burtaux	1136	Sunny Slope	00459-0304	Firestop
10/29/2025		9747	2025-47	Otto Odendahl	3310	Big Bay Rd.	00030-0700	Screened Porch
11/6/2025			2025-49	Brad Nicholas	428	Deer Woods Ln	00191-0107	Land Disturbance
11/20/2025			2025-51	Town of LaPointe/Jolma Electr	240	Big Bay Road	00199-0000	Land Disturbance
11/24/2025				Mary Smith	1197	Big Bay Road	00136-0500	Dwelling
11/24/2025				William Stoddard	3469	Big Bay Road		Permit Extensions

During the month of November, 7 additional land use permits were issued:

- 1) 753 Raspberry Trail (approved November 5th)
- 2) 3752 Big Bay Road (approved November 5th)
- 3) 2096 North Shore Road (approved November 5th)
- 4) 900 Big Bay Road (approved November 5th)
- 5) 3310 Big Bay Road (approved November 5th)
- 6) 549 Mondamin Trail (approved November 7th)
- 7) 428 Deer Woods Lane (approved land disturbance November 13th)

For the upcoming 12/5 TPC Meeting, the following are on the Agenda for discussion and approval:

- 1) 428 Deer Woods Lane – Private Driveway
- 2) 1197 Big Bay Road – Primary Dwelling
- 3) 3469 Big Bay Road – Land Use Permit Extension
- 4) 2661 Big Bay Road – Potential Property Reconfiguration

For the December 2025 Monthly Update, this summary will include a year over year comparison with 2024.

Site Visits

Site visits are critical to our understanding of the proposed projects submitted by property owners and help facilitate our review of land use permit applications. These visits also allow me to better understand the property owner's goals and to be able to share information as I see it. Providing on-going good customer service is important to me.

During November, I participated in 7 site visits (listed below):

November 4th – 1045 Sunny Slope

November 6th – 1858 North Shore Road

November 10th – 428 Deer Woods Lane

November 13th – 1061 Miller Road

November 25th – Light Industrial Park, 1197 Big Bay Road, 3469 Big Bay Road

Processing Complaints

During October, 5 additional potential zoning complaints were received by the Zoning Office.

During November, I briefed the TPC with the high-level details of the complaints received, and sent out a letter to each property owner letting them know that a complaint had been filed, and had an initial discussion with each property owner. I continue to research each complaint and will be working with the TPC in the next few weeks attempting to reach a resolution.

Lessons Learned Open House with Stakeholders – December 10th (12:30 pm to 2 pm)

During November, I have been coordinating with our Town Building Inspector and a representative with Ashland County Zoning scheduling a Lessons Learned Open House at Town Hall on December 10th from 12:30 pm to 2 pm. Both the Town's Building Inspector and the representative from Ashland County Zoning Office will be on the Island in person for the Open House. We have identified, and included on the Agenda, items that we will talk about with the contractors; things that we saw during 2025 where friendly reminders and the sharing of information would help the overall process. Equally important will be an opportunity for the Contractors to let the Town and County know about areas where they think that the process could be improved. This will allow us to deliver a better experience in 2026 and beyond. Public meeting notifications were posted around town and invitations were emailed to 43 potential attendees (from both Island contractors and Mainland contractors) on November 18th. A reminder email will be sent about a week before the event. Participants can attend in person, via a zoom link or watch live on YouTube. A recording of the meeting will be available as well.

Coordination with UDC Building Inspector

Projects run well with great communication and coordination between the Town, the Building Inspector and property owners. Communication and coordination continues to be great with the

UDC Building Inspector that translates well with the residents. We have bi-weekly meetings at Town Hall and more often have email and phone conversations as we continue to work through projects. The goal is to not impede any property owner's construction.

Coordination Continues with our Zoning Administrator Partners in Ashland County

Regularly scheduled 30-minute coordination meetings continued between the Town and Ashland County. During the month, meetings occurred on 11/2 and 11/18, with regular email coordination between meetings.

These meetings continue to streamline our coordination efforts in an attempt keep projects moving on the Island. Each governmental unit prepares a list of items to talk about and then each topic is covered during the meeting. Examples of topics for November included the process for permit renewals (or renewal of a renewal), coordination on sanitary permit submittals, coordination for the December 10th Lessons Learned Open House, change in contractor notifications/process, and permitting requirements for lift structures down to the shoreline.

Supporting the Short-Term Rental Administrator

The Short-Term Rental Administrator and I continue to coordinate on a regular basis. During November we continued to work the written complaint that we received in August as well as additional new complaints, all regarding events occurring at the same property address. We worked with the Town's attorney and have a draft final letter to the property owner to be reviewed and discussed at the TPC Meeting on December 3rd.

The Short-Term Rental Administrator continues to make significant progress on collections. At the end of November, of the approximate 138 (112 short term and 26 commercial) property owners participating in the program, the number of owners owing payments sits at 8. She is doing a great job!

Accounting Manager Report

November 2025

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1. Completed Items:

- a. 2026 Budget Workshops round two.
- b. 2026 Budget Summary and Levy prepared for the Special Town meeting 12/4/25.

2. Ongoing Items:

- a. Financial Working Group: Cash Flow Analysis working on forecasting cash flow out to 2026-2028.
- b. Kerber Rose Accounting Support: one meeting this month was held to discuss 2026 contract for services with KR.
- c. Train Katie Kisner, Harbor Commission Administrative Officer, on Workhorse.

3. Upcoming Items:

- a. 2026 Levy Limit approved by the Town at Special Town meeting 12/4/25.
- b. 2026 Budget approved by the Town Board 12/4/25.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Brown

Accounting Manager

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LA POINTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MADELINE ISLAND
270 MAIN STREET
LA POINTE, WISCONSIN 54850

PHONE: (715) 747-6913
FAX: (715) 747-3096
police@townoflapointewi.gov

(5) TB, TA, #, Clerk, PD, P. 5010

To: Town Board
From: Thom Rossberger
Date: 12/8/2025
Re: Monthly Police Report for November 2025

During the month of November, the La Pointe Police responded to the following:

- 23 Incidents/Complaints (calls for service)
- 12 Traffic Stops
- 6 Citizen Assists
- 0 Accidents
- 0 Civil Process
- 6 EMS calls
- 0 False Alarm/911 hang up calls.
- 2 Call Out
- 4 Animal Calls.
- 0 Parking Citations

The Department has had a reduction of calls for service. The issue with dogs has been addressed and the number of Animal Calls has dropped. La Pointe officers have been instructed to take enforcement action with animal complaints. If anyone has issues, please report to Ashland-Bayfield dispatch (715) 373-6120 or 911 if it is an emergency.

There was a vandalism at the Middle Road Cemetery, and several headstones and markers were driven on and knocked about. There was no permanent damage. Officers have no further information regarding the suspect(s) currently and if anyone has information, please come forward to report it.

We are finalizing Part Time Ofc. Richard Laakonen's employment process, and we will be able to field him for patrol when needed. Part Time Ofc Alan Lindquist signed up and started his EMT training to become a member of the La Pointe Ambulance. This time of year, Officers are relied upon heavily, and often are the only EMT on duty with an EMR.

As you know Chief Defoe has returned to duty. Chief Defoe said he is retiring March 13, 2026. During the next few months, I, Sgt. Rossberger, will be working with Chief Defoe to learn the intricacies of the Chief's position.

If there are any questions or if you wish to discuss things within the department, please feel free to contact me.

SGT TJ Rossberger

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Outlook

Monthly fire reports

From joseph wiltz <wiltz32@gmail.com>

Date Tue 12/2/2025 9:51 AM

To Alex Smith <clerk@townoflapointewi.gov>; Max Imholte <administrator@townoflapointewi.gov>

Monthly Fire Department Report – Town of LaPointe

Acting Fire Chief Wiltz,

Below is the monthly report for the Town of LaPointe Board:

Town of LaPointe Fire Department

Monthly Report

From the Office of the Fire Chief

First, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Chief Reichkitzer for his dedication, mentorship, and commitment to the Town of LaPointe and our fire department. We also offer prayers and support to Chief Reichkitzer and his partner Joan as they continue their recovery from recent health challenges and personal loss.

Incident Report:

This month, the Dunn family suffered a tragic loss due to a structure fire. LaPointe Fire was dispatched and arrived on scene nine minutes after dispatch, finding the residence and nearby vehicles fully engulfed. Despite considerable efforts from responding crews, the structure was a total loss. The Dunn family was able to escape with minor injuries.

Training:

The department trained with EMS on EVOC (Emergency Vehicle Operations Course), focusing on safe driving procedures and emergency vehicle operations.

Fire Prevention and Compliance:

The department has been conducting commercial fire inspections throughout town. These inspections are required for state funding and also help prevent fires before they occur.

Administrative Updates:

Points for good standing and compensation for calls and meetings have been entered and recorded with the town.

The town has approved funding for a used tanker to replace our existing unit, which has a failing tank. We are currently pursuing options within our budget and will keep the board updated as information becomes available.

Respectfully submitted,
Acting Fire Chief Jay Wiltz
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Madeline Island Ambulance Service
Monthly Report – November 2025
Respectfully Submitted by: Sarah Schram, Director

Call Volume

- The Madeline Island Ambulance Service responded to six (6) calls during the month of November 2025.
- This brings our year-to-date total to 99 calls.
- For comparison, the service responded to 75 total calls in 2024, marking a continued upward trend in service demand.

Training & Education

EVOC Training

- On November 7–8, staff completed an EVOC (Emergency Vehicle Operations Course) through Northwood Technical College.
- The course included classroom lecture and hands-on driving exercises.
- This training ensures safe, effective ambulance operation by all drivers.

Upcoming Refresher Courses

- Refresher training will begin in January.
- License renewal requirements:
 - EMTs: 40 hours of coursework
 - EMRs: 15 hours of coursework
- Refresher education will again be completed through Northwood Tech.

Staff Development

- The service currently has four students either enrolled, or preparing to enroll, in the Allied Medical Training EMT course to obtain EMT licensure.
- Three of these individuals are current EMRs, and one is a police officer.
- The addition of these new EMTs will significantly strengthen our staffing and enhance overall service capability.

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TOWN OF LA POINTE – BOARD BRIEFING MEMO

Childcare Infrastructure Needs & Options for Town Involvement

Town Board Meeting Date: 12/9/25 , 12/4/25

Prepared for: Town Board of Supervisors

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Madeline Island is experiencing a significant demographic shift, with five children born in 2024–2025 and at least four more expected in early 2026. For a year-round population of approximately 300–350 residents, this constitutes a major proportional “baby boom.”

The Town’s 2024 Comprehensive Plan Amendment (the “Comprehensive Plan”) clearly identifies childcare as a core strategic priority. In the Critical Priorities section, the Town commits to:

*“Removing barriers to family success: affordable housing, food access, child care, health care.”
(Town of La Pointe Comprehensive Plan Amendment 2024, p. 4)*

The Island currently has no licensed childcare provider. Families rely entirely on informal, individually arranged childcare and babysitting. This impedes workforce participation, discourages young families from staying year-round, and constrains economic development.

This briefing memo outlines options for Town involvement in addressing the childcare gap on Madeline Island, with an emphasis on approaches that are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, fiscally responsible, and operationally realistic.

BACKGROUND: CHILDCARE AS CRITICAL COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE

The Comprehensive Plan emphasizes that community sustainability depends on maintaining a stable, diverse, and intergenerational population. The Plan’s Vision states:

“The Town supports sustainable year-round living through access to essential services, a resilient economy, and a healthy community.”

Childcare is a foundational “essential service” because it affects workforce stability, family retention, housing decisions, and school enrollment. Without reliable childcare, families with young children are less likely to remain on the Island, and employers struggle to recruit and retain staff.

Key Impacts Identified

1. Workforce Impacts

- Lack of childcare limits the hours and seasons during which parents can work.
- Town departments, EMS, ferry operations, retail, hospitality, and trades all report difficulty maintaining a stable workforce.

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- Seasonal workers with children may decline Island-based positions due to the absence of formal childcare.

These challenges align with the Comprehensive Plan's Guiding Principle to "support the workforce needed for a healthy community and economy."

2. Population Stability

- Families frequently consider leaving or do leave the Island once infants reach toddler age because childcare options are limited.
- Prospective new families may be reluctant to relocate to the Island without a clear childcare solution.
- School enrollment and long-term viability are affected when early-childhood families decide they cannot remain year-round.

The Comprehensive Plan calls for strategies that "strengthen the community by supporting families and multigenerational living."

3. Economic Development

- Businesses identify childcare as a barrier to hiring and retaining employees.
- Lack of childcare influences whether workers can take on full-time, year-round roles or must limit their employment to seasonal or part-time work.
- Housing and investment decisions are increasingly tied to the availability of family support services like childcare.

The Comprehensive Plan treats family services, including childcare, as part of the Town's economic and community resilience strategy, rather than as an isolated social issue.

DEMAND SUMMARY

Based on known and anticipated births, at least nine infants and toddlers will reside on Madeline Island by early 2026. In rural communities, small licensed childcare programs are often considered viable starting at approximately five to six enrolled children.

Madeline Island therefore meets or exceeds the typical threshold for a sustainable childcare program. Additional seasonal and extended-family childcare needs would likely increase demand further.

This directly advances the Comprehensive Plan's direction to "ensure that services and infrastructure meet the needs of year-round residents."

OPTIONS FOR TOWN INVOLVEMENT (ALIGNED WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN)

The Comprehensive Plan recognizes that the Town may need to act directly or collaboratively to ensure access to essential services. Under Community Facilities and Services, the Plan encourages "exploring creative and collaborative approaches to service provision where traditional market mechanisms are insufficient." Childcare on Madeline Island is a clear example of such a market gap.

Option A — Town-Owned, Privately Operated Childcare Center

- The Town provides or constructs a childcare facility (for example, a modular classroom on Town-owned land).
- A private, licensed childcare operator manages day-to-day operations, staffing, and regulatory compliance.
- Operating costs are primarily supported by parent fees and any available operating subsidies.
- The Town retains control through ownership of the facility and a lease or operating agreement.

This model is widely used in rural communities. It is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan's goal to support families and year-round residents with essential services, while managing Town liability and cost exposure.

Option B — Town-Supported Childcare Cooperative

- Parents and community members form a cooperative childcare entity.
- The Town provides suitable space, basic furnishings, and modest start-up or insurance support as legally permissible.
- The cooperative hires qualified early childhood staff and sets fees, policies, and schedules.
- Governance comes from the member families, with the Town's role focused on infrastructure and facilitation.

This approach reflects the Comprehensive Plan's emphasis on collaboration, local engagement, and community-driven solutions.

Option C — Municipal / Tribal / Nonprofit Partnership

- The Town partners with a regional provider (such as a tribal early childhood program or county nonprofit) for staffing and licensing expertise.
- The Town provides or hosts the physical facility, while the partner operates the childcare program.
- This spreads risk and leverages regional experience in early childhood education.

This option aligns with the Comprehensive Plan's call for regional collaboration where appropriate.

IMMEDIATE LOW-COST SUPPORT ACTIONS (30–60 DAYS)

The following steps can be taken quickly, at low cost, and are fully consistent with the Comprehensive Plan's incremental, community-driven approach.

1. Town-Managed Childcare & Babysitter Registry

- Create and maintain a voluntary registry of babysitters and part-time caregivers who are available on the Island.
- Encourage (and where practical, assist) with basic background checks or references.
- Make the registry accessible to parents through the Town's website or Clerk's office.

2. Streamlined Zoning for In-Home Childcare

- Review and, if necessary, adjust zoning and conditional use provisions to make it easier to establish small family childcare homes.
- Consider allowing accessory structures to be used for licensed childcare, subject to building and safety codes.
- Treat childcare as critical workforce infrastructure when interpreting land use policies.

This supports the Comprehensive Plan objective to “enable flexible and community-oriented housing and land use solutions.”

3. Training & Licensing Support

- Provide modest financial support to cover required state training courses for Island residents who wish to become childcare assistants or family childcare providers.
- Share information about online and regional training opportunities.
- Encourage development of multiple caregivers with formal qualifications to build local capacity.

These actions are consistent with the Plan’s emphasis on workforce development, family support, and resilient year-round living.

SITE & FACILITY OPTIONS

1. Harry Nelson Recreation Center (Corrected Assessment)

The Harry Nelson Recreation Center was recently renovated to provide ADA-compliant public restrooms, which significantly reduced available interior space. The remaining interior areas are not sufficient to support a licensed childcare program without substantial reconstruction to meet Wisconsin Department of Children and Families (DCF) childcare licensing standards (square footage, child-safe bathrooms, egress, etc.).

Conclusion: The Harry Nelson Recreation Center is not a viable primary location for a licensed childcare facility. It may, however, serve as a supplemental space for outdoor programming, parent meetings, or administrative functions.

2. Modular / Prefabricated Childcare Classroom (Most Viable Option)

Given the limited availability of suitable Town-owned indoor space, a modular childcare classroom placed on Town-owned land is the most practical and fundable building solution.

- Purpose-built to meet DCF childcare licensing requirements from the outset.
- Relatively rapid deployment, often within 4–6 months from order to installation.
- Eligible for USDA Rural Development (Community Facilities) and Wisconsin DCF infrastructure grants.
- Scalable and relocatable, allowing the Town to adjust as demand changes.
- Lower overall cost than most new brick-and-mortar construction for a similar use.

Potential placement locations include:

- Adjacent to Town Hall.
- On land near the Harry Nelson Recreation Center.

- Near an existing schoolhouse or community activity area, if the land is Town-owned and accessible year-round.
- Any centrally located, accessible Town parcel able to accommodate safe drop-off and pick-up.

Approximate cost ranges (order-of-magnitude estimates):

- Single-classroom modular unit (6–8 children): \$175,000–\$350,000 installed.
- Double-classroom modular unit (infant and toddler rooms): \$300,000–\$550,000 installed.

USDA Rural Development may fund up to approximately 75% of eligible capital costs, with the Town responsible for the remaining share through local funds, donations, or partnerships. This approach meets multiple Comprehensive Plan directives, including supporting the workforce, prioritizing services that allow families to live and thrive year-round, and investing wisely in community facilities so that they effectively meet priority needs.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

1. Wisconsin DCF Childcare Infrastructure Grants

- Prioritize rural and underserved communities, including childcare deserts.
- Can fund modular facilities, renovations, safety improvements, and outdoor play spaces.

2. USDA Rural Development – Community Facilities Program

- Highly suitable for an isolated rural community such as Madeline Island.
- Can provide grants and/or loans covering a large portion of capital costs, in some cases up to 75%.
- Explicitly supports construction, renovation, or purchase of essential community facilities, including childcare centers.

3. Workforce & Economic Development Grants

- Because childcare access is closely linked to workforce stability, the Town may be eligible for regional workforce or tourism-related grants.
- Additional opportunities may arise under future federal or state childcare stabilization and economic recovery programs.

Pursuing these funding sources is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan’s emphasis on leveraging outside resources and partnerships to support community goals.

SUGGESTED TOWN BOARD TASK FORCE ACTION STEPS

To ensure that childcare planning is community-driven, transparent, and aligned with the Comprehensive Plan, the Town Board may wish to create a temporary advisory body such as a “Madeline Island Childcare Task Force.” Suggested steps include:

- Draft and adopt a formal Board resolution creating the Task Force, stating its purpose, scope, and duration.

- Specify the Task Force's charge, such as: assessing childcare needs, evaluating facility and funding options, and recommending a preferred model to the Board.
- Define membership (for example, parents of young children, employers, a Town Board representative, a childcare professional if available, and at-large community members).
- Set a target timeline (for example, an initial report within 90–120 days).
- Direct the Task Force to review the Comprehensive Plan excerpts related to families, workforce, and essential services to ensure alignment.
- Provide staff support (e.g., from the Clerk/Treasurer's office) for meeting noticing, minutes, and basic research support.
- Invite the Task Force to identify grant opportunities and potential operating partners as part of its final recommendation.

This approach reflects the Comprehensive Plan's emphasis on community collaboration, local engagement, and implementing achievable improvements that support long-term resilience.

RECOMMENDED PHASED APPROACH

Phase 1 (30–60 days): Planning and Community Engagement

- Adopt a resolution establishing the Madeline Island Childcare Task Force and appoint members.
- Identify candidate Town parcels suitable for a modular childcare classroom, considering access, utilities, and safety.
- Conduct a community childcare needs survey (online and paper) to document current and projected childcare needs.
- Begin compiling information required for USDA Rural Development and Wisconsin DCF grant applications.

Phase 2 (60–180 days): Facility and Operator Development

- Obtain preliminary cost estimates and conceptual site plans for one- and two-classroom modular facilities.
- Issue a Request for Interest (RFI) to potential private operators and/or cooperative organizers.
- Evaluate partnership options with tribal or county early childhood providers.
- Prepare and submit grant applications to USDA Rural Development, Wisconsin DCF, and any relevant workforce or economic development programs.

Phase 3 (6–18 months): Construction, Launch, and Evaluation

- Secure funding commitments and finalize design and site selection.
- Purchase and install the modular childcare facility.
- Execute lease or operating agreements with the selected provider or cooperative.
- Open the childcare program with an initial capacity of approximately 6–10 children, with room to adjust as demand evolves.
- After the first full year of operation, evaluate the program's performance and consider adjustments or expansion if warranted.

CONCLUSION

The Town of La Pointe's 2024 Comprehensive Plan Amendment explicitly identifies childcare as one of the critical barriers to family success, placing it alongside affordable housing, food access, and health care. The Plan's guiding principles emphasize supporting families, enabling year-round living, and ensuring access to essential services.

A Town-facilitated childcare solution—most likely through a modular, grant-supported facility operated by a private provider or cooperative—would directly implement these adopted policy goals. Such an initiative would support young families, strengthen workforce reliability, encourage year-round residency, and enhance long-term community stability.

Pursuing this path is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan's overarching vision for “a sustainable year-round living environment supported by essential services and a resilient community.” By taking measured, phased steps—beginning with the creation of a Childcare Task Force—the Town can move toward a practical, fiscally responsible childcare solution that reflects the Island's values and priorities.

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-1209
A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A "MADELINE ISLAND CHILDCARE TASK
FORCE"**

WHEREAS, the Town of La Pointe's 2024 Comprehensive Plan Amendment (the "Comprehensive Plan") identifies as a critical priority "removing barriers to family success: affordable housing, food access, child care, health care"; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan's Vision states that "the Town supports sustainable year-round living through access to essential services, a resilient economy, and a healthy community"; and

WHEREAS, Madeline Island is currently experiencing a notable increase in births and young families, representing a significant demographic shift for a small year-round population; and

WHEREAS, there is presently no licensed childcare provider on Madeline Island, and families rely entirely on informal childcare arrangements, creating barriers to year-round residency, workforce participation, and economic stability; and

WHEREAS, local employers, including the Town, the Madeline Island Ferry Line, and Island businesses, face ongoing staffing challenges directly affected by the availability of childcare; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan encourages the Town to "explore creative and collaborative approaches to service provision where traditional market mechanisms are insufficient"; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to evaluate options for facilitating reliable childcare services on Madeline Island in a manner that is fiscally responsible, aligned with the Comprehensive Plan, and informed by community input;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin, that:

1. Creation of Task Force.

There is hereby created an advisory body to the Town Board known as the "Madeline Island Childcare Task Force" ("Task Force").

2. Purpose and Charge.

The Task Force shall study and make recommendations to the Town Board regarding childcare needs, potential childcare models, facility and site options, available funding sources, and a phased implementation strategy consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

3. Membership.

The Task Force shall consist of five members appointed by the Town Chair and confirmed by the Town Board.

4. Meetings and Process.

The Task Force shall comply with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law. Town staff may provide reasonable administrative support. The Task Force is encouraged to hold at least one public listening session or survey.

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The Task Force shall provide an initial update within 90 days of its first meeting and a written report with findings and recommendations within 120–180 days, or as directed by the Town Board.

The Task Force is advisory only and has no authority to bind the Town, expend funds, or enter into contracts.

Unless extended by Town Board action, the Task Force shall sunset one year from the date of this Resolution or upon acceptance of its final report, whichever occurs later.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2025, by the Town Board of the Town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin.

Attest: _____ Town Clerk

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
RESOLUTION #2025-1209 B
APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION INSPECTORS**

Pursuant to §7.30(4) of the Wisconsin State Statutes, the Chair of the Town of La Pointe nominates the following electors of the Town of La Pointe to be appointed as Election Inspectors and Chief Inspectors for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

Chief Election Inspectors

Aimee Baxter
Terry Hardie
Christopher Rowson

Election Inspectors

Seri Demorest
Nancy Romundstad
Nora Taylor
Chris Wolfe
Kathy Wroblewski
Susan Widmar

Glenn Carlson, Chair

Date Passed

Michael Anderson, Supervisor

Clerk Attest

Aimée Baxter, Supervisor

Date Posted

Sue Brenna, Supervisor

Samantha Dobson, Supervisor

TOWN OF LA POINTE
2026 SCHEDULE OF FEES EXHIBIT A

Approved by Town Board on 12/XX/2025

Items require sales tax unless charge notes that sales tax is included

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Ambulance

Ambulance Base Charge	\$1,400.00
Loaded Mileage	\$15.00/mile
Non-Transport Charge (if vitals are taken)	\$250.00
General Lift Assist ONLY	\$150.00
Intercept with Ashland Fire Dept	\$1,700.00
Special Event Charges	
1 Ambulance, 2 EMT's for 4-hour event	\$400.00
Additional EMT/EMR for 4-hour event	\$90.00 for each additional EMT \$75.00 for each additional EMR
Additional EMT/EMR for event over 4 hours	\$90.00 per hour for each additional EMT \$75.00 per hour for each additional EMR

GREENWOOD CEMETERY

Burial (Vault)

May 1 - Oct. 31 (Sexton: \$505.00; Town: \$1,045.00)	\$1,550.00 \$1,825.00
Nov. 1 - Apr. 30 (Sexton: \$560.00; Town: \$1,265.00)	
Burial (Cremains) excavation up to 18" x 18" x 18"	
May 1 - Oct. 31 (Sexton: \$225.00; Town: \$225.00)	\$450.00
Nov. 1 - Apr. 30 (Sexton: \$270.00; Town: \$330.00)	\$600.00
Excavations larger than 18" x 18" x 18"	\$50.00 additional
Burial Plot	\$800.00/gravesite
Deed Transfers	\$25.00

Finance & Taxation

Accommodation Tax Permit	\$20.00
Accommodation Tax due quarterly	8.0% of accommodation rental
Delinquent Accommodation Tax Returns	\$50.00 late filing fee plus a penalty of 10% of the tax due
Revocation or suspension of tax permit	\$50.00 for renewal of revoked or suspended permit
Returned check charge	\$50.00 (may also be subject to other penalties or fees as provided by law)
Tax-Exempt Filing Fee (all tax-exempt properties except for a church)	\$20.00 filing fee per parcel
Late Tax-Exempt Filing Fee	\$100.00 late fee if not remitted by March 31

Administrative billing costs (not for routine billing such as permits, leases, public record requests, etc.)	4.5% of the amount billed or \$10.00 whichever is greater
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Fire Department

Ice Rescue	
Husky Windsled and Operator	\$400.00/hour plus personnel \$250.00 for each additional hour
Personnel	\$60.00/hour for each officer \$50.00/hour for each EMT \$50.00/hour for each Ice Rescue person \$200/hour for each Windsled Operator
Outdoor and Refuse Burning	\$10.00 per year Burning Barrel Permit Fee
Unpermitted outdoor burn, an outdoor burn that violates permit restrictions, or a burn that gets out of control.	\$500.00
Water Services	\$0.03/gallon; \$200 minimum
False Alarm	\$150.00/3rd incident in a calendar year 500.00/ each additional incident in a calendar year

INTOXICATING LIQUOR AND FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGES

Special Town Board meeting specifically for review/decision/issuance of liquor license applications including: Class "A", "Class A", Class "B", "Class B", Reserve "Class B", "Class C", operators or provisional operators license	\$200.00
§125.25 Class "A" Retail sale of Fermented Malt Beverages for consumption off the premise and in original packaging (beer)	\$200.00 yearly
§125.26 Class "B" Retail sale of Fermented Malt Beverages for consumption on or off the premises (beer)	\$100.00 yearly
§125.51 "Class C" Retail sale of wine by the glass on the premises	\$100.00 yearly
§125.51 "Class A" Retail sale of Intoxicating Liquor for consumption off the premises and only in original packages or containers	\$500.00 yearly
§125.51 "Class B" Retail sale of Intoxicating Liquor for consumption on premises by the glass	\$500.00 yearly
§125.51 Reserve "Class B" Retail sale of Fermented Malt Beverages (beer) & Intoxicating Liquor by the glass	\$500.00 yearly
§125.51 "Class B" license for a full-service restaurant with interior seating capacity of 300 or more persons	\$500.00 yearly
§125.26 Temporary Class "B" (Picnic) Beer and/or Wine to be sold at picnics by clubs	\$10.00 each

§125.17 Provisional Operator license issued to applicants enrolled in responsible beverage-server training course	\$15.00 yearly
§125.17(4) Temporary Operator License. Issued only to persons employed by or donating their services to nonprofit corporations. Limited to one license per year. Valid from 1 to 14 days	\$10.00
§125.17 Operator License. <i>License is good for two years</i>	\$27.00 includes background check
§134.65 Cigarette and Tobacco Products Retail License	\$100.00 yearly
§125.04 Publishing Fee (Fee presently charged for publishing by the Ashland Daily Press)	\$25.00 yearly
§125.06 Change of Agent	\$17.00 includes background check
§66.0433 Non-Intoxicating Beverage License (soda/water)	\$20.00 yearly for consumption on premises; \$5 yearly for consumption off premises

MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY

Garbage	\$ 5.00 per 13-gallon bag \$ 7.00 per 20-gallon bag \$10.00 per 33-gallon bag \$12.00 per 55-gallon bag
<i>Garbage: The bag size will be determined by MRF Attendant</i>	
Mattresses/Box Springs	\$30.00 per single \$35.00 per double \$45.00 per queen \$50.00 per king
All Furniture (couch, chair, recliner, table, etc.)	\$40.00 each
TVs and Computers less than 30"	\$40.00 each
TVs and Computers more than 30"	\$55.00 each
VCR, Radio, DVD & all other electronics	All Other Electronics - \$1.50 per pound
Demolition & Construction	Pick-up Load \$175.00 One-Ton Truck \$300.00 Dump truck/Dump trailer \$475.00
<i>The amount charged will be at the discretion of the MRF Attendants</i>	
Scrap Metal	Free
<i>The amount charged will be at the discretion of the MRF Attendants, who reserve the right to refuse any</i>	
Business Recyclables (<i>must be in clear bags</i>)	
Sorted Recyclables	\$ 5.00 per bag/container
Unsorted Recyclables	\$35.00 per bag/container
<i>Only aluminum cans, paper and cardboard will be free</i>	
Major Commercial Appliances	\$50.00 - \$150.00
Major Appliances	
Refrigerator, Freezer, Etc.	\$55.00

A/C units	\$35.00
Microwaves	\$10.00 - \$35.00
Lawn Mowers	
Push Lawnmower	\$10 + \$10 if not drained of fluids
Riding Lawnmower without tires	\$30 + \$10 if not drained of fluids
Riding Lawnmower with tires	\$80 + \$10 if not drained of fluids
Grills	No fee
Exercise bikes/equipment/treadmills	\$10.00 - \$35.00

The amount charged will be at the discretion of the MRF Attendants

Bicycles	No fee
Boats/Campers	MRF attendants discretion \$200.00 minimum

The amount charged will be at the discretion of the MRF Attendants, who reserve the right to refuse any

Lead Acid Batteries	free
Power Tool Batteries	\$2.00
Tires with or without rims	\$25.00
Drain Oil	\$1.50
Oil Filters	\$1.50 each
Gasoline or Diesel Fuel	\$20/gal
Fryer Grease	\$1.00per gallon
Antifreeze	\$2.50 per gallon
Bulk Glass	\$5.00 per 33-gallon to 55-gallon drum/bag
Paint - Haz Mat	\$5.00 - \$50.00/gallon, depending on material
Fluorescent tubes	\$4.00 4 feet and under
	\$6.00 Over 4 feet
P.C.B Ballast	\$3.00/pound
Non P.B.C. Ballast	\$1.50/pound
Punch cards	\$25 value - \$20.00
	\$50 value - \$40.00
	\$200 value - \$160
Plastic MRF Card	25% Discount on all sales
House Account Administrative Fees	4% of the amount billed or \$10.00 whichever is greater
Late Fee For House Account Invoices	1.5% Per month per Town Ordinance 388-2
Ordinance 388-1: No person or business shall dump or dispose of garbage, waste or refuse in the Town of La Pointe sanitary landfill site, recycling site, demolition/construction site or transfer site if the person or business has unpaid landfill tipping fees in arrears 60 days or more.	

MRF will accept cars, boats, trailers and other large items based on the value of scrap metal.

NMV

New NMV Permit Application	\$150.00
Renewal NMV Permit	\$50.00/permit/year
Impound Lot	\$50.00 hauling fee plus \$25.00/day
Commercial NMV Business Permit	\$40.00

PARK AND REC FACILITY RENTALS

Campground Fees

Tents (no more than 2 tents/site)	\$35.00/night
RVs	\$45.00/night
Cancellation charge	One night's reservation fee for cancellations 7 days or more in advance. Full reservation fee for cancellations less than 7 days in advance. Contact park for future credit on hardship claims.

Shelter and Building Rentals

Fees waived for nonprofit 501(c)3 organization. Must be listed as La Pointe property owner and submit IRS letter of status. Security deposit required even if fee is

Rec Center Shelter	^{waived} \$130.00/day plus sales tax
Rec Center Building	\$130.00/day plus sales tax
Russell Park	\$130.00/day plus sales tax
Joni's Beach Shelter	\$130.00/day plus sales tax
Big Bay Town Park Shelter	\$130.00/day (4-hour limit) plus sales tax
Refundable Security Deposit	\$130.00/day plus sales tax

Police

Computer Disks	Computer Disks or Flash Drives: \$20.00 includes sales tax
Fingerprinting	\$15.00
Process Serving	\$75.00
Vehicle Crash Report	\$10.00
Redaction of police video	\$30.00/hr.
False Alarm	\$150.00/3rd incident in a calendar year
	\$500.00/each additional incident in a calendar year

PRINTING AND COPYING FEES

8 1/2 x 11	\$0.35/page includes sales tax (B&W only)
11 x 17	\$0.50/page includes sales tax
Computer Disks (CDs)	Computer Disks or Flash Drives \$10.00 includes sales tax
Fax (outgoing/includes toll-free numbers	\$0.50/page includes sales tax
Fax (incoming)	\$0.35/page includes sales tax
Certified Copies (originals only)	\$0.25 each page requiring seal
Public Record Requests	\$30.00/hour; there shall be no charge for locating a record unless the actual cost to do so exceeds \$50, in which case the cost shall be \$30.00 an hour in accordance with §19.35(3)
Copies for Public Records Request	\$0.33/page (sales tax not charged for public records request)

Code of Ordinances
(also available on Town website: townoflapointewi.gov)

Computer Disks or Flash Drives: \$10.00 includes sales tax

Special Events

Application required for planned events. (Does not include July 4th parade, impromptu events.)

2 separate checks: 1 check for permit Permit \$150.00
1 check for deposit Deposit \$100.00 (refundable)

Note: This permit includes agreement to pay for cleanup, staffing and other costs incurred by the Town for the event, with 50% of anticipated costs due with the permit application.

Vehicles & Traffic

Extended Parking Permit Town Lot A

Summer (6 months 5/1 - 10/31) \$100.00 plus sales tax
Winter (6 months 11/1 - 4/30) \$100.00 plus sales tax
Annual (12 months 5/1 - 4/30) \$150.00 plus sales tax

Extended Parking Permit Town Lots R and W

1 month: \$40 plus sales tax
3 months: \$100 plus sales tax
6 months: \$150 plus sales tax
12 months: \$200 plus sales tax

Impound Lot

\$25.00/day for each vehicle, trailer and other personal property
\$50 hauling fee if done by Town; full towing fee if done by private service. Fee is per vehicle.

ZONING PERMIT FEES

La Pointe Zoning: 715-747-2707

Ashland County and State Sanitary Permits: 715-682-7014

Madeline Sanitary Permits: 715-747-6923

Administrative costs for warrantless complaints may be assessed to the complainant

Town of La Pointe Land Use Permit \$75.00 + \$0.40/sq. ft.
Extension (see application) \$75.00
Transfer \$75.00

Outdoor Seating (for restaurants and other businesses utilizing Town parkland, sidewalks or right of way) \$200 annually + \$0.25/sq. ft.

County Land Use Permit Refer to Ashland County Fee Schedule for land that is within 1,000 feet of the lakeshore

Board of Appeals \$750.00
Variance Request \$750.00
Conditional Use Permit \$750.00
Certified Survey Map \$250.00
Petition for Zoning Map/Text Change \$1,500.00
Rental Permits

Long Term (30 days or more)	Initial application: \$10 per unit; application when property changes ownership, \$10 per unit. There is not annual renewal fee.
Short Term (less than 30 days)	Initial application: \$500 per unit; annual renewal: \$350 per unit. Annual renewal fee is due on or before June 14.
Events (required in specified zoning districts for dwelling units with Short-Term Rental Permit)	\$450 per event
Rental without a permit	Fee doubles; fee quadruples upon failure to comply after 30 days' notification
<u>Subdivision Map/Plat Map</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>
Provide 20 copies plus original	
Minor Lot Subdivision/Certified Survey Map	\$250.00
Provide 15 copies plus original	
Special Meeting of the Town Plan Commission	\$500.00/meeting
Permits for Other Activities	
Addition/Alteration	Requires a Land Use Permit
Change of Land Use	\$75.00
Fire Number	\$175.00 (up to two)
Home Business	\$50.00
Home Occupation	\$50.00
Land Disturbing Activity	Requires a Land Use Permit
Long Term Camping Unit	Requires a Land Use Permit
Move Structures	Requires a Land Use Permit
Road Access/Driveway Extension	\$75.00
Signs	\$75.00
Late Fee Schedule	
Permit fees double if project begins prior to issuance	
Permit fees quadruple upon 30 days after notification	
Project Beginning: Where applicable, project begins at Land Disturbing Activity, which is defined as any	
Cell Tower:	
Mobile Tower New Construction Land Use Permit (one-time fee)	\$3,000.00
Mobile Tower Class 1 Co-Location Land Use Permit (one-time fee)	\$3,000.00
Mobile Tower Class 2 Co-Location Land Use Permit (one-time fee)	\$500.00
Zoning Ordinance	Per-page charge, as established in Printing and Copying Fees. Also available for free on Town website: townoflapointewi.gov
Comprehensive Plan	<i>Printed version \$50.</i> Also available for free on Town website: townoflapointewi.gov
Uniform Dwelling Code (UDC) / Solar Inspection Fees	Paid directly to UDC Inspector, as per Estimated Fee Schedule posted on Town website: townoflapointe.gov

CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

This Contract for services is made and entered into between the Town of La Pointe in Ashland County, Wisconsin, (the "Town") and Big Water Apparatus LLC (the "Contractor").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Town desires to obtain the services described herein; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor represents to the Town that it has the expertise, knowledge and experience necessary to properly perform this Contract according to its terms and that it is ready, willing and able to do so,

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for the valuable consideration set forth herein, the Town and the Contractor hereby agree as follows:

1. Description of Services. The Contractor will, in accordance with the terms and provisions set forth herein, provide the Town with the following services:

Annual maintenance and repairs of all Fire Department vehicles and equipment and other services as requested. All proposed repairs to be approved by either the Chief or his designee prior to starting the work.

Such services will be provided at:

- EMS Building located at 320 Big Bay Road
- Other locations as requested/necessary

2. Payment. In exchange for the Contractor providing the Town with the services described herein, the Town will pay the Contractor the rates in Exhibit A within 30 days upon invoice.

The total amount payable by the Town to the Contractor for services under this Contract shall, in no event, exceed \$25,000 in the calendar year, unless authorized in advance by the Town Board. This limit excludes parts and equipment, for which the Town shall pay upon proper statement or invoice, as specified in Section 4.

3. Dates of Service. The services provided for herein shall be provided between January 1, 2026, and December 31, 2026.

4. Reimbursement for Expenses. The Contractor shall, prior to reimbursement, provide the Town with a supporting receipt and/or invoice for each reimbursement sought. The Town shall pay for services at the rates defined in Exhibit A, and shall pay the actual documented cost of parts and equipment. To expedite repairs, upon the Contractor submitting an itemized statement or invoice, the Town may pay in advance for equipment, supplies, shipping, and related expenses.

The Contractor shall bear all other costs and expenses under the terms of this Contract.

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5. **Specifications.** The specifications for the services to be provided by the Contractor to the Town are incorporated herein by reference as a part of this Contract.

6. **Workmanlike Manner.** The services provided by the Contractor shall be provided in a workmanlike manner consistent with the terms and provisions of this Contract.

7. **Warranty.** The Contractor warrants that:

- a) All services it provides pursuant to this Contract will be performed in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations, codes and ordinances; and
- b) Any project or work of improvement the Contractor works on pursuant to this Contract will comply when it is completed with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations, codes and ordinances; and
- c) In the event it is determined that the Contractor has breached this warranty, the Contractor will promptly, upon being notified of such breach, immediately correct and cure the breach.

8. **Compliance with Regulations.** Within five (5) business days after this Contract has been signed by the Contractor, the Contractor will provide the Town with a legible copy of each license, certificate and permit which has been issued to the Contractor evidencing that the Contractor is authorized by law to provide the services described in this Contract. Compliance with this provision is a condition precedent to the performance of this Contract.

9. **Assumption of Liability.** Each party to this Contract accepts and assumes and shall be liable and responsible for any and all damages, injuries, deaths, losses, costs, expenses, fees and charges caused by the acts, omissions and negligence of its own directors, officers, members, employees, agents and representatives and any subcontractors and shall protect, defend and hold the other party to this agreement harmless from the same.

Neither party to this Contract shall be liable or responsible for the negligence, acts or omissions of the other party or the other party's directors, officers, members, employees, agents or representatives.

10. **Hold Harmless.** The Contractor covenants that it will protect, defend, indemnify and hold the Town harmless from and against any and all claims, actions and causes of action filed or asserted by any person, entity, governmental unit or department against the Town or its supervisors, officers, employees, agents or representatives, for any damages, injury, death, losses, costs, expenses and fees or charges associated with, related to or arising from any occurrence, accident or incident caused by any negligence, act or omission of the Contractor or its officers, members, employees, agents or representatives in connection with this Contract and its performance.

11. Relationship Between Town and Contractor. With respect to this Contract, the Contractor shall be an independent contractor in regard to the Town and not an employee of the Town. As such, the Contractor shall, in accordance with §102.07(8)(b) Wisconsin Statutes:

- a) Maintain its business separate and apart from the Town.
- b) Hold a Federal Employer Identification Number for its business or else file a self-employment income tax return with the IRS reflecting its status.
- c) Control the means of performing this Contract.
- d) Incur the main expenses related to the services provided under this Contract.
- e) Be responsible for the satisfactory completion of the services provided for herein and be liable for a failure to complete the work or service specified herein.
- f) Receive the compensation provided for herein on the basis provided for herein.
- g) Realize a profit or suffer a loss under this Contract, depending on how the Contractor performs.
- h) Have continuing reoccurring business liabilities and obligations.
- i) Operate a business, the success or failure of which depends on the relationship between business receipts and expenditures.

12. Proof of Insurance. Within five (5) business days after signing this Contract, the Contractor shall file with the Town Clerk written documentation establishing that the Contractor has in effect the following types and amounts of insurance coverage:

- a) Worker's compensation insurance, if applicable.
- b) Liability insurance with limits of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

13. Default; Termination. In the event of a default by either party in the performance of an obligation under this Contract which continues for a period of twenty (20) days following written notice thereof to the party in default, the other party to this Contract may terminate this Contract by written notice to the party in default.

14. No Assignment. Neither party to this Contract may assign their rights or obligations under this Contract to another, in whole or in part, without prior written consent of the other party. Any assignment or attempted assignment in violation of this provision shall be null and void.

15. Applicable Law; Venue. This Contract shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Wisconsin. Any suit or proceeding relating to this Contract shall be venued in Ashland County, Wisconsin.

16. Entire Agreement; Amendment. This Contract sets forth the entire understanding and agreement between the parties relating to the subject of this Contract and supersedes and replaces any prior discussions, negotiations and agreements, oral or written. This Contract may be amended only by a writing signed by the undersigned.

17. Binding Contract. Each of the undersigned states they have read this Contract in its entirety, that they understand each of its terms and provisions and that they sign the same freely and voluntarily, intending to be legally bound hereby.

18. Notice. Any notice to either party under this Contract shall be in writing and be served either personally or by registered or certified mail addressed as follows:

To the Town:

Administrator
Town of La Pointe
PO Box 270
La Pointe, WI. 54850
administrator@townoflapointewi.gov
715-747-6914

To the Contractor:

Steve Adamski
Big Water Apparatus LLC
2703 County Highway A
Ashland, WI 54806
bigwaterllc@centurytel.net
715-292-0499

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this agreement this _____ day of _____, 20____.

The Town of La Pointe (the Town)

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Full Legal Name of Contractor (the Contractor)

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

EXHIBIT A

Big Water Rates for 2026:

- \$150.00/hour
- Summer travel (Ferry): \$85/hour plus Ferry Fees
- Ice Road: \$1.50/mile

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PO# 2025-29
TOWN OF LA POINTE
PO Box 270
LA POINTE, WISCONSIN 54850
715-747-6913

⑤ TB, TA, A, Clerk, Roboic

Purchase Order Form

GOVERNMENT AGENCY TAX EXEMPT
- All Sales are Tax Exempt -

Date of Request 11-24-25 Is this Expenditure Currently in the Budget? ☒ Y ☐ N
Person's Name J. Wiltz If not, where will funds come from? _____
Budget Line Item # 52200-231 Currently in budget line item \$ 20,0091.00
Project Name Tanker 3 wheels Date Needed ASAP
Purpose replace tires and wheels on tanker 3 per NFPA 3 IDOT
Amount Estimate 1980.0 Checked State Purchasing Website ☒ Y ☐ N
Date Town Board approved: _____ SDS Needed? _____
Actual Cost _____ Actual Purchase Date _____

Purchasing policy requires attaching 3 vendor quotes/estimates. Circle Selected Vendor:

Vendor #1 _____	Amount \$ _____
Vendor #2 _____	Amount \$ _____
Vendor #3 _____	Amount \$ _____

Why did you pick this vendor _____

Chairperson _____	Date _____
Supervisor #2 _____	Date _____
Supervisor #3 _____	Date _____
Supervisor #4 _____	Date _____
Supervisor #5 _____	Date _____
Town Administrator _____	Date _____

NOTE: Complete one Purchase Order for each vendor on a multi-vendor project.

CONTRACT PROCESSING

\$1,500 - \$5,000 - Signed by Town Administration ☐ YES ☐ NO
\$5,001 - Signed by Town Board ☐ YES ☐ NO Date Contract to TB _____
Publishing/posting Needed? ☐ YES ☐ NO If yes, date(s) _____

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