

Draft minutes

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REVIEW – June 11, 2026

The Meeting of the Board of Review for the Town of Cross Plains was called to order at 4:40 pm by Greg Hyer, Chairman of the Board of Review at the Community Center, 3734 County Road P, Cross Plains. Notice of this meeting was posted at the Community Center Town Office, Town Garage, and on the Town Website on May 21, 2026 and published in the Middleton Times Tribune and Mt. Horeb Mail on May 28, 2026.

Board of Review Member roll call: Jennifer Broberg– present; Patty Hillebrand (alternate in place of Patty Mullins, who was absent)–present; Greg Hyer–present; Tom Rhude–present; Greg Haack–present. Also present: Justin Wiersma from Associated Appraisal, LLC.

Motion was made by Greg Haack to appoint Greg Hyer as Chairman of the Board of Review. Patty Hillebrand seconded. Roll Call: Patty Hillebrand–yes, Jennifer Broberg–yes, Greg Hyer–yes, Tom Rhude–yes, Greg Haack–yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Greg Haack and seconded by Patty Hillebrand to appoint Tom Rhude as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Review. Roll Call: Patty Hillebrand–yes, Jennifer Broberg–yes, Greg Hyer–yes, Tom Rhude–yes, Greg Haack–yes. Motion carried.

Proceedings were recorded with one recorder. Greg Hyer confirmed that we have an ordinance of confidentiality relating to income/expense information. Clerk, Jennifer Broberg relayed that Open Book was held June 1, 2026 from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm at the community center. The Open Book notice was posted at the three locations listed above on April 8, 2026 and published on April 30, 2026. The notice of assessment was sent to property owners 12/15/2026. Clerk Jennifer Broberg indicated the Board of Review Member Training Affidavits was Patty Hillebrand.

Justin Wiersma stated that 2 citizens appeared on the Open Book date. There are no omitted taxes, correction of errors or double assessments.

Law changes – Justin Wiersma advised that the following items were added into the property tax rolls when personal property was removed a few years ago: cell towers, campgrounds and airport hangers. Recently cell tower operators were allowed to submit proper paperwork seeking property tax exemption.

Ratio level of assessed value for the Town is at 87% overall. Full evaluation was done in 2024 and we will likely have re-evaluation within the next 5 years. Report from the assessor: \$6,028,400 new construction & improvements (\$828,400 associated with commercial property & \$5,200,000 related to residential property). The assessments total \$444,519,900.

Land annexation of 315 acres, a house raised on Timber Lane and ag land decrease by \$100 per acre each year subsequent to re-evaluation associated with the overall increase to the tax roll at \$4,000,000.

Justin Wiersma presented the 2026 Roll of Assessment to the Clerk. Jennifer Broberg, Clerk accepted and signed the Affidavit. Greg Hyer made a motion to accept the Roll of Assessment as presented to the clerk, second was made by Greg Haack. Roll Call: Patty Hillebrand-yes, Jennifer Broberg-yes, Greg Hyer-yes, Tom Rhude-yes, Greg Haack-yes. Motion carried.

At 4:50 pm, Board of Review member Paul Correll joined the meeting. Board members reviewed the roll of assessment.

No objections were filed with the clerk & no property owners in person or on zoom. Greg Haack made a motion that the Board stand in recess at 4:58 pm, until someone comes to appear before the Board or at 6:25 pm. Roll Call: Patty Hillebrand-yes, Jennifer Broberg-yes, Greg Hyer-yes, Tom Rhude-yes, Greg Haack-yes, Paul Correll-yes. Motion carried.

The Board came back from recess at 6:25 pm. Motion to come out of recess was made by Greg Hyer and second by Greg Haack. Roll Call: Patty Hillebrand-yes, Jennifer Broberg-yes, Greg Hyer-yes, Tom Rhude-yes, Greg Haack-yes, Paul Correll-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Greg Haack, seconded by Tom Rhude to close the 2026 Board of Review. Roll Call: Patty Hillebrand-yes, Jennifer Broberg-yes, Greg Hyer-yes, Tom Rhude-yes, Greg Haack-yes, Paul Correll-yes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 pm.

Jennifer Broberg, Clerk