

Greenwood Township Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2026 - 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Meeting is being recorded for transcription and archival purposes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All present recited the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Chair Paul Thompson-2, Vice Chair Paul Skubic-1, Supervisor Steve Bradach-4, Supervisor Lois Roskoski-5, Treasurer Jill Clark, and Clerk Theresa Martinson

Members absent: Supervisor Craig Gilbert-3 (excused)

Others present: Brian Trancheff, Brianna Lofquist, Dan Carnicom, Steve Zaudtke, David Farley, James Galonski, Karen Saarela, Chelsea Grover and Jodi Summit (The Timberjay)

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limited to 3 minutes)

None

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

Moved by Skubic, supported by Roskoski to accept agenda as presented. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

MINUTE APPROVAL

Moved by Skubic, supported by Roskoski to approve Minutes from Regular Meeting held June 9, 2026. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

FINANCIAL REPORTS – TREASURER CLARK

TREASURER REPORT: Treasurer Clark indicated that all reports are in the packet. The County tax payment of \$337,000 came in July but not in reports. Discussion on designating funds into investments while cash flow is needed for projects until grant reimbursements are received.

Future meeting item will include considering transitioning from ADP completing payroll to doing in-house. A cancelation of those services would need to be done in October.

Moved by Roskoski, supported by Skubic to approve the Treasurer's Report. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

CLAIMS:

Discussion on payroll checks not being cashed from previous officials. A policy will be considered.

Moved by Skubic, supported by Thompson to approve claims as presented. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

PAYROLL:

Moved by Skubic, supported by Roskoski to approve payroll. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT – CHIEF TRANCHEFF

1. Activity, Calls, Trainings, Requests, FF resignation

Treasurer Clark shared that she will be attending the Cotton Snowmobile Club meeting to present a donation consideration, due to gambling at one of the local establishments within the township.

Chief Trancheff provided a June 2026 report on calls: Fire-8/Training-2 events and EMS calls-13 with one training event. Engine #1 had an AC and heat distribution failure along with a fuel gauge issue and was sent into Ascendance Truck Center in Virginia for repairs and it is now back in service.

Boat #1 has been having fuel issues on the starboard engine. Grubens Marina has been working to find a solution. The problem has been intermittent and on-going and this has created a diagnostic issue. The boat is a 2009 and most of the systems are original and it has twin Evinrude E Tech 300 hp motors. Parts are getting harder to locate. Supervisor Skubic shared his concern with repairs and that new motors are needed. Trancheff will obtain pricing and present to the board along with explanation and description of updates.

Trancheff recognized the fire crew responded to a house fire and was able to contain the fire to the room it started in! A good portion of that home and its contents are intact thanks to the interior attack by Greenwood Fire.

Total Fire responses (January-June 2026) total of 35 (49 to date as of meeting time). EMS 58.

The Sprint Medic Program is a valuable asset in the area with great response times and care provided. Trancheff encouraged support of this program. Ideas for support include inviting the paramedics and legislators also to a future board meeting. The program funding is anticipated to last until June of 2027. Clerk will connect with representatives and a future gathering will be potentially held locally to gain support.

Macqueen will be bringing a demo engine to view. Department will follow up with Firewise personnel later in the fall.

“Watch Duty” is a great mobile app to download. It can assist with smoke calls and your individual location and educational efforts.

Chair Thompson shared that forestry department was looking to potentially utilize the Greenwood facilities for a fire suppression command center.

Moved by Roskoski, supported by Skubic to accept the resignation of Katherine Hill from Fire-EMS effective July 14, 2026. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

Moved by Roskoski, supported by Skubic to purchase a \$50,000 CD from Park State Bank for 7 months at 4% interest rate, dedicated as Fire Capital Fund. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

OLD BUSINESS

1. IRRRB Grant Public Works Grant Bids – Chair Thompson
Bids presented for Furnace Replacement (2 horizontal gas furnaces) in the townhall from Carlson Duluth Company in the amount of \$33,980 and Hibbing Heating & Air Conditioning in the amount of \$60,750.

Moved by Skubic, supported by Bradach to award the low bid by Carlson Company in the amount of \$33,980.00. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

Replacement of a water storage tank in the Greenwood Fire Hall. Bids were received from Bob Hecimovich Mechanical Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$20,000 and Iron Range Plumbing and Heating in the amount of \$50,767.75.

Moved by Roskoski, supported by Skubic to accept the low bid from Bob Hecimovich Mechanical Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$20,000 to install a 5,000 gallon poly tank at Greenwood Township Firehall. Bid includes removal of existing **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

2. Bridge update / Isle of Pines funding / letter from Dan Carnicom dated July 6, 2026
Supervisor Roskoski will set up a meeting with Supervisor Gilbert and members of the association to discuss the willingness to return funds and the stipulations. She will report at a future board meeting.

3. Public Water Source/Water Pressure – Chair Thompson/Supervisor Bradach
Chair Thompson shared that the fire department cabinet area will be cleaned out during the water tank changeout and will tie-in with the IRRR project.

4. Trail Project – Supervisor Skubic

Supervisor Skubic shared that he talked to the contractor last week and they have a big job in another community and are hoping for the end of the month to complete the trail project.

5. @greenwoodslcmn.gov email address changeover update – Clerk Martinson shared that the final update has occurred and all communication should now utilize the .gov addresses. All contact lists will be updated.

6. Parking lot crack sealing – Clerk Martinson

Two bids will be received for this project and presented at next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Petition to attach part of Town of Greenwood to Town of Goodwill under Minnesota Statutes 379.02 (Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 10 AM at the Cook Community Center, 510 Gopher Drive, Cook, MN). – Clerk Martinson reported that she received a phone call from St. Louis County Auditor's regarding this petition and the public hearing date. A special meeting notice will be posted for the Greenwood Board to be in attendance. The petition is included in the packets. Comment on fire service abilities, history of the property annexation, the effect to tax base, etc. Chair Thompson will work with the township attorney on this petition and response.

2. Lakes Gas Board members, staff, and volunteer discount program

Discount Program offered at same rate as township for the same term of three years. A list of individuals will be provided by Clerk Martinson.

Moved by Bradach, supported by Roskoski to approve the pricing and discount program offered to Greenwood Township officials and employees with Lakes Gas for the three-year contract. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

3. Red Sunset Development – Road names and addressing – Supervisor Roskoski
Greenwood Township is responsible for naming roads in the township. A development map is included in packets. Developer will be responsible for purchasing signs and installing; St. Louis County will put up any signage that intersects with County 115. The inventory of sign posts that the township owns will be offered at a price of \$15.00. The developer has offered names of roads in the development.

Moved by Thompson, supported by Bradach to name the following roads in the Red Sunset Development as follows: the Yellow Road – the Cher Ami Drive; Red Road – Posey Trail; White Road – Kahoots Trail; and Green Road – Alango Trail. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

Moved by Skubic, supported by Thompson to sell the signposts the township has in storage for \$15.00/piece. The township will keep a dozen of the inventory. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

4. City of Tower invoice for Ambulance Vehicle Aid – Supervisor Roskoski
Third year of a three-year contract share for ambulance vehicles based on population \$25.00/per person/based on 1041 residents (2020 census).

Moved by Roskoski, supported by Skubic to approve the 2026 payment to the Tower Ambulance in the amount of \$26,025.00 for the ambulance vehicle. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

5. MATIT insurance payment
Supervisors Bradach and Roskoski updated on insurance coverages. Payment has been approved in claims.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Thompson	Joint Powers & Recreation Representative Successful community picnic. Pickleball attendance off due to heat. Noxious Weed Personnel Committee Recreation Committee Liaison Broadband Joint Airport Zoning Board
Skubic	Lodging Tax Board Representative Road Supervisor When contractor completes bike trail, Birch Point Extension will be patched at the same time.
Bradach	Broadband Liaison Personnel Committee Recreation Committee Alternate Consider donations at next community picnic.
Gilbert	Fire Department Liaison Grounds and Maintenance Ambulance Committee Alternate

Roskoski Ambulance Committee
RAMS Representative
911 Assignment

**Very busy making 911 signs and in need of double-sided signs.
Discussion on placement and other rules on signs.**

CLERK REPORT

1. Elections – Judge appointments, absentee voting, primary election – August 11, 2026, time schedule, North Woods LEO Club donation request, other updates and any correspondence.

Absentee balloting information shared and posted on bulletin boards and web page. The date of Primary Election is August 11, 2026.

Moved by Skubic, supported by Thompson to appoint Donna Snyder as election judge.

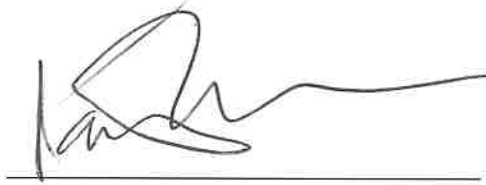
MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Due to expended budget donation funds: Moved by Roskoski, supported by Skubic to receive and file the donation request from the North Woods Leo Club. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

ADJOURNMENT

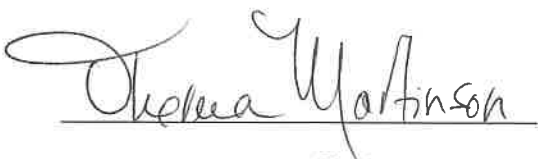
Moved by Thompson, supported by Skubic to adjourn the meeting at 8 PM. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Respectfully submitted and signed:

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Paul Thompson, Chair

Recorded and attested:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Theresa Martinson', written over a horizontal line.

Theresa Martinson, Clerk