



WISCONSIN TOWNS
ASSOCIATION
Empowering Town Officials

WTA 2026 DISTRICT MEETING IN PERSON & VIRTUAL

IN PERSON

8:15am-8:45am

Registration

Morning refreshments sponsored by Scott Construction, Inc.



8:45am-9:00am

Call to Order, Introductions and Announcements

9:00am-11:15am

Board of Review (BOR) Certification Training

State law requires that at least one BOR member be certified annually. The WTA recommends that all BOR members attend this training.

11:15am-11:45am

Town Office Vacancies and Appointments

Does your town have an upcoming retirement? Maybe a current town board supervisor is going to be moving out of the town? Wondering what you're supposed to do? This session will review town official vacancies and what your town can do to fill a vacancy. This presentation, provided by WTA staff, will also review several important changes created by the recently passed Town Law Fix bill.

11:45am-12:45pm

Lunch

Lunch sponsored by Thunder Road.



12:45pm-1:45pm

Saving EMS: One Size Does Not Fit All

This past decade has proven that Emergency Medical Services (EMS) have been in a state of crisis, and Wisconsin EMS has not been immune to these challenges. Something must be done to save EMS in our local communities, but what? Using successful real-life case scenarios from across Wisconsin, presenter Dana Sechler will highlight solutions that municipalities have implemented to create a viable ambulance service that can provide sustainable EMS within their communities. Dana has been involved in the fire service and EMS communities in various capacities for over 34 years and is one of the co-founding Principals of Strategic Management and Consulting, LLC.

1:45pm-2:00pm

Break

Afternoon refreshments sponsored by Rural Mutual Insurance.



2:00pm-3:00pm

Transportation Funding: Today and Tomorrow?

Over the course of the last decade there have been significant increases in state funded transportation investments. The Local Road Improvement Program witnessed the creation of the Supplemental and Agricultural components. General Transportation Aids increased as well. The enhancements were funded in large part through general purpose revenues and to a lesser degree through dedicated transportation revenues. This was possible due to a strong economy and significant and multiple state budget surpluses. When the economy cools, surpluses cease, or inflation runs rampant again, how will local road funding keep up in the absence of large amounts of general purpose revenue? Learn from Debby Jackson, Transportation Development Association Executive Director, and WTA staff about how you can play a role in ensuring transportation funding isn't decreased, addresses needs, and keeps up with inflation.

VIRTUAL

MARCH 30

9:00am-11:15am Board of Review (BOR) Certification Training

MARCH 31

9:00am-10:00am Saving EMS: One Size Does Not Fit All

10:00am-10:15am *Break*

10:15am-10:45am Town Board Appointments and Vacancies

10:45am-11:45am Transportation Funding: Today and Tomorrow