



May Township Minutes
5834 112th Street, Pillager, MN 56473

January 12 2026

Elected Members Present: Supervisors - Jason Barg, Chad Converse, Kim Lewis
Elected Members Absent: None
Treasurer – Katie Eastman Clerk – Bianca Wyffels
Employees Present: None
Others Present: Jeremy Holder and Robert Kadus

INVOICE REVIEW PRIOR TO MEETING – The board members are encouraged to come to the township hall 15 minutes prior to the regular meeting to review invoices. The clerk and treasurer are present for questions.

CALL TO ORDER: J Barg called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA: A motion by K Lewis, seconded by C Converse to approve the agenda with the addition of “Day at the Capital”, mileage reimbursement for Election Judges outside of our township and Beaver Trappers, carried unanimously.

MEETING MINUTES: December 8 2025 and December 22 2025 Re-Organization Minutes – A motion by K Lewis, seconded by C Converse to approve the December 8 2025 and December 22 2025 re-organization minutes as presented, carried unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Treasurer’s report– A motion by K Lewis, seconded by J Barg to approve the January 2026 treasures report (December 2025 data) as presented subject to audit, carried unanimously.

\$	\$142828.48	General Checking and Savings balance (fire fund, R&B, general fund, cemetery)
\$	1017.09	Grader Saving balance
\$	26896.93	Paving Maintenance account balance (124 th Street money from special assessment)
\$	170742.50	Total Funds

Pay Bills: The Clerk and Treasurer presented payroll and disbursement claims. B Wyffels and Katie Eastman presented regular monthly bills (i.e. electrical, phone, garbage, etc.), payroll, etc. A motion by J Barg, seconded by K Lewis, to approve PR Liabilities, wire transfers, check/claims/payroll, carried unanimously.

2026 and 2027 Budget – The board agreed to look at budgets at their next regular meeting.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS: Jeremy Holder – here to observe. Robert Kadus – here to turn in hours worked and to observe.

OTHER REPORTS:

PARK BOARD (PLPB): No Park Board meeting.

PILLAGER FIRE DEPARTMENT: One medical run in May Township, test burn will be in early March, overall calls for the fire department were down two from previous year, a \$35,000 grant has been received, the annual fire dinner will be March 7 2026.

MOTLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT: Two motor vehicle runs in May Township.

ROAD MAINTENANCE:

100TH Street Project (Contract 59811) – Letters updating the residents on this road were mailed return receipt. No receipts have been returned to date.

RDO Grader Maintenance – J Barg presented a service estimate for the grader. The total estimated costs are: \$8853.42. Discussion followed. A motion by C Converse, seconded by J Barg to hire RDO to service the grader, carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Cemetery Rule Sign - Has been purchased. \$200. Will be put up in the Spring.

2025 Polling Place Accessibility Grant – The 2025 polling place grant has been reviewed and approved by the secretary of state. The amount approved is: \$8141.67. The purpose is to build a new handicapped accessible ramp. The board discussed options for the ramp as the funding was cut in ½. Supervisors will get new estimates and bring them back to next meeting.

A motion by J Barg, seconded by K Lewis to approve a new ramp for the township hall before the next election, carried unanimously.

Third Party Services Grant – K Lewis and B Wyffels meet with Region 5 RDC. Did not think their comprehensive plan was what we are looking for. Discussion was held on what we are looking for out of the grant. The board asked questions like: do we really need a comprehensive plan, what are the costs, and who would be able to put it together. K Lewis will look for an engineering company or road construction company who can look at our roads and make assessments on the need to pave or just update the gravel, etc.

Heavy Equipment Operator Position – B Wyffels stated we have 45 applications to date. The application process closes on February 1 2026. Discussion followed. The board agreed to individually look at the applications received and pick their top three for discussion and potential interview. The board will meet on February 2 2026 after the Annual Audit Meeting, to discuss the interview process.

Environmental Services – The Clerk presented an Environmental Services letter received from Cass County regarding a hearing for conditional use permit for Lemont Peterson and Rebecca VanVickle. The hearing is today, January 12, 2026. The application is to reclassify 150.68 acres from Agricultural Forestry to Rural Residential 20. May Township. Discussion followed. The board agreed is in favor of this application.

Facebook Page – K Lewis stated Facebook page has been started and we have 14 followers. She ask if anyone has pictures of May Township to please send her so she can use on the Facebook page.

NEW BUSINESS: Annual Audit Meeting – A motion by J Barg, seconded by K Lewis to hold the annual audit meeting on February 2 2026 and to continue the meeting to talk about the next steps for hiring the Heavy Equipment Operator, carried unanimously.

Bridgeman Cemetery – B Wyffels presented a letter from Theron and Cynthia Horn requesting burial plots at the Bridgeman Cemetery. Discussion followed - rules for the cemetery. This request was tabled until the next regular meeting. B Wyffels was asked to review the deed, and other documents for the cemetery. Past residents from May Township have stated because the land was donated by a Barnett/Horn, any of the relations from the Barnett or Horn family can be buried at Bridgeman Cemetery.

Beaver Bounty – C Converse stated he has been approached by Doug Simons regarding beaver trapping in May Township. The board discussed the need for a beaver trapper, the reasons they would hire a trapper, etc. May Township will not pay for any beavers trapped in the future without specific approval from the board. A motion by J Barg, seconded by C Converse to approve paying Doug Simons \$400 for the 8 beavers trapped in May Township, carried.

The board also discussed ways to keep the beaver out of culverts by possibly building grills to attach to the end of culverts. No action taken.

Mileage for Election Judges outside May Township – B Wyffels stated we have paid mileage to election judges in the past if they are hired from outside May Township. Discussion followed. A motion by J Barg, seconded by K Lewis to pay the IRS mileage rate for election judges traveling from outside of May Townships to help with our elections, carried unanimously.

Day at the Capital – A motion by C Converse, seconded by K Lewis to pay mileage and meals for supervisors to attend the March 2 2026 Day at the Capital, carried unanimously.

ADJOURNEMENT: A motion by C Converse, seconded by J Barg to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m., carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Barg

Chairperson

Bianca Wyffels

Clerk