



**HIRAM TOWNSHIP
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AKELEY, MN 56433
HIRAM TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2025**

Regular scheduled meeting of the month was called to order on Tuesday, December 9, 2025 at 9:27 am, via Zoom.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Present: Jim McGill, Dave Morris, Jim Zierhut, Shelly Ganz and Carla Baker

Guests: Jon Bohn

M/S/P: Morris/Zierhut to approve regular Township Meeting Minutes from November 11, 2025. Erection of berm is pending Spring road inspection to be added to the Forseman Point Drive maintenance proposal. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

M/S/P: McGill/Morris to approve November Treasurer's report as presented: Beginning Balance: \$393,747.16, Receipts: \$788.08, Expenses: \$16,989.61, CD Adjustment of \$-145.60. Current Balance: \$377,400.03. Reconciled with Clerk. Motion carried. Cass County Property Tax payment of \$107,870.41 was received in December.

SUPERVISORS REPORTS

Supervisor McGill - Shared the MAT Insurance workers compensation audit information. Discussed plans for equipment ordering from Amazon, total cost of approximately \$887. Discussed the need for a lockbox for key storage especially if the town hall is going to be rented.

M/S/P: McGill/Zierhut to authorize Shelly or Carla to order those items from Amazon. Motion carried.

Discussed Board of Equalization Training wherein both Supervisor Morris and Supervisor Zierhut successfully completed it. Discussed DOT road map. Supervisor Zierhut to check if new road addition on Birch Lake Lane is included in the mapping. Board also reviewed cannabis resolution that Supervisor McGill completed and would send to Carla for

forwarding to Mr. Josh Stevenson at Cass County. Regarding the old town hall, the Board discussed potential sale options with Mr. Pat Moran, with Supervisor Zierhut noting they had completed preliminary steps including staking the lot and planning repairs. The board also discussed the Sourcewell grant. Clerk confirmed she has the required banking information to complete the form and would email it to them after the meeting.

Supervisor Zierhut: New sign posts were delivered and were stored in the old town hall. Suggested reconsider selling the old town hall which can be used as a storage place instead. Discussed the pros and cons of selling it. Discussed information gathered during the CCAT meeting. Mr. Jon Bohn will install the blind approach sign for Woodland Drive. Also informed the board that he is already working on the 6-year gravel rotation plan and will be ready by January.

Supervisor Morris: Discussed the cannabis resolution and call with Mr. Pat Moran regarding the potential sale of the old town hall.

CLAIMS:

M/S/P: McGill/Morris to approve the claims as presented 17 checks 6846-6862, two electronic funds transfer, and one credit card payment for total of \$13,524.71. Treasurer's signature to be sufficient for these claims as Treasurer attending remotely. Motion carried.

M/S/P: Morris/Zierhut to approve transfer FNB savings to checking \$7,000 from general fund and \$16,000 from road and bridge for a total of \$23,000. Motion carried.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: Supervisor McGill discussed completing and submitting an ACH form with banking information to Sourcewell to be done by Shelly and Carla. Once equipment is ordered, Supervisor McGill to follow up with Mr. Mike Schmidt about equipment installation. Supervisor Zierhut to confirm with Mr. Schmidt where to mount the TV and how the wiring would be installed. The group agreed to conduct the Board of Audit in February and to review salary structures at the January reorganization meeting. Supervisor McGill suggested that we follow up with TDS about fiber optics installation schedule so we could be connected to reliable Wi-Fi. The Board reaffirmed the Forseman Point Drive maintenance plan as reflected in the November minutes.

M/S/P: McGill/Morris to adjourn meeting at 10:32 am. Motion carried.