

Minutes
Munson Township Board Meeting
23857 County Road 23, Richmond, MN 56368
April 20, 2026 7:00 PM

April 2026 monthly meeting of the Munson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Matt Burg

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Chairman: Matt Burg; Supervisors: Butch Gertken, Joe Willenbring; Treasurer: Robin Caufman; P&Z Administrator: Lynn Burg; P&Z Chairman: Dean Holthaus; Clerk: Kathy Hemmesch

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Gertken to approve the agenda, second by Willenbring. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approve the March 2026 minutes. Motion to approve by Willenbring, second by Gertken. All in favor. Motion carried.

Pat Colville, Hidden Acres Resort requested approval for Wine and 3.2% Malt Liquor License. Motion by Gertken to approve application for Liquor License, second by Willenbring. All in favor. Motion carried.

Planning Board Chairman Holthaus said they have been reviewing the Solar and Wind Farm policies. They will start reviewing the Township Comprehensive Plan for any revisions or updates.

Joe Willenbring said Wakefield Township would like to revise the Road Maintenance Agreement which was passed in January. Wakefield had a complaint regarding the snowplow digging up their grass along the road. It is determined the grass is right up to the edge of the tar and in the road right of way. Wakefield Township has the policy to not disturb the landowners grass even if it is in the right of way. They would rather go back to rake and put grass seed in the area to keep the property owners happy. Wakefield Township will forward the agreement after it has been approved and executed at their next meeting.

Stearns County sent the Annual Bridge Inspection. It was noted there are a couple bolts loose on the Sauk River bridge on 260th Street. Matt Burg will check it out.

Right-of-Way Management Ordinance No.2026-1 was reviewed, motion by Willenbring to adopt the Ordinance, second by Gertken. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion on cutting road ditches for 2026. Quote from Matt Schmitz for \$105/hour plus fuel. Motion by Willenbring to have Schmitz cut township road ditches for 2026 season, second by Gertken. All in favor. Motion carried.

There was some road damage to Hilltop Road when Pilgrim's hauled out chickens in March. Bill from Hemmesch Excavating in the amount of \$3,210.00 to do road repairs will be sent to Pilgrim's for payment.

Township Fee Schedule was reviewed. Motion to adopt the Fee Schedule by Gertken, second by Willenbring. All in favor. Motion carried.

St. Martin Fire Department is ordering a new fire truck as well as turn out gear, helmets and boots. 6% of the total \$621,455 can be saved if it is paid in full within 40 days of ordering. Munson Township portion is approximately \$10,500. Truck will arrive in 2028, equipment is essential for immediate use and will be delivered soon after ordering.

Treasurer reported March receipts: \$1,442.43; claims: \$16,696.43. Bank balance: \$631,565.35. Checking: \$76,782.88; Money Market: \$252,874.15; 7-month CD: \$301,908.32. Motion by Willenbring to approve the Treasurer's repost, second by Gertken. All in favor. Motion carried.

Willenbring gave the Chain of Lakes Fire Department report.

Motion by Gertken, second by Willenbring to review and pay bills.

Road inspection will be April 27th 4:00 pm.

No further business. Motion by Willenbring to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. second by Gertken.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathy Hemmesch, Clerk