

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY  
MEETING OF THE CHISAGO LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026

The regular monthly meeting for February 17, 2026, was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Reed. Those in attendance were Chair David J. Reed, Supervisors Wayne Houle, Sherry Stirling, Treasurer Judy Straub, and Clerk Jeanette Peterson. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by the group.

Chair Reed asked the Board for approval of the minutes from the regular monthly meeting on January 20, 2026. A motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling to approve the minutes from the regular monthly meeting on January 20, 2026. Motion carried.

**Additions to Agenda and Approval of Agenda**

Chair Reed asked if there were any changes or additions to the agenda. Hearing no changes or additions to the agenda, a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**Variations, Plats and Conditional Use Permits**

❖ Dan Matejcek at 10904 240<sup>th</sup> Street, PID #02.00299.40; is requesting a CUP for Major Home Occupation involving the addition of a commercial kitchen for a food truck and the storage/parking of the food truck, all within an existing accessory structure. This will be for personal use only; no employees or extra parking is needed. The kitchen space will be 12 x 18 feet. No cooking will be done in the kitchen. This will be used as storage, and prep kitchen and dishes. After discussion a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling, to approve the CUP for Major Home Occupation. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

❖ Update on Paradise Woods Development. Clerk Peterson informed the board that she sent the Rice's a certified letter on January 21, 2026, informing them of the outstanding balance owed to the township and if they have not taken care of the outstanding balance by February 22, 2026, the township will be forced to take further action. The Rice's did receive the certified letter on January 23, 2026. As of February 17, 2026, we have not received payment.

**New Business**

❖ Travis Greene, Center City Fire Chief, attended the meeting to present the Board with a copy of the Center City 2025 Annual Budget Report. Mark Wolcott, Center City Council Member, presented a new proposed 2-year contract with a \$2,700.00 increase. After reviewing a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling, to accept and approve the new 2-year contract. Motion carried.

❖ Matt Olson, Almelund Assistant Fire Chief attended the meeting to present the Board with a copy of the Almelund Fire-Rescue 2026 Annual Budget Report. After review, a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling, to approve the 2026 Fire Protection contract with Almelund Fire & Rescue in the amount of \$20,583.48. Motion carried.

Supervisor Stirling wanted to make the board aware of the library maintenance increase in 2026 from \$16,524.00 to \$20,462.40 which was discussed at the budget meeting. This increase is based on a population of 4,872 from the state demographer's office in July 2025.

### **Road Report**

❖ Matt Wikelius gave Road Report:

- Gave the Board the proposed 2026 road improvement to review and discuss at the meeting in March. The proposed street improvements are broken down into three parts; Part A – Mentzer Trail (shared City/Township Street East of B242 St.); Part B – South Beach/Bethel Grove (292<sup>nd</sup> St., Mentzer Trl., Melody Ln.) and Part C – Alternate 1 – Garland Hills Plat 2/3 (279<sup>th</sup> St., Nester P1., Nester Ave., Nester Ct.). Approximate \$938,734.76
- Tree trimming has been completed on 253rd Street
- There was discussion on some other gravel roads that are problem roads and need paving. Supervisor Stirling recommended that this be mentioned at the Annual meeting and see if the neighbors in these areas would be willing to help with the costs.

### **Information for Officials**

❖ Clerk Peterson informed the Board of the following:

- There is a CCATO meeting on February 25, 2026, Franconia Township at 7:00 pm
- Hall Rental Report for the month of March 2026
- Building Report for the months of January 2026

### **Financial Report**

❖ Treasurer Straub gave the treasurer report. After the Treasurer's report was presented, a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling, to approve the Financial Report with a balance of \$3,260,753.43 and pay the bills – claims 3330 to 3348 in the amount of \$42,766.05. Votes via roll call Ayes 3, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Treasurer Straub would like to clear up the books on the following project: 2024 Nueman/253<sup>rd</sup> Road repair and Little Lake Road Improvements, so she is asking the board for permission to transfer money from Blacktop repair into these two accounts to bring the balances to zero. A motion was made by Stirling, seconded by Reed to transfer money from Blacktop repair into 2024 Nueman/253<sup>rd</sup> Road Repair and Little Lake Road Improvements to bring the balances to zero. Votes via roll call Ayes 3, Nays 0. Motion carried.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Reed asked if anyone had any other business.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling, to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm. Motion carried.

David J. Reed, Chair  
Chisago Lake Township

Jeanette Peterson, Clerk  
Chisago Lake Township