

Greenwood Township Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2026 - 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:31 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: None

Others present: Brian Trancheff, Brianna Lofquist, Dan Carnicom, David Farley, James Galonski, Chelsea Grover, Steve Roskoski, Linda Smith, Mike Nystrom, and Jodi Summit (The Timberjay)

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limited to 3 minutes)

Lloyd Ollila, long term resident of Greenwood Township, shared concerns about the level of noise created by bands/music played on the deck of the former Bayview Lodge and Restaurant now called, "Tavern in the Bay" and historical data on previous permits and noise concerns documented in letters dated October 12, 2012, May 3, 2013, and September 14, 2010, that will be on file at the town hall. Mr. Ollila would like the board to address the level of music. Chair Thompson will communicate with the owner that there are some concerned residents.

David Farley shared appreciation for paving the Mesabi/Bike Trail but addressed maintenance concerns with a culvert placement and crack sealing in the future. The area of concern is located approximately 300 yards from the start of the trail, where the water runs over the top and ices up in the winter. Board members will assess this request.

Steve Lenertz, through phone access (Conference Call connection), submitted a late letter that will be in the board members' emails regarding the Isle of Pines funds topic. Lenertz completed research and would share that information, He asked the board to consider tabling any motions or discussion until next month. If the board requests, he will attend a meeting to review that information.

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

Moved by Skubic, supported by Gilbert to accept agenda as presented. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

MINUTE APPROVAL

Moved by Roskoski, supported by Skubic to approve Minutes from Regular Meeting held July 14, 2026. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

FINANCIAL REPORTS – TREASURER CLARK

TREASURER REPORT: Treasurer Clark shared information on certificates of deposit.

Extensive discussion on previously written checks that have not been cashed. Clark talked with the Department of Commerce (DOC) on the details of outstanding checks and notification process. There is a 90-day time-period from the date of the check to cash them. There needs to be documentation prior to turning outstanding checks to the DOC by November 1st.

Grant funding from IRRR was budgeted for 2027, some expenses will occur in 2026, showing a negative balance.

Moved by Bradach, supported by Thompson to transfer \$100,000 from the Building Capital Equipment Fund (228) to the Fund 100 checking account to purchase the certificate of deposit. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Moved by Roskoski, supported by Skubic to authorize the Treasurer to cancel the Greenwood credit card (Elan) effective immediately. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Motion by Bradach, supported by Skubic authorizing Chair Paul Thompson to apply for a replacement/new credit card. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

CLAIMS:

Moved by Bradach, supported by Skubic to approve claims as presented in the amount of \$40,013.24 in addition to Carlson Duluth payment of \$16,990 totaling \$57,003.24.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Moved by Roskoski, supported by Gilbert to purchase a \$50,000 CD from the Fire Capital Fund for 6-10 months at the best rate available. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

The Road and Bridge funds are from St. Louis County and are to be used towards road improvements.

Moved by Roskoski, supported by Bradach to invest \$100,000 from Fund (228) - Capital Improvements for 6-10 months at the highest rate. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

PAYROLL:

Chief Trancheff updated on the wildland firefighting through the DNR and the reimbursement for truck and crew rates. The net revenue should be \$22,000 (5 days on fire).

Moved by Skubic, supported by Gilbert to approve payroll. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Moved by Thompson, supported by Skubic to approve the Treasurer's Report. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Moved by Thompson, supported by Skubic to approve and adopt **RESOLUTION NO. – 2026-08, accepting Donations from CC Riders Snowmobile Club (to Fire Dept.) and Farley Family.** **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT – CHIEF TRANCHEFF

1. Activity, Calls, Trainings, Requests, Policies, Job Descriptions

Chief Trancheff reviewed the July 2026 report including calls, training, and activity.

Policies and job descriptions (Wildland Firefighter and Driver Engineer) drafts were presented to encourage additional participation. Discussion also on PERA credits. Board members will review information submitted and provide any recommended changes to the fire department.

Moved by Thompson, supported by Skubic to include the Wildland Firefighter, Driver Engineer and PERA credits on the September 8th agenda. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Still waiting for quotes for refit. Engine 1 build is coming together on paper. The Firewise Group is planning to attend the next board meeting. Gilbert asked about the need for three quotes; Thompson reaffirmed that if township works with Sourcewell, this complies with legal requirements.

OLD BUSINESS

1. IRRR Public Works Grant – Chair Thompson

Carlson Duluth received 50% payment and will order equipment. Hecimovich is ordering tank and schedule of work will commence. The well system was dead, again, and it was filled twice and probably needs a new pressure switch.

Based on IRRR budget and clarity of grant funds, there should be enough to bundle heat pump, furnace and water system updates. The remaining funds will be used for window replacements.

2. Bridge update / Isle of Pines funding - Supervisor Roskoski/Supervisor Gilbert
Roskoski provided a timeline that starts in 1979 of the bridge and Isle of Pines funding research.

Moved by Thompson, supported by Gilbert to give Roskoski permission to discuss the Isle of Pines matters with Township Attorney Mike Couri. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Bradach shared that St. Louis County will be putting some numbers together and address the maintenance of bridge.

An agreement between parties (Greenwood and IOPA) will be drafted and presented in the future.

3. Public Water Source/Water Pressure – Chair Thompson/Supervisor Bradach
Pressure tank is faulty and should be able to be replaced with grant funds as part of building project. Interior and exterior gallons usage has been documented.

4. Trail Project – Supervisor Skubic
Resurfacing of the trail has been completed.

5. Parking lot crack sealing – Clerk Martinson
Two bids were presented to crack seal approximately 2000 feet of cracks (1/4 inch deep) in the parking lots at town hall. TNT Sealers in the amount of \$800 and Fahrner in the amount of \$8,000.

Moved by Bradach, supported by Thompson to accept and award the bid to TNT Sealers in the amount of \$800 to crack seal parking lots. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

6. 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) – Chair Thompson – Officially served with notification of the 38 individuals (20 parcels) who filed petition to be annexed into Goodwill. Attorney was contacted and St. Louis County Auditor's Office provided some tax value information that was shared.

Moved by Skubic, supported by Gilbert to authorize Chair Thompson to send a letter to parcel owners that will be affected by this proposed annexation. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Separate street names for Red Sunset and updated fee schedule for fire signs
Based on map provided and included in board packets: Moved by Roskoski, supported by Skubic to approve naming the following roads in the Red Sunset Development as follows: Orange Road (runs North and South) – Meyers Road, Pink Road (North and South) – Onamanii Way and the Blue Road (East and West) – Mattson Lane. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Due to the cost of producing signs, Moved by Skubic, supported by Gilbert to adopt the following fees; new address, including one - 2-sided fire sign for roadways - \$65; One (1 sided) fire sign for dock or boathouse - \$25/each; Replacement 2-sided sign - \$40.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

2. AC Unit(s) quotes – Clerk Martinson – Only one quote has been received, an additional quote is needed and will be provided.

3. Corporate Four insurance payment

Moved by Skubic, supported by Roskoski to approve payment to Corporate Four for Public Officials Management (Directors & Officers) and Employment Practices Liability in the amount of \$13,005.71. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

4. Frontier Communications – Chair Thompson – it was shared that the company may be removing some service areas.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Thompson Joint Powers & Recreation Representative
Noxious Weed Representative
Personnel Committee
Recreation Committee Liaison
Broadband Alternate
Joint Airport Zoning Board

Skubic Lodging Tax Board Representative
Road Supervisor **Birch Point Road should be done soon.**

Bradach Broadband Liaison
Personnel Committee
Recreation Committee Alternate
Hendricks/Johnson court pushed out until December/January

Gilbert Fire Department Liaison
Grounds and Maintenance
Ambulance Committee Alternate

Roskoski Ambulance Committee
 RAMS Representative
 911 Assignment

CLERK REPORT

1. Elections – Letter of appreciation will be sent to Kathy Lovgren for serving as Head Judge by Chair and Clerk. An invite was shared for the Heiam Foundation, MAT District 10 meeting and IRRR State of the Range. Correspondence on the St. Louis County fee land for sale was provided. Clerk contacted the City of Virginia Fire Department and communicated that legislative support would be helpful for the Sprint Medic Program.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Skubic, supported by Bradach to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 PM. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Respectfully submitted and signed:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Paul Thompson', written over a horizontal line.

Paul Thompson, Chair

Recorded and attested:

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

Theresa Martinson, Clerk