

The **2026 Annual Meeting of Money Creek Township** was called to order by Clerk Adam Florin at 2:00 p.m. The clerk requested that everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance, which was then recited by the town.

**Clerk Florin** commented that the agenda for the meeting as well as the 2025 Financial Statement are available on each seat in the audience. **Clerk Florin** also reminded everyone that election polls would be open at 3:30PM and remain open until 8:00pm for the Annual Election of Officers.

Clerk **Florin** called for nominations for moderator of the 2026 Annual Meeting. Robin Danielson nominated Bets Reedy to serve as moderator. Steve Hartwick seconded this motion. Clerk Florin called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of Bets Reedy serving as moderator.

Robin Danielson made a motion to amend the 2025 Annual Meeting minutes to state that she found that the north side of the alleyway was vacated rather than the entire alleyway. Motion was seconded by Marion Nelson. Moderator Reedy called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Terrie Deboer provided the Treasurer's Report (attached). Diane Crane motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report. This motion was seconded by Dick Deboer. Moderator Reedy called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Discussion took place on the **2027 Levy**. At the Board of Audit meeting in February, the supervisors reviewed estimated expenses for the township for 2027, and the board recommended the following amounts by Fund.

• General Fund:	\$3,600
• Equipment Fund:	\$44,100
• Road & Bridge Fund:	\$244,755
• Fire Fund:	\$13,230
• Ambulance Fund:	\$13,230
• Solid Waste Fund:	\$13,230
• <u>Street Lighting Fund:</u>	<u>\$1,654</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$333,799</b>

After some discussion, **Rich Nelson** motioned to approve the 2027 Levy as proposed by the supervisors. This motion was seconded by Dick Deboer. Moderator **Reedy** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Discussion took place on the Houston County Fair donation. Steve Hartwick motioned to contribute \$500 again in 2026. This motion was seconded by Robin Danielson. Moderator Reedy called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Discussion about the town bank depositor. Treasurer Terrie Deboer mentioned that RSB has been fairly competitive as far as interest rates – savings at 1.87%, and the CD is 3.84%. Terrie also mentioned that the township can use this money at any time, not just when the CD matures. Rich Nelson made a motion to keep Rushford State Bank as the town depositor. This motion was seconded by Dick Deboer. Moderator Reedy called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The town electors discussed township attorney of Terry Chiglo. Robin Danielson motioned that we should shop around, but to retain Terry Chiglo for this current year. This motion was seconded by Diane Crane. Moderator Reedy called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Dick Deboer motioned to select the Fillmore County Journal, Caledonia Argus, and the township website as the town's official newspapers for public notices. This motion was seconded by Rich Nelson. Moderator Reedy called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Robin Danielson motioned to keep the gopher and woodchuck bounties at \$2 for gophers and \$3 for woodchucks. This motion was seconded by Steve Hartwick 2<sup>nd</sup>. Moderator Reedy called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Discussion took place on **HCTOA Question #1** – *How does your township feel about allowing 2 houses on a quarter/quarter?* There were some questions about the current zoning rules, as well as the reasons the county was posing this question. Randy mentioned that it was brought up at one of the commissioners meetings. Diane Crane mentioned that perhaps it could be done so that they aren't taking ag land out of production, to avoid losing good crop land. Robin says she would be in favor of keeping it the same. Wayne mentioned that he would be in favor of keeping it to 2 houses per 40. The general idea is that ag land should be preserved. Robin mentioned that the variance process could be simplified.

Discussion took place on **HCTOA Question #2** – *How does your township feel about commercial solar on Prime Ag land in Houston County?* Bets Reedy mentioned that there was a proposal for a 30-acre solar farm, and the plan called for sheep to be grazing underneath the solar panels. Randy questioned that when the solar panels are done being used, who would account for removing and disposing of the solar panels? One concern is that the panels can't be recycled easily. Again there were some questions and clarifications voiced, and confusion around the existing regulations. Rich Nelson commented he would not be in favor of it, as he has attended meetings and some townships have been held liable for cleanup. Diane Crane questioned whether the companies could be required to put aside some money to help deal with the cleanup.

Diane Crane asked if when roads are surface graveled this season, if the landowners could request deliveries. Paul mentioned that gravel could be applied, but it would be different than the township rate.

**Dick Deboer** motioned to set the 2027 Annual Meeting at 2:00PM on March 9, 2027. This motion was seconded by **Wayne Meyer**. Moderator **Reedy** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

**Robin Danielson** motioned to adjourn the 2026 Annual Town Meeting. This motion was seconded by **Rich Nelson**. Moderator **Reedy** asked for any further discussion – there was none. Moderator **Reedy** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of adjournment, and the meeting adjourned at 2:58pm.

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Adam Florin  
Clerk, Money Creek Township  
Houston County, MN

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Bets Reedy  
Money Creek Township  
2026 Annual Meeting Moderator