

**OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING OF Thursday, June 11th, 2026.**

The Grant Valley Town Board of Supervisors met for their regularly scheduled monthly business meeting on Thursday, June 11th, 2026 at the Grant Valley Town Hall.

Board Members present were, Chairman Hiltz, Supervisor Hiltz, Supervisor Eckman, Treasurer Slough, Clerk Stevens and Road Supervisor Christianson.

Chairman Hiltz welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order with the pledge to the flag at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Hiltz made a motion to approve the May 14th, 2026, Regular Meeting, Supervisor Eckman seconded the motion and it carried on unanimous roll call vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Slough read Treasurer Slough report of fund balances as General \$40,434.35, Road and Bridge \$1,133,024.36 Fire Fund \$6,872.22, with outstanding items of \$65.00 for a total cash on hand balance of \$1,180,395.93, Supervisor Eckman made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report subject to audit, Supervisor Hiltz seconded motion and it carried on unanimous roll call vote.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

The bills were reviewed and discussed. Supervisor Hiltz made a motion to pay bills as submitted, motion seconded by Supervisor Eckman seconded unanimous roll call vote.

VISITOR/CITIZEN COMMENT:

Citizens from Stone Lake Rd NW- Problem with dirt, gravel and dust. Discussion of paving and the process to pave a road. Gave out Road Policy to resident.

NEW BUSINESS:

Weed control- on hold this year- Treasurer Slough needs a W9 if we use him.

Archery Rd- tree cleaned up, Chairman Hiltz was called out by Sherrif's department at 3:30 AM to clean up a tree.

Election judge training- Clerk Stevens will notify the current election judges of the training in July.
Question of the Board of Review Training, they haven't been notified when the training is yet.

July 28th or 29th work for Chairman Hiltz to attend follow up informational meeting regarding planning & zoning and annexation.

Motion by Supervisor Hiltz Resolution designating officers to the Bemidji Rural Fire Committee- Chairman Hiltz is primary, Supervisor Hiltz is secondary. Motion seconded by Supervisor Eckman and passed unanimous roll call vote.

872 Shamrock Ct, has a bus at it, the resident is

Chairman Hiltz made a motion to send letter to Sara and to Red Lake School in regards to the bus that is parked on the road-right-of way, bus parked here is interfering with public safety, motion seconded by Supervisor Eckman and passed on unanimous roll call vote.

Advertise for paving- on hold until we hear back from DNR on Fern Lake Rd/Countryside.

Insurance- update from Keith in June. Interior is done; exterior will be finished soon. \$4,300 to shingle garage- shingle hall is \$13,500. \$2150 to turn into insurance.

CTAS training for Clerks and Treasures, June 23rd, 2026. Supervisor Hiltz made a motion for treasurers, Clerk to go to training, milage, and meeting, seconded by Supervisor Eckman and passed unanimous roll call vote.

OLD BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Countryside/Fern Lake rd- Chairman Hiltz talked with Jill Bitker and Matt Boyer and Murray Surveying. DNR measured 33ft from center line on Fern Lake RD to the big hill. Matt and Joe went out and got this done. On Countryside we are not going beyond the right of way there on the DNR property. This will be another 4-6 weeks until we hear back from the DNR.

Once the road is surveyed, it would be nice to get Jamie Listebarger, the Board and the Surveyor to look at the road/land together to visualize everything. Jamie plan on moving the apple trees if needed. The Board will keep Jamie posted on this.

Pera- Treasurer Slough is creating accounts and working on what would be needed to be paid for back pay if anything. Hoping for more info from training coming up.

Road tour complete- most done, Keith has some tar to do still. The end of Qunicy will be filed in. Bemidji Township letter was sent back to Clerk Stevens, she contacted them via email instead, they will discuss at their July meeting and get back to Grant Valley. Tony Kennedy on beavers, culverts Gary Skime may be needed

REPORTS:

Fire- Lots of fires, Kimmer Road had a big garage fire. New fire truck ordered, Fall 2027 is the tentative date for delivery, the city will pay for this. In process of ordering a tanker, this will be delivered in 2028 or 2029 (\$600,000). Grant for remodeling station 1 for \$450,000 to make this accessible for males/females and privacy. Issues with station 3 by airport. The new trucks are longer than the old one. The building is 6" to short, this is the airports building. Deputy fire chief retired, Chris Lobes is taking this position possibly, they will need to hire POC soon. They need to have 48 total.

Animal Control- No meeting, no update

City Annexation planning and zoning informational meeting was held at Bemidji Township with Eckles, Bemidji Township and Grant Valley this was an informational meeting about annexation with Mike Couri, the Attorney who represented Northern Township. The concern is when Adams Ave is planned to be worked on in 2028, that is when the city might put in city water and sewer. They will most likely try to start annexing Grant Valley and Bemidji Township. The Attorney suggested that the Townships start to "act like a city" with planning & zoning. Discussion about planning and zoning, the pros and cons. People live in Grant Valley because we do not have planning and zoning.

ROADS:

Fuel is at \$4.29, we are staying the same. Wade Thoring asking about mowing, we generally like it to be mowed the 1st week in August.

Supervisor Eckman would like to thank Keith for putting the new tables up and helping with the landscaping.

New door? The door needs to be replaced, prices on new doors

As there was no further business, Supervisor Eckman made a motion to adjourn at 8:47 PM, seconded by Supervisor Hiltz and carried on unanimous voice call vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Kayley Stevens, Clerk