

**MINUTES**  
**Twin Lakes Township**  
**Wednesday, March 4, 2026**  
**Town Board Meeting at the Twin Lakes Town Hall**  
**5:00 p.m.**

Board Chair Diane Felde-Finke opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m. Other board members present: Supervisor Randy Willie, Supervisor Mike Orlowski, Treasurer Cortney Carlson, Clerk Daisy Rose. Also present: Road Foreman Bob Olean, Ken Witte and Brenda Tischer.

**Guests:**

Derek Wolf, City of Carlton: Heater replacement at booster station and meter station will happen next week. Wolf shared that there is a meeting of Carlton County Fire Chiefs being planned and will be facilitated by the State Fire Marshal's office.

**MOTION to approve the February 18, 2026 town board meeting minutes as printed was made by Willie and seconded by Orlowski; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

**MOTION to pay all bills, check numbers 19527-19532 and electronic payment 941MAR26 for the total amount of \$7,508.00 was made by Willie and seconded by Orlowski; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

Carlson presented the treasurer's report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Roadside Mowing: No updates.

- Contractor Contact List: Olean provided a services/rates list from AireServ to have on hand.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 2026 Budget: The board reviewed the 2026 budget report. **MOTION to approve the 2026 budget was made by Felde-Finke and seconded by Willie; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

- 2027 Levies: Board reviewed tax levy amounts for 2026 and agreed that increases for Revenue of \$20,000 and for Fire and Ambulance of \$18,000 would be recommended for 2027. Recommendations are: Revenue \$90,000, Road & Bridge \$1,500,000, Fire and Ambulance \$170,000, Recreation \$10,000 and Capital Projects \$100,000.

- Family Pathways: Request for services contract was received and denied. This organization serves minimal residents in Twin Lakes Township.

- Seven County Senior Federation: Request for services contract was received and denied. This organization serves minimal to zero residents in Twin Lakes Township.

- WLSSD: Notification was received of the 2025 year-end adjustment; there will be a credit of \$483.00 monthly on our 2026 billing, for a total credit of \$5,791.00 for the year.

## ROAD MAINTENANCE

- County Bid Process: Olean brought information from the county on the bids received for summer 2026 paving work. The bid from Northland Constructors of Duluth, was the lowest, with a total of \$1,361,694.06 for our four projects – West Chub Lake Road at \$1,064,097.28, Hay Lake Road at \$173,355.78, Lakeview Drive at \$ 80,337.00 and Lac Labelle Road at \$43,904.00. **MOTION to approve the bid of \$1,361,694.06 from Northland Constructors of Duluth for paving work on West Chub Lake Road, Hay Lake Road, Lakeview Drive and Lac Labelle Road, was made by Willie and seconded by Orlowski; all voted yes, the motion passed.** Discussion was held on possibly adding more roads due to the cost savings from the lower bid. The board would like to receive cost estimates for completing the paving of Jay West Road and paving Wilderness Drive.

## CORRESPONDENCE

- Carlton County Planning Commission, notice of public hearing, Wednesday, March 4, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., Carlton County Transportation Building, green burial cemeteries.

- Cloquet Fire District, 2025 annual report.

## MEETINGS

- Hwy 45/210 Corridor Study Meeting, Tuesday, March 3, 2026, 2-3:30 p.m., Carlton Fire Hall, Rose and Willie provided a review. There will be a public meeting held on Thursday, March 12, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. at the Carlton Fire Hall.

- Township Annual Meeting, Tuesday, March 10, 2026, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall

- Rose shared that there is a meeting on Monday, April 6, 2026 at 1 p.m. at the Historic Carlton County Courthouse for the purpose of collecting input for options of site layout and location for the Carlton County Transfer Station. All board members are interested in attending. **MOTION to post the Transfer Station meeting was made by Felde-Finke and seconded by Willie; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

## BOARD OF AUDIT

- The board reviewed the Treasurer's books for 2025. Treasurer's books balanced with the bank, and Clerk's and Treasurer's books match each other. **MOTION to approve the books as presented was made by Willie and seconded by Orlowski; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

**MOTION to adjourn was made by Willie and seconded by Orlowski; all voted yes, the motion passed.** The meeting adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daisy Rose, Clerk

Diane Felde-Finke, Board Chair