

GOODLAND TOWN COUNCIL

March 16, 2026

THOSE PRESENT: Hannah Jones, Shawn Cain, Mira Kindig, John Schwartz, Miguel Serrano, Dustin Standish, Tom Mattox, Jake Rudisill, Gerald Cornell, Clint Gravesen, Maureen Inman, Evan Kindig, Erica McFarlane, Joe Deal, Joe Barton, Dillon Hall, Emily (KIRPC), Gary Rheude, Jim Butler, Jordan Rudisill, Shane Whaley, Julie Gravesen, Bill Babcock, Jesus Montoya, Jud Barce, Tina Goodman

UBO HEARINGS

502 S Newton Street Joe Deal was present and came with his plan. Tuck point April & May all 4 sides. Mortar bricks and front steps Aril. Trim windows out and new glass panels by July & August. He will be working in the yard between now and April 20, 2026. Jim made a motion to accept timeline 2nd by Gary. Unanimous.

129 W Union Street Gerald Cornell sold house to Scott Davis new owner is aware of the UBO. His plan is to move all wood in yard and then work on the tree and brush on property line. He is wanting to see how good the bones are inside before he puts money on the outside. Jim made a motion to continue for May 18th 2nd by Gary. Unanimous.

523 S James Street Miguel Serrano all the work has been completed. And he has sold the house. On June 2025 he didn't appear, so lien was opposed, Jim made a motion to forgive the lien and 2nd by Gary. Unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARING

USI Consulting was present to present the Comprehensive Plan. Josh and Hannah urban planners from USI Consultants, the comprehensive plan was commissioned by Goodland to assess current conditions and guide future growth. The plan was developed over a year with community input, covering 15 key topics grouped into four categories: physical environment and land use, community life and identity, economic growth and revitalization and infrastructure services and governance.

Emily from KIRPC was present to discuss the ongoing park plan development and the opportunity to apply for a land and water conservations grant. Application deadline April 15 for this year's cycle; next cycle in August 2027. Grant \$5000,000 local match \$250,000. Local match can include cash, donations, labor, or in-kind services. Communities may apply for up to two grants within seven years on the same park property. The grant selection and approval process can take over a year, involving state recommendation and federal review.

Emily also presented the Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program this program offers up to \$25,000 per eligible household for exterior home repairs such as: roof repairs, electrical upgrades for code compliance, energy-efficient HVAC and water heaters, ADA accessibility improvements. Eligibility is income-based, generally targeting household at 80% or below area median income. The town may apply for up to \$350,000 total grant funds with a 10% match. Applications are accepted in three cycles per year, the next is due July 12, 2026. Administration includes pre-qualification of applicants, final application submission, and contractor bidding processes. The program requires no repayment by residents, and all payments to contractors are managed through the town. Adjournment of public hearing.

Regular Meeting

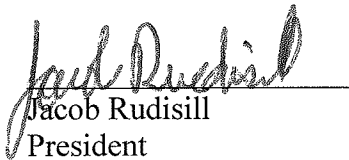
Council president Jim Butler made a motion to waive the minutes of the meeting and was 2nd by Gary Rheude. Unanimous.

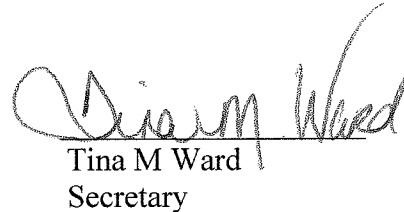
Old Business

Jake made the motion 2nd by Gary for shut off list. Unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS- Town council elected Jacob Rudisill as the new Town Council President. Gary made motion 2nd by Jim. Unanimous.

1. Building inspector – John had no new permits. Discussion on the removal and towing of abandoned vehicles highlighted challenges with local tow companies unwilling to service due to capacity or legal concerns. The town is exploring obtaining quotes from tow companies and potential contractual arrangements to address abandoned vehicles.
2. Financial Report – Gave financial report.
3. Fire Department Report – 1 fire call, 15 EMS calls. One member passed Fire 1 & 2.
4. Police Department Report – 31 calls, 12 handled by county, 9 handled by Goodland, 10 public safety, 1 arrest and 3 ordinance violations.
5. Street and Water Dept.- Completion of aggregate building with pending debris cleanup. New salt spreader installed on the dump truck, restoring winter road maintenance capability. Ongoing leak monitoring and repairs in park bathrooms; potential for second bids on tennis court resurfacing.
6. Sewer Department – Warrant work scheduled for the sewer project addressing chemical-grade receptacles.
7. Attorney's Report – Pending condemnation case by NIPSCO for easement expansion related to power lines, with concerns about existing drainage easements and flood control. A liquor permit transfer was discussed but appears uncertain due to tenant-owner disagreements.
8. Leak credit letter Mindy Bower 220 W Union. Jake made a motion 2nd by Gary. Unanimous.
9. With the Agenda matters concluded, the Council began signing claims and then Jake adjourned the meeting and Gary 2nd Unanimous.


Jacob Rudisill
President


Tina M Ward
Secretary