BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Regular Board Meeting

Date: January 12th, 2026
Location: 32090 153rd Street Princeton, MN 55371

Board Members Present	Staff Present	Others Present
Jim Artmann	Michelle Aaseby – Clerk	Sgt. Aaron Sturm
Edward Evens – Vice Chair	Francine Larson - Treasurer	
Mike King - Supervisor		

Regular Meeting

1. **Call to Order** Meeting was called to order by Chair Artmann 6:00 p.m. A quorum was present.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** Artmann led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Approval of Agenda**
   - *Motion by Evens to approve the agenda with the addition of the date, February 2nd, for the Baldwin/Blue Hill Fire meeting, second by King. All in favor, motion passed.*
4. **Sheriff's Report** 73 calls for service this month, Sheriff's report is on file in the Clerk's office.
5. **Fire Chief Report** Not present.
6. **Engineer Report** Not present.
7. **Cemetery Report** Supervisor King will get estimates for a fence.
8. **Open Forum** Mike and Diane Thompson would like to see the roads plowed wider. They also have concerns about a resident that is putting their stakes in the right of way. This is on 319th and 153rd.
9. **Approval of December 8th Board Meeting Minutes**
   - *Motion by Evens, second by Artmann to approve the December 8th Special Board Meeting Minutes as written. All in favor; motion passed.*
10. **January 2026 Treasurer's Report** Treasurer Larson read the Treasurer's Report.
    - *Motion by Evens, second by King, to approve the Treasurer's Report as written. All in favor; motion passed.*
11. **Approval of January 2026 Claims and Payroll** Treasurer Larson read the summary of Claims and Payroll. January payroll includes check numbers 10678-10682 totaling $3,236.86. January claims include check numbers 10683-10690 totaling $29,463.87, EFT01122026-01 for $369, EFT01122026-02 for $124.82, EFT01122026-03 for $465.51, EFT01022026 for $115.21, and EFT01082026 for $121.39, EFT01052026 for $36.73, and EFT01102026 for $211.86. All checks were submitted for approval.
    - *Motion by Artmann, second by Evens to approve January 2026 Claims and Payroll. All in favor; motion passed.*

12. **Committee Updates**

Town Hall Committee Informational Open House meetings have been rescheduled for February 26th, 11am-1pm and 6pm-8pm. Board discussed the pros and cons of building a new town hall vs. repairing the old one.

- Motion by Evens, second by King, to present at the Open House the approximate cost and tentative for building a new town hall at the informational meeting. *All in favor; motion passed.*
- *Motion by Evens, second by King, to utilize the fund balance to pay for the new building. All in favor; motion passed.*

Road Committee None.

Planning Committee None.

Budget Committee 2025 Budget was updated and provided to the Board. We stayed on budget for 2025 and have a surplus of 18 months over all accounts, OSA suggests 6-9 months and anything over that should be documented as to what the extra reserve is for.

13. **Board Updates**

Artmann None

Evens 316th sign was repaired. Call from Sherif's office re: carpet in the road was disposed of.

King None.

Clerk Aaseby Provided a list of current permits in Blue Hill, Board of Appeal and Equalization notice, and noted a clerical error on the 2026 Tax notices having the old Blue Hill Township phone number.

Treasurer Larson None.

14. **Announcements and Correspondences**

- Township Meeting Association January 21st at 6:00pm
- Baldwin/Blue Hill Township Fire Meeting, Baldwin City Hall, 6:00pm **February 2nd**
- Board of Audit, February 9th, at 5:00pm
- Regular Board Meeting February 9th, at 6:00pm

15. **Open Forum** – *Checks were signed during Open Forum.*

Evens discussed the $5,000 we have remaining in the Fire fund and what to do with it. Further discussion will be had in February and at the Annual Meeting.

16. **Motion to Adjourn the Meeting**

- *Motion by Evens, second by King to adjourn the meeting. All in favor; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Aaseby, Blue Hill Township Clerk

Michelle Aaseby
Clerk Signature

2-13-2026
Date

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes approved by the Blue Hill Town Board.

Chair
Signature & Title

2/9/26
Date