

TURTLE RIVER TOWNSHIP
BELTRAMI COUNTY, MINNESOTA
MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 22, 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.

Citizen Input- Sherry Kloha shared her concerns about future potential AI data centers being built in our township.

I. Town Board Consent Agenda

A. August Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes- Jerry Illies made a motion to approve the township consent agenda, containing the August Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes. Rita Chamblin 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 Roger Hellquist, to accept the following September Treasurer's Report and pay the bills- Motion carried 5-0.

1. Receipts for the month totaled \$3,757.28 and disbursements were \$64,291.83.
2. The township checking account balance totaled \$421,359.43.
3. Bills and claims for the month of August, #12192 to #12216 were presented for approval and payment in the amount of \$3,058.17.

III. Zoning

A. Zoning Ordinance- Sam Christenson and Jerry Illies will work towards updating the Zoning Ordinance.

B. September Zoning Meeting Minutes- Joe Bungart made a motion to accept the September Zoning Meeting Minutes. Rita Chamblin seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

IV. Administrative Items

A. Newsletter- Tanya Hanson will write the upcoming newsletter

B. Resolution to appoint election judges for the November election- Joe Bungart made a motion to approve the Resolution to appoint election judges to the November election. Roger Hellquist seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

V. Roads

A. Little Bass Lake Road

1. Memorandum of Understanding with Beltrami County- The new Memorandum will supersede the one passed at the August meeting. Rita Chamblin made a motion to accept the new updated Memorandum of Understanding. Jerry Illies seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
2. Culvert Placement- Rita Chamblin discussed Little Bass Lake Road culvert placement.
3. Next steps- Rita Chamblin updated the board on the next steps for the Little Bass Lake Road project.
4. SSD update- Tanya Hanson informed the board that the township did not receive a petition opposing the SSD within the 60 day waiting period.

Chris Justice adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chairman Chris Justice

Clerk, Tanya Hanson