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Town Board Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2026

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.
Pledge to the Flag was recited.
Roll Call

Members present:	Samuel Cole, Andy Luedtke, Jonn Olson, Lisa Henrickson (Remote)
Staff present:	Billi Larson, Clerk; Alicia Morris, Treasurer
Staff absent:	None
Attorney present:	Mark Allseits
Residents present:	Brian Langlois, Tony DeChaine, Ed Kramer, Joshua Phelps, Mike Frost, Ben Garbacz

FIRE DEPARTMENT SWEARING IN CEREMONY
This item was tabled until February 24, 2026

Supervisor Olson stated that due to Supervisor Henrickson participating remotely after proper public notice that all votes would need to be taken with a roll call.

PUBLIC FORUM
Resident, Ed Kramer, addressed the Board regarding the parking lot in front of the Senior Center prior to the Valentine's Day Luncheon being held.

St. Cloud Resident, Joshua Phelps, addressed the Board on behalf of his brother-in -law, Mike Frost, requesting temporary permission to cultivate/grow cannabis at 6451 207th Ave NE. Attorney Mark Allseits provided direction to the Board regarding zoning ordinances surrounding cannabis. He indicated that cannabis businesses are only permitted within a general business district. The property in question is not in a business district but in R-1. The

speaker was directed to go through the Planning & Zoning. A temporary approval is not contemplated in ordinance and does not give the Board authorization to approve a temporary permit.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Olson moved item 8.2 Unemployment Claim Appeal Hearing to number 11 to allow the Board to enter into a closed executive session under Minnesota Statute 13D.05, Subdivision 3b.

***Motion* by Supervisor Cole, seconded by Supervisor Olson to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes, motion carried. (4-0)**

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

7.1 Approval of January 27, 2026, Meeting Minutes
7.2 Approval of January 27, 2026, Workshop Minutes
7.3 Approval of February 3, 2026, Workshop Minutes
7.4 Approval of February 3, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes
7.5 Claims List for Approval #39327-#39347 = $54,606.75
7.6 Payroll for Approval (1/30/26) = $11,378.28
7.7 Approval of Broadbent Park Event
7.8 Approval of Animal Control for Linwood Township

Supervisor Cole requested item 7.7 Approval of Broadbent Park Event be moved off the Consent Agenda to New Business 8.7 for discussion.

***Motion* by Supervisor Cole, seconded by Supervisor Olson to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. All ayes, motion carried. (3-0-1 Luedtke)**

NEW BUSINESS

8.1 School Forest Committee Resignation – Selz (Cole)

Supervisor Cole spoke his thanks for Diane Selz and her long-standing work on the School Forest Committee.

***Motion* by Supervisor Cole, seconded by Supervisor Olson to approve Ms. Selz letter of resignation. Motion carried. (4-0)**

***Motion* by Supervisor Cole, seconded by Supervisor Olson to put out a call for letters of interest to fill the vacancy with a deadline of 02/24/2026. Motion carried. (4-0)**

8.2 Unemployment Claim Appeal Hearing (Larson)

This item was moved to Item 11 for closed session.

8.3 Rodent Control (Larson)

7.3.1 Request for Action

***Motion* by Supervisor Luedtke, seconded by Supervisor Cole to use Aardvark Pest Control for a one-time service and quarterly recurring services. Motion carried. (4-0)**

8.4 Selection for Maturing Certificate of Deposit (Morris

8.4.1 Request for Action

8.4.2 Maturity Notice

***Motion* by Supervisor Cole, seconded by Supervisor Olson to redeem the Certificate of Deposit. Motion carried. (4-0)**

8.5 Engaging Independent Auditor (Morris)

8.5.1 Request for Action

***Motion* by Supervisor Luedtke, seconded by Supervisor Cole to engage Redpath, LLC as the Township's Independet Auditor. Motion carried. (4-0)**

8.6 Application Fee and Escrow Refund – Keyso (Luedtke)

8.6.1 Request for Action

***Motion* by Supervisor Luedtke, seconded by Supervisor Cole to approve the refund and escrow money $1,350 to Janette Keyso due to a withdrawal of the application after discovering staff error that led to a different path for the applicant. Motion carried. (4-0)**

8.7 Approval of Broadbent Park Event (Cole)

8.7.1 Request for Action

***Motion* by Supervisor Cole, seconded by Supervisor Olson to approve the Forest Lake Area Schools Community Education to host a series of events from 6/16/2026 to 7/28/2026 from 10:30-11:30 at Carroll Broadbent Memorial Park. Motion carried. (4-0)**

OLD BUSINESS

9.1 Town Board Vacancy (Olson)

9.1.1 Letter of Interest – Garbacz

9.1.2 Letter of Interest - Lametti

The Board discussed that a special meeting would be held the following week to meet the candidates and appoint the candidate on that date.

Supervisor Olson called for the next portion of the meeting to be closed to the public under the authority of Minn. Stat. 13D.05, Subd. 3b for the Town Board to discuss Paul Deuth's appeal of the Township's 'Quit' Determination - Issue Identification Number 5241487-2 with the Town Attorney at 6:06PM. Supervisor Henrickson left the meeting at 7:06pm

Supervisor Olson opened the public meeting back up at 7:15 PM.

***Motion* Supervisor Luedtke made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Olson to approve Township Attorney Couri & Ruppe to provide representation on behalf of the Township at the unemployment hearing for Paul Deuth. Motion carried. (3-0)**

UPCOMING MEETINGS
Planning & Zoning – February 17, 2026 – 6:00PM
Town Board Workshop – February 24, 2026 – 5:30PM
Monthly Town Board Workshop – March 3, 2026 – 5:30PM
Township Annual Meeting – March 10, 2026 – 7:00PM
Cemetery Committee – March 11, 2026 – 10:00AM

***Motion* to adjourn by Supervisor Luedtke, second by Supervisor Cole. Motion carried. (4-0)**

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm

Respectfully submitted by Billi Larson, Clerk

Minutes Approved:

Chairperson: _____
Jonn Olson