

Town of Hampden
Hampden Town Hall - N1291 Cty Road N
Mailing Address - N2455 County Road A, Columbus WI 53925
Joint Board & Plan Commission Meeting July 20, 2026

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 Grove called the meeting to order at Call to Order at 5:31pm.

Pledge of Allegiance - led by Chairman Grove

Roll call - Town board and commission members present - Board Chairman Tuschen, Supervisor Taylor Dahl, Plan Chairman Scott Grove, members - Penny Croft, Tony Trapp, and Nanette Hensen. Task force member Ann Plata and citizen Ann Marie Olson were also present. Supervisor Bill Hoffman and Plan Commission member Virgin were absent.

Wind Tower Discussion -

- Tower 10 removal from PSC application
- WTA renewable energy presentation slides - no questions/comments
- Additional renewable energy training - Hensen will send session options to the group.
- Notice of PSC draft of environmental impact study (EIS) draft available and open for comment period until Aug 28th. Posted on town's website. EIS excludes evaluation of roads.
- Wind Tower Research
 - Reviewed roads and potential routes
 - Reviewed potential clauses from other towns' operating agreements
 - Town to request a representative from the Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Survey to present state's ground water model at a future Board meeting
 - Emergency services - chiefs attending next Board meeting
 - Impact to tax levy roughly \$89K
 - Discussion about recommendation to Board for operating agreement
 - Discussed pros and cons of operating agreement with Alliant
 - County in process of developing operating agreement with Alliant. Hensen to request Mickelson to attend next Board meeting.
 - Dahl made a motion for Board recommendation **NOT** to enter into an operating agreement with Alliant at this time and request further legal counsel. Seconded by Croft. Motion passes

Emergency Plan - Grove and/or Hensen to attend county educational session to develop plan

Admin - Plan commission compensation per diem paid end of year. Trapp and Croft to opt out.

Dahl made a motion to adjourn. Grove seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.