



FOREST TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time of Meeting: May 12, 2026 6:30 p.m.		
Present: Tim Holzkamm, Barb Christiansen, Lynn Lindow, Donna Walliczek Absent: Karen Hefner Visitors: Matt Smith, Mark Veronen		
Agenda Item	Discussion Points/Notes	Actions/Follow-up Needed
Pledge of Allegiance Visitor Sign in		
Consent agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 14, 2026, Minutes • Treasurers Report • Approval of Claims 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review minutes. • Submit reports. • Submit claims. 	Motion to approve consent agenda – Barb, second by Lynn. Motion carried
• Public Comment		
• Clerk’s Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auditor-Treasurer information received with election items required • Candidate filing begins May 19 – June 2. Must post your notice of filing by June 30 and post notice of candidate filing by July 2 • Barb Christiansen term final 12/31/26 • Karen Hefner marked as appointed • Election Judge current certification is valid through 6/30/26. Current members are Lisa Jackson, John LaFond, Monette Lundquist and Carol Peterson • Election Judge training on websites will be available for sign up • Becker County has elected to vote by mail ballot. A Post Notice of Mail Ballot must be submitted by 6/2/26 • Township Taxes Voted needs signatures and submission along with Township Officers and Mail Ballot documents 	<p>Need to post open positions by May 19th</p> <p>Need to follow up on members needed for the 7/1/26-6/30/28 time-period</p> <p>Karen to submit to Becker County</p>

<p>Board Member Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Hall • Trash/Recycle • Roads • Planning Commission • Weed Report • Website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring 2026 Amnesty Day is scheduled for May 23 from 8-5 or until the dumpsters are full • The board will report on their road tour • Spring 2026 Road Clean-Up is scheduled for Saturday, May 16th. Plan to meet at Red Top Road at 9:00 a.m. for your road assignment. • Borgen permit 	<p>Tim will check on the hole by the building and fill it in.</p> <p>Tim has ordered 4 dumpsters and he will contact Bill J. to work on Saturday</p> <p>Permit for a 40'x68' building, permit approved and fee paid</p> <p>No issues with weeds or website at this time.</p>
<p>Old Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matthew Smith requested time to speak with the board about an easement request • Road tour date – Done today • Becker County dust control program request is due by 5/20/26 - Dust control not being done this year. See Road Tour Minutes for more information. 	<p>Matt S. requested road easement from the township for his property. He offered to complete the road first then bring it to the town board and designate it as a minimum maintenance road. The board explained that that would require maintenance costs from our township and Matt's property is in a different county and township. The town board recommended that Matt go through Becker County for his easement request. This was recently done with another property in Forest Township and it was approved by the county. Lynn motioned to decline the road easement request for W. Gardner Lake Road, Tim second. Motion approved. Dust control was discussed at the Road Tour mtg and it was decided to not apply dust control this year. More information is on the Road</p>

		Four minutes and they will be posted on the website.
New Business	Lynn shared information to what was discussed at the Planning mtg last week. Some changes were made to the posting and Lynn will contact the webmaster, Mark T., to decide where to post the meetings and the minutes on the township website. She will contact Mark with the minutes from the meetings regarding wake boats. The Planning Committee has requested funds from the township for printing and mailing of the survey that will be sent out. Tim motioned to approve up to \$400 to complete and mail the initial survey, Lynn second, motion approved.	
Adjourn		Lynn moved to adjourn, Tim second, motion carried

Tim Holzkamm Date

Barb Christiansen Date

Lynn Lindow Date

Karen Hefner /Clerk Date