

TURTLE RIVER TOWNSHIP
BELTRAMI COUNTY, MINNESOTA
MINUTES OF THE July 28, 2026
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Chairman Chris Justice called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Officers in attendance: Chris Justice, Jerry Illies, Rita Chamblin, Roger Hellquist, Joe Bungart, Tanya Hanson, and Nora Illies.

Citizens Present: Kelly Booge, Paul Benshoof, Larry Krantz, Jan Johnson, Ann Nistler, Kelly Booge, Carol Beck, Jim DeWinter, Jim Galloway, Ben Carleton, Brad Kennedy, and Craig Caasvig.

I. Town Board

A. Citizen Input- The board received input from several citizens regarding the shoulder widths of paving on Little Bass Lake Road Project.

B. Craig Gaasvig gave an update on some of the things that are going on at the county level.

C. June Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes- Roger Hellquist made a motion to approve the township consent agenda, containing the May Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes, with the added addition of citizens who were present at the last meeting. Joe Bungart seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

II. Treasurer's Consent Agenda- Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills and Claims- Joe Bungart made a motion, seconded by Rita Chamblin, to accept the following June Treasurer's Report and pay the bills- Motion carried 5-0.

1. Receipts for the month totaled \$1,725.02 and disbursements were \$7,736.54
2. The township checking account balance totaled \$199,396.95.
3. Bills and claims for the month of July, #12118 to #12152 were presented for approval and payment in the amount of \$27,059.61.

III. Zoning

A. No zoning business this month.

IV. Administrative Items

A. Newsletter- Rita Chamblin will write the upcoming newsletter

V. Roads

A. Crack Sealing- Rita Chamblin updated the board on the crack sealing that was completed.

B. Asphalt patching- Rita Chamblin updated the board on asphalt patching that was completed.

C. Mowing- Rita Chamblin updated the board on the mowing that was completed.

D. Gravel- Rita Chamblin updated the board on the current gravel project.

E. Little Bass Lake Road

1. ROW's. Jerry Illies updated the board on the Little Bass Lake Rd ROW's. Property owner Bradley Sandmeyer at 5851 Little Bass Lake Rd NE was concerned about an installation of a culvert on his property line as part of the Little Bass Lake Road re-paving project. Joe Bungart made motion to sign a statement stating that a culvert will not be placed along the Sandmeyer property line. The motion was seconded by Rita Chamblin. Motion carried 5-0. Jerry Illies, also gave an update on ROW's.
2. Rita Chamblin presented a step-by-step timeline of the Little Bass Lake Project.
3. The board discussed if they should continue with the 4' paved shoulders or reduce to a gravel shoulder or 2' shoulder. The board decided not to make any changes to the original plan.
4. Rita Chamblin will go to the attorney to figure out what we need to do to properly follow the process to clear trees.
5. Communication with land owners- the suggestion was made to create a special email for those

who will be affected by the construction on the road.

Chris Justice adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chairman Chris Justice

Clerk, Tanya Hanson