

Town of Hampden Board Meeting **April 21, 2026**
 Hampden Town Hall - N1291 Cty Road N
 Mailing Address - N2455 County Road A, Columbus WI 53925

Agenda/Meeting Notice Posted - Posted at the Hampden Town Hall, Leeds/Hampden Recycling Center and town's website <https://townofhampden.wi.gov>.

Call to Order - Chairman Tuschen called the meeting to order at Call to Order at 5:00pm.

Roll call - Town board members present - Chairman Tuschen, Supervisor Taylor Dahl, Supervisor Bill Hoffman, Plan Commission member Tony Trapp, Clerk Nanette Hensen and Treasurer Lori Toutant. In addition, Citizens - Brian Hopp, Nathan Gear, Garit Hughes, Ann Olson, Merle Olson were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Supervisor Hoffman.

Citizen Comments/Correspondents/Announcements -

- Wind turbine discussion
 - Open comment for environmental impacts through Friday 4/25 to be shared with PSC staff. Additional open comment period will be set at a later date with comments shared with PSC commissioner.
 - Trapp attending WTA renewable energy seminars
 - Alliant Energy presentation to the town is tentatively set for 5/19/26
- Data Center moratorium resolution
 - Resolution reviewed and discussed.
 - Hoffman made a motion to approve 2026-04-21 Resolution Relative to the Enactment of a Development Moratorium Ordinance. Seconded by Dahl. Motions passes.
 - There will be a public meeting 5/26/26 at 5:30pm at the town hall to review and discuss the ordinance.

Minutes –

- Dahl made a motion to approve minutes from the March meeting. Seconded by Hoffman. Motion passes.
- Dahl made a motion to approve minutes from the 4/8/26 closed meeting. Seconded by Tuschen. Hoffman abstained. Motion passes.

Treasurer's Report - Dahl made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report for March. Seconded by Hoffman. Motion passes. Total Funds \$383,999.82 (Checking Account \$79,065.87, Government Pool Fund \$283,035.18, cemetery CD \$21,898.77).

Payment of Bills - Request authorization to pay a total of \$15,333.93. Dahl made a motion to approve payments. Seconded by Hoffman. Motion passes.

Date	Ck.#	Name	Description	Account	Amount	Acct Desc
4/7/2026	6789	Rural Mutual Insurance Compar	Town insurance	118-51938	\$ (625.00)	118-51938 – Other insurance
4/7/2026	6790	Mary Kubly	Election work	118-51400	\$ (105.00)	118-51400 – General administration
4/7/2026	6791	Pat Madden-Ripp	Election work	118-51400	\$ (105.00)	118-51400 – General administration
4/7/2026	6792	Diana Popowski	Election work	118-51400	\$ (105.00)	118-51400 – General administration
4/7/2026	6793	Julia Hoffman	Election work	118-51400	\$ (105.00)	118-51400 – General administration
4/7/2026	6794	VOID	Election work	118-51400	\$ (105.00)	118-51400 – General administration
4/7/2026	6795	Ceylon Trinity	Election work	118-51400	\$ (105.00)	118-51400 – General administration
4/7/2026	6796	Cindi Stokely	Election work	118-51400	\$ (105.00)	118-51400 – General administration
4/21/2026	6797	TNT Lawncare LLC	snow plowing	122-53311	\$ (1,760.00)	122-53311 – Highway and street maint
4/21/2026	6798	Alliant Energy	Electricity - T Hall	118-51600	\$ (215.27)	118-51600 – General buildings and pte
4/21/2026	6799	Ace Hardware	Town hall supplies	118-51600	\$ (99.42)	118-51600 – General buildings and pte
4/21/2026	6800	GEC	board meeting & permit discus	120-52400	\$ (370.00)	120-52400 – Inspection
4/21/2026		driveway permit - Damm	Permit	105-44300	\$ 58.00	105-44300 Building permits and inspe
4/21/2026	6801	City of Columbus	ambulance fee	120-52300	\$ (2,412.52)	120-52300 – Ambulance
4/21/2026	6802	MG&E	Gas - T Hall	118-51600	\$ (92.31)	118-51600 – General buildings and pte
4/21/2026	6803	TNS Snow Removal	snow plowing	118-51601	\$ (86.25)	118-51601 – Snow removal General bu
4/21/2026	6804	Wisconsin Towns Assoc	membership dues	118-51100	\$ (1,136.14)	118-51100 – Legislative
4/21/2026	6805	columbia county clerk's office	2026 Spring Election County Fe	118-51400	\$ (1,600.32)	118-51400 – General administration
4/21/2026	6806	Madison Media Partners Lee Ad	Spring Election absentee notice	118-51400	\$ (85.50)	118-51400 – General administration
4/21/2026	6807	GEC	Inspection Fee	120-52400	\$ (250.00)	120-52400 – Inspection
4/21/2026	6808	ABT Mailcom	mail 2025 financials	118-51500	\$ (449.65)	118-51500 – Financial Administration
4/21/2026	6809	Crombie Lawncare LLC	Lawn service	118-51602	\$ (1,500.00)	118-51602 – Lawn care General buildi
4/21/2026		driveway permit - Grove	Permit	105-44300	\$ 58.00	105-44300 Building permits and inspe
4/21/2026	6810	columbia county clerk's office	Dog fees	025-50000	\$ 114.00	025-50000 Dog license paid to county
4/21/2026	6811	Columbia County Hwy & Transp	Road maintenance	122-53311	\$ (1,003.58)	122-53311 – Highway and street maint
4/21/2026	6812	Lange Enterprises	ERN sign	120-52609	\$ (49.09)	120-52609 – Emergency communicati
4/21/2026	6813	Column Software PBC	Ordinance Publication	118-51400	\$ (39.13)	118-51400 – General administration
4/21/2026	6814	GEC	data center report	120-52400	\$ (231.25)	120-52400 – Inspection
4/21/2026	6815	Miller, Spankowski & Waldinger	Legal Fees	118-51300	\$ (2,707.50)	118-51300 – Legal

- Hensen notified Rural Mutual insurance to add the new shelter to the town policy.
- SERF filing completed.
- USPS stamp increase to \$0.82 from \$0.78 effective 7/12/26. Hensen will purchase a roll of stamps prior to the increase.
- Spring Election 4/7/26 Town of Hampden Results
 - Justice of the Supreme Court - Chris Taylor 126, Maria Lazar 108
 - Court of Appeals Judge District 4 - Rachel Graham 152, write-ins 4
 - County Supervisor District 23 - David Mickelson 142, Andrew Groves 82, write-ins 1
 - School Board Member Columbus School District - John Pearson 138, Corey Ohlson-Rappe 110, write-ins 6
 - School Board Member Fall River School District - Ken Dickerson 2, Ben Beaver 0
 - School Board Member Rio Community School District - Carley Young 6, Tammy Wakeman 5
 - School Board Member Sun Prairie Area School District - Kaleena Stephan 5, Gary Benjamin 5, Isaac Sung 2, write-ins 2

Chairman Report -

- Dahl made a motion to approve the 2026 Crombie Contract for mowing. Seconded by Hoffman. Motion passes.
- Tuschen and Hoffman will attend the Columbus Fire department annual meeting 4/23 at 7pm.
- Towns of Leeds and Hampden will host the Clean Sweep event on Saturday, June 13th at the Recycling Center. Residents may bring items for disposal for a fee. Payment will be accepted by check only (no cash please).
- Waiting for Gardiner to schedule Open Book and Board of Review dates. Hensen to ensure that the town hall is not rented prior to scheduling.

Plan Commission -

- Cole Cemetery CSM filed with county.

Road Maintenance -

- The Board will review road maintenance proposals and readdress at the next Board meeting.
- County will spray for parsnip and apply stunt growth regulator in selective areas..

Other Business - None

Dahl made a motion to adjourn. Hoffman seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Next Town Board Meeting 5/19/26 5:30pm at the town hall.