



Fish Lake Township
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Town Board Meeting Minutes November 11, 2024

Board Members and Staff Present

Chair Bruce Fitzwater, Vice-Chair Jim Thill, Treasurer Corey Johnson, Clerk Andrea Nekowitsch, Gary Guse Road Superintendent

Absent: Supervisor Donna Ferguson

Call to Order and Approval of the Agenda

Chairman Fitzwater called the Regular Monthly Fish Lake Town Board meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Township Office at 2170 Brunswick Road, Harris, MN. The pledge of allegiance was recited by all. Motion made Thill by and seconded by Fitzwater to approve the agenda as presented. Approved unanimously.

Road Report

Gary Guse presented the road report and updated the Board on projects that have been completed and in process from the last month and projects planned for the upcoming month.

Extended Warranty 2025 Western Star: The Board briefly discussed extended warranty options for the 2025 Western Star Plow truck and decided to table it until the December meeting to give Supervisor Ferguson the opportunity to review it since she is very familiar with extended warranties.

Road Agreement with City of Harris: The Board reviewed the shared road agreement with the city of Harris and signed the agreement to be sent back to Harris for final approval.

Treasurers Report

The Board reviewed the treasurer's report.

Bank Balances as of: October 31, 2024

Checking	\$14,956.00	Broadband Debt. Service	\$95,223.78
Savings (Camb. State)	\$348,681.44	Anchor Ave. Debt Service	\$32,703.43

Motion made by Thill and seconded by Fitzwater to accept the Treasurer's report approve expenses of \$35,493.52 and November payroll for \$7252.42, and authorize the transfer of \$45,000, from Savings to Checking. Approved unanimously.

Minutes

Motion made by Fitzwater and seconded by Thill to approve the minutes of the previous month's meeting. Approved unanimously.

Schedule Appointments

None

Clerk Report

An insurance review will be scheduled for January 2025

Board Member Reports

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Resolution 2024-06 Cannabis Delegation Resolution. The Fish Lake Township Board passed a resolution delegating its administrative powers and authority over the registration and compliance checks for cannabis and hemp retailers to Chisago County. This decision aligns with Minnesota Statutes, which require local governments to oversee compliance checks and allow them to limit cannabis retailer registrations. By partnering with Chisago County, the Township aims to centralize these responsibilities at the county level for more effective administration. The resolution was officially adopted on November 11, 2024.

County Road 10 Project Update: The board reviewed a letter from Ben Hobert, P.E., Assistant County Engineer for Chisago County relaying project updates for the reconstruction of County Road 10. The 4-mile stretch from Cedarcrest Trail to the County line is nearly complete with the remaining work of: final layer of asphalt, gravel shouldering, final pavement markings, turf restoration and removal of any remaining erosion control items to be done in Spring 2025.

Citizen Comment

Adjourn

Motion made by Thill and seconded by Fitzwater to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Approved unanimously.

Bruce Fitzwater, Chair

Date

Andrea Nekowitsch, Clerk

Date