

## **Turtle Lake Township Regular Meeting Minutes October 6, 2025, 19143 Lake Julia Dr. NW Bemidji, MN**

The regular meeting of the governing body of Turtle Lake Township, Beltrami County MN was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Michelle Anderson. Also in attendance are Vice Chair Kenneth McBride, Supervisors Mark Haugen, Corey Wright, Leigh Sovde, Treasurer Christine Malterud, Road Supervisor/Zoning Administrator Kelly Booge and Clerk Lynn Johnson.

### **Public Attendees**

Karen Jacobson, Maria Kne, Dave Close and Kristy Roberts.

### **Approve Agenda**

Chair Anderson requested the town hall sign be added to the agenda under new business after RFA. Motion to approve agenda with addition by Chair Anderson, second by Supervisor Haugen. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Approve Regular Meeting Minutes of September 8, 2025**

Motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 8, 2025 by Supervisor Haugen, second by Vice Chair McBride. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Approve October 6, 2025 Treasurer's Report**

Motion to approve treasurer's report of October 6, 2025 by Chair Anderson, second by Supervisor Haugen. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Approve and Sign Claims and Payroll**

Motion to approve claims and payroll by Vice Chair McBride, second by Supervisor Sovde. Motion carried 5-0.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **General Road/Zoning Update**

Road Supervisor/Zoning Administrator Booge reported the roads are pretty fair but not perfect. Grading will be done when we get some moisture and hopefully again at the beginning of November to have the roads in good shape going into freeze up. No questions on his report.

#### **Turgi Hill Road**

Project is all but 3% complete and partial payment has been made. Wet weather created a soft spot that needed repair and held up progress. Seeding is done and looks good. Johnson Construction needs to blade the road two more times before project is complete and final payment is made.

### **Werner Road**

Project is 50% complete and partial payment has been made. Gravel will be done October 7<sup>th</sup> and hydro seeding should be done by the 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Grant**

Clerk reported that we have received two more payments from the Minnesota Historical Society for the archeological survey of the town hall property totaling \$24,000. Total grant money received to date is \$42,350.00.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **RFA**

Vice Chair McBride reported on the last RFA meeting. The Bemidji Fire Chief explained the expenses, many due to the June storm. They expect no increase in fees beyond cost of living adjustments for next year.

#### **Town Hall Sign**

The posts of the Beltrami Monument sign rotted off and the sign was blown over. It was suggested that the sign be moved to the big information board by the parking area. Motion by Supervisor Haugen to move the Beltrami Monument sign to the information board, second by Chair Anderson. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **Correspondence**

Northern Township amended petition, thank you from Minnesota Finlandia, PBC Customer Privacy Authorization.

#### **Public and Other**

Dave Close informed the Board that the tree that was removed from the cemetery had a lot of roots that were removed as well and that area will most likely sink over time so dirt will need to be added at a later date.

Vice Chair McBride asked if there were any updates on the County's Island View Drive reconstruction. There have not been any.

#### **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. by Chair Anderson, second by Supervisor Sovde. Motion carried 5-0.

**Approval of these Minutes from the October 6, 2025 Regular Township Meeting**

Approved Michelle Anderson Date 11/3/25

Ken O'Brien  
John Sorell  
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