MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Haven Township – July 20, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The Haven Town Board met at the Haven Town Hall on Monday, July 20, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Eric Meyer. Members present: Supervisor Eric Meyer, Supervisor Randy Linn, Supervisor Joseph Then, Supervisor Joseph Sexton, Supervisor Kari Watkins, Ben Oleson (Hometown Planning via virtual), Treasurer Viki Monroe and Clerk Tammy Schefers. There were three people who attended virtually. There was one person who attended in person.

PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE

All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

SHERBURNE COUNTY SHERIFF REPORT

Sergeant Aaron Sturm reported that there were 115 incidents for the month of June 2026. He reviewed and summarized the report with the board members and answered any questions. There was discussion on the J-Turn off of 45th Avenue SE and if there will be traffic control provided by Sherburne County during the Air Show weekend on August 1, 2026 & August 2, 2026.

OPEN FORUM (Time for Residents to Ask the Board Questions)

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Randy Linn made a motion to accept and approve the agenda. Supervisor Kari Watkins seconded the motion. Role call was taken; Supervisor Eric Meyer – Aye; Supervisor Randy Linn – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Then – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Sexton - Aye; Supervisor Kari Watkins – Aye; the motion carried.

READING OF THE MINUTES

Supervisor Joseph Sexton made a motion to approve the June 15, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes with the rest of the consent agenda. Supervisor Joseph Then seconded the motion. Role call was taken; Supervisor Eric Meyer – Aye; Supervisor Randy Linn – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Then – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Sexton - Aye; Supervisor Kari Watkins – Aye; the motion carried.

BUILDING PERMITS

Just for reference; Sherburne County sends an e-mail report of permits each month to the Clerk for all the Townships. There were 10 permits for Haven Township this month.

OLD BUSINESS

Hansen IUP – Legal Update – Supervisor Eric Meyer stated that there is still legal enforcement action taking place on this issue.

Amrize – The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is still in process.

Connexus Energy – There has been no updates on the unpaid fire invoice.

Haven Township Planning Commission Update – Ben Oleson spoke to the board members and gave them an informational update of the last meeting. He reviewed the Import Motors, LLC after-the-fact Interim Use Permit for the operation of a salvage yard business and for the expansion of the business to include a self-service salvage yard area. The board discussed the conditions and concerns that were presented. After discussion on this, Supervisor Eric Meyer made a motion that the board tables this until the next board meeting which is held on August 17, 2026 due to there were some unanswered questions and clarification that needed to be addressed yet. Supervisor Joseph Sexton seconded the motion. Role call was taken; Supervisor Eric Meyer – Aye; Supervisor Randy Linn – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Then – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Sexton - Aye; Supervisor Kari Watkins – Aye; the motion carried. Ben Oleson will look into the questions and have answers for the board to continue next month.

Planning Commission Member Compensation – It was recommended to the Haven Township Board that the compensation proposal that would provide $100.00 per meeting retroactive to the first Planning Commission Meeting, $30.00 per hour of preparation time pre or post meeting not to exceed 2 hours per meeting, and that allows members to opt-out of being compensated by not submitting an expense form be considered. The Haven Township Board Members discussed this. After discussion on this, Supervisor Eric Meyer made a motion for the board to go ahead and approve this for the Planning Commission for Compensation; $100.00 per meeting retroactive to the first Planning Commission Meeting; $30.00 per hour of preparation time pre or post meeting not to exceed 2 hours per meeting, and that allows members to opt-out of being compensated by not submitting an expense form. The Planning Commission Members will be responsible to fill out the time sheets if they want to be compensated and turn them into the clerk. Supervisor Joseph Sexton seconded the motion. Role call was taken; Supervisor Eric Meyer – Aye; Supervisor Randy Linn – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Then – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Sexton - Aye; Supervisor Kari Watkins – Aye; the motion carried.

Reschedule August Meeting – Due to the Primary Elections being held on August 11, 2026 at the Haven Township Hall; the Haven Township Planning Commission Committee will meet on Wednesday, August 12, 2026 at 4:00 pm for the monthly meeting.

Ben Oleson (Hometown Planning) -
Wiilo Event Center – Ben Oleson made the comment that he is waiting for them to comply with all the conditions. No New Updates.

Mining –Ben Oleson has been working with Luci Snowden on developing a checklist and an inspection plan for the mining within Haven Township.

PUBLIC HEARING (Communication that the Board Notified Residents)
None

NEW BUSINESS

Consider a Resolution to Extinguish a Town Right-of-Way Est. by a 1970 Road Order – The board members discussed the road on 54th Avenue SE. There will be a Public Hearing held with the Haven Township Board on August 17, 2026 for more discussion on this issue. Notifications will be posted in the proper locations.

BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS

Supervisor (Chairperson) Eric Meyer

Orderly Annexation with the City of St. Cloud – Supervisor Eric Meyer made the comment that there will be several work sessions with the City of St. Cloud to discuss the proposed City Land Use Maps and draft Orderly Annexation Agreement.

Supervisor Eric Meyer made the comment that he has been working on the last three AED Machines to be installed. They will all be solar. Locations are Deer Haven; Elk River Estates and 60th Avenue SE.

Supervisor Randy Linn – Supervisor Randy Linn discussed the bond payment that needs to be paid this month. He will work with the treasurer and see that the money gets wired transferred before the payment due date. Supervisor Randy Linn made a motion that the funds for the bond payment in the amount of $131,766.25 be transferred out of the Road Fund and placed into the Bond Fund. Supervisor Joseph Sexton seconded the motion. Role call was taken; Supervisor Eric Meyer – Aye; Supervisor Randy Linn – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Then – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Sexton - Aye; Supervisor Kari Watkins – Aye; the motion carried.

Supervisor Joseph Then – Supervisor Joseph Then reported that he has had a busy month. This included road work that is being worked on; there were trees that went down in storm damage that have been cleaned up in the road right-of-way; mailbox posts are being replaced and fixed; tires and garbage in the ditches have been removed; he ordered more mailbox assemblies; a beaver is working in a creek north of a township culvert; pot holes on a dead end road and he is taking bids for some more road work.

Supervisor Joseph Sexton – Supervisor Joseph Sexton made the comment that he has been working on fire call bills.

Supervisor Kari Watkins – Supervisor Kari Watkins made the comment that she can not make the changed Haven Township Planning Commission Meeting date; Supervisor Eric Meyer will be her alternate and attend that meeting.

TREASURER UPDATE

The Treasurer reviewed the June Cash Control Statement; Receipt Register and Disbursement Register with the Supervisors.

CLAIMS LIST FOR APPROVAL

Supervisor Randy Linn made a motion to accept and approve the claims 26149-26182 totaling $247,328.5 as presented for the month of July. This motion will also include

adding the banking service fees for the end of the month when the statements arrive. Supervisor Kari Watkins seconded the motion. Role call was taken; Supervisor Eric Meyer – Aye; Supervisor Randy Linn – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Then – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Sexton - Aye; Supervisor Kari Watkins – Aye; the motion carried.

CLERK UPDATE
Supervisor Positions Open to File Starts July 14, 2026 – July 28, 2026;
Supervisor Seat C (Joseph Then)
Supervisor Seat D (Joseph Sexton)
Supervisor Seat E (Randy Linn)
All 4 Year Terms
General Election is held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026 – 7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Public Accuracy Test for the Primary Elections will be held on August 5, 2026, 9:00 am Sherburne County Government Center.

Primary Election is held August 11, 2026 from 7:00 am – 8:00 pm Haven Township Hall

New Mileage Rate started on July 1, 2026 – New rate is 76 cents per mile

Civil Defense Sirens – The board discussed if they wanted to inform the residents in a mailing on the civil defense sirens being decommissioned within Haven Township. The board also talked about the AED Machines and training new people in on how to use the machines. After discussion on this, Supervisor Eric Meyer will create a news notice to include both the civil defense siren decommissioning and AED training dates in this notification that will go out to all the residents in Haven Township. He will have this mailed out sometime in August.

The St. Cloud Sky Central Airport will host the North Star Air Show coming up on August 1, 2026 & August 2, 2026.

COMMUNICATIONS
MN Association of Townships – Online Training / Newsletter Updates / Meetings
Sherburne County Planning & Zoning – Public Hearings
Sherburne County Association of Township Meeting Agenda
Highway 10 Prelim Design - TAC
Voice Mails & E-mails from Residents

OPEN FORUM (Time for Residents to Ask the Board Questions)
None

ADJOURN
It was moved by Supervisor Eric Meyer seconded by Supervisor Joseph Sexton to adjourn the meeting. Role call was taken; Supervisor Eric Meyer – Aye; Supervisor Randy Linn – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Then – Aye; Supervisor Joseph Sexton - Aye;

Supervisor Kari Watkins – Aye; the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Chairperson

8-17-26
Date

Clerk

8.17.2026
Date