

HAWLEY TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Location: 405 6th St. Hawley

Date: June 2, 2026

Chairman Rick Weaver opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Chairman Rick Weaver, Supervisor Everett Nelson, Supervisor Keith Cederberg, Treasurer Alissa Wang, and Clerk Denise Graunke.

Approval/Additions to the agenda: Cederberg moved to approve with the addition of discussing the Heartland Trail, Nelson second, motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None.

Clerk's Report: Nelson moved to approve, Cederberg second, motion passed unanimously

Treasurer's Report: Nelson moved to approve, Cederberg second, motion passed unanimously.

Building Permits: Nelson signed 1 building permit this month

Presentation of Bills:

1. City of Hawley, 2nd Quarter 2026 HERT, \$1,039.86 Check 3069
2. Cavin Berube, Planning commission May, \$75, Check 3070
3. Dennis Olsen, Planning Commission May, \$75, Check 3071
4. Chad Murray, Planning Commission May, \$75, Check 3072
5. Joseph Frisco, 36 Beavers, \$900, Check 3073
6. Voided check 3074, clerical error
7. Jacob Bjornson, 33 beavers, \$825, Check 3075
8. Kyle Rosenfeldt, 6 beavers, \$150, Check 3076
9. Northstar Self Storage, 12 months storage, \$840, Check 3077
10. Minnesota State Auditor, CTAS license, \$300, Check 3078
11. Hawley Old Timers, rent /storage (plus May and June extra meetings), \$190, Check 3079

Nelson moved to approve the payment of bills, Cederberg second, motion carried.

Correspondence:

Ottertail Power Company having public meetings on new rates.

Election Judge training coming up in July and October

Earthworks purchased Turner Sand and Gravel, there is a customer sheet that the clerk will fill out and return.

OLD BUSINESS

General Business:

1. Planning Commission reorganization: Nelson still looking for one more member. Clerk will put notice on website.
2. Web site, .gov address - new site is approved and should be redirected in June. New website is hawleytownshipmn.gov
3. Attorney bill for Manthe's Subdivision: We will settle once all engineering costs are completed

Road and Bridges:

1. Larson Hearing Update - Board is looking at other options for the turnaround after the last letter received from Larson's attorney. Rick will reach out to Buffalo Excavating to get some preliminary plans for other turnaround options in that area.
2. Amendment to Road Gravel Policy, Driveway Access Policy - Attorney has to review
3. Road Maintenance Policy, Weed Control Policy - no updates
4. Stop Sign at 192nd and 4th Ave S: Board has decided to leave this as a 3 way stop. Rick will set stop sign in correct spot now that ground has thawed.
5. Spring Road Inspection: report on this will come next month.

Fire and HERT:

1. Review of 1998 Joint Powers Agreement: Board can review proposed amendments and have any comments back before July 15th Fire meeting..

Landfill: They are trying to build a berm to help with the high wind issues and trash blowing around.

Weed and Gopher: Lots of beavers this season turned in.

Other Old Business: None

NEW BUSINESS

General Business:

1. Venue 31 liquor license: Nelson moved to approve Venue 31 continuing its liquor license, Cederberg seconded, motion carried.
2. Josh Hansen Variance: Planning commission recommends approving this. Nelson moved to approve Hansen's variance request to allow for a 2nd residence to be built on that parcel. Cederberg seconded, motion carried.
3. Polling place: Clerk will look into the correct form needed so we can maintain mail-in ballot for state and federal, and have the senior center as the in-person polling place.

Road and Bridges:

1. 192nd St S Dust control and blading: residents had called to get the road bladed and had gotten Glacier to pause putting on dust control until that was completed.
2. Heartland trail update: the group trying to bring this forward is trying to determine if this should be a state trail or a regional trail. A regional trail would have more control over who can use it, but maintenance costs would be on the county. A State trail would also need to be public and then allow for snowmobiles to be on it. That group is meeting with the Clay County commission next week.

Fire and HERT: None

Landfill: None

Weed and Gopher: None

Other New Business: There will be a planning commission meeting on June 17th for a variance being requested by Slette.

Adjournment: Nelson moved to adjourn at 8:16 pm, Cederberg second, motion carried.

Rick Weaver, Chairman

Everett Nelson, Vice-Chairman

Denise Graunke, Clerk
