



NININGER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
APRIL 21, 2026, 7 PM
MINUTES

12390 Ivanhoe Way
Hastings, MN 55033

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Members' present: David (Dave) Bauer, Chair, Karen Bremer, Vice Chair, Terry Crisp, Supervisor, Margaret Flower, Clerk

Absent: Janet Bremer, Treasurer

Guests present: Jesse Frandrup, Mary Low & Pete Rivard, Jaci Crisp, Mike Kafizinski, Bob Silker, Andy Neuman, Kiki Neuman, Clare & Brad Endres, Larry Neuman, Ann and Lynn Mershon, Jeremiah Stevens

1. **Meeting called to order by** Dave Bauer at 7 PM
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited by all.
3. **Approval of Agenda**—Dave Bauer--Karen moved to approve the agenda as presented and the motion was seconded by Terry, All ayes. Motion passed.
4. **Approval of Minutes of Board of Supervisors** -March 17, 2026, meeting—Terry moved to accept the minutes as written and Karen seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.
5. **Treasurer's Report**—Janet Bremer – Since Janet was absent Margaret presented the treasurer's report as follows:

Beginning Balance	\$401,232.90
Total Receipts	\$4,060.13
Total Disbursed	\$21,986.03
Ending Balance	\$383,307.00

Karen moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented and file for audit and the motion was seconded by Terry. All ayes. Motion passed.

6. **Public Comment: Dakota County Deputy Parker**—No problems in the township lately. A stoplight has been installed at the on and off ramps at Hwy 52 and 160th Street. It is not known whether these will be permanent. The number of accidents has decreased since installing the traffic lights...
 - **Andy Neuman** - Larry Neuman plans to sell part of his land to two grandchildren, likely requiring a minor lot split or subdivision. Mike Hamilton was recommended for advice. The property has four lots; one is used, three remain. The process will be lengthy but feasible.
 - **John Bremer** - Mike Slavik reported that the county will not request township funding for the sheriff department at this time.
1. **Planning Commission Report**-Building Permit-
 - Robert & Michaela Silker**, 10555 132nd St. Hastings, MN 55033,
20-foot by 8-foot addition to the home at that address for pool storage
Karen moved to approve the building permit for the above property. Terry seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed. A check for \$138.86 was received.
2. **Road & Bridges Report**---Dave Bauer

- A. **Mailboxes**—Snowplow damage to mailboxes was discussed. Dave said we will not replace them. The policy states that homeowners are responsible for replacing mailboxes that have been knocked over. Board will discuss it later if we want to change policy. Dave met with post office and indicated the regarding replacement of mailbox. We will continue with our policy of not replacing mailboxes. The mailbox policy has been in place for approximately 50 years.
 - B. **Road Survey:** Terry has received unofficial road mileage data from the Department of Transportation, which will be maintained in our records for reference during road repairs.
 - C. **Luhman’s Construction Contract**—There will be a 30-minute limit on this topic. Terry noticed a vast amount of scalpification on the roads. Roads have been good in the last few years. Terry noted we need to establish a contract with Luhman’s. MAT attorneys warn that without a contract this could expose the township to liability. Karen feels that Luhman’s should make the decision to apply sand to road. If ice is on the road for 3 days we could have a liability with accidents. Darwin and Dan Fox report that two pieces of equipment are assigned to Nininger. Luhman’s lacks contracts with other serviced townships. Residents question why contractors are not required to repair roads or ditches they damage, noting that such repairs could raise contract costs.
 - D. **Road Audit**—Ditch, Crack Seal, Asphalt Repair. Discussed the implementation of a three-year cycle for road repairs in designated areas for the year. Would like to start with Jacob Ave between 160th and Hwy 55. The road report was discussed and will be discussed further later. The meeting will be left open to allow for more complete review of the roads.
3. **Fire Report---** Terry Crisp met with Lisa Rowan and John Maher on March 27. Our contract with Hastings for fire and ambulance services ends December 2027; negotiations begin this year. Costs are expected to rise, exact amount unknown. Next meeting is May 11. Updates to follow.
 4. **Town Hall Maintenance/Correspondence**—Karen Bremer-Karen will wash windows after bugs are sprayed. She has completed all necessary maintenance now.
 5. **Old Business.**
 - A. **Nininger Township 2050 Comp Plan-** A resolution was made by Karen to participate in the assistance from Small Communities Planning Program. The motion was seconded by Terry. All ayes. Motion passed. It is a program from MET council that will assist Nininger Township in developing their 2050 Comprehensive plan. Margaret will send paper that indicates we are interested in participating in this program.
 - B. **Met Council-April 2026 PlanIt News Blast -Information only**
 1. **Annexation by City of Hastings**— Dave is preparing information regarding annexation laws. Once the draft is finalized, it will be posted on the website. The City of Hastings has indicated an interest in discussing annexation next month. If we choose to proceed with an orderly annexation, we will receive a portion of the tax base; if we decline, we will not receive any share of the tax base. We need to notify the city of our decision regarding orderly annexation.
 - C. **Cannabis**-No report
 - D. **Metropolitan Council State of the Region 2026**-Thursday, May 21, 2026-Information only.

6. New Business

A. Review of recent snowfall plowing-Terry Crisp-Discussed earlier

B. Fire Signs—The township provides your first fire sign at no cost. If you need a replacement, you are responsible for purchasing it. These signs help emergency personnel locate your home.

C. Dakota County-Nininger Twp - 2nd Quarter 2026 Update-Information only.

D. Nininger Township has two seats on the Flint Hills Community Action Council. Only one seat is filled; the township will assist in seeking a suitable candidate for the remaining seat.

E. Website-Terry Flower would like to retire from doing website. Mark Opseth is willing take over the website if agreeable with the township. Mark will attend the May meeting of the Town board to answer any questions about website

F. Planning Commission Seats-

1. **Terry Flower** was appointed to the planning commission. The ordinance states that we shall have 5 members on board and Terry would make 6. . Dave made a motion to rescind the appointment of Terry Flower to the planning commission and motion was seconded by Terry. All ayes. Motion passed.

2. **Ted Wagner** Ted requested this meeting be public as opposed to a closed meeting. Ted Wagner has been consistently missing several meetings during the year. His understanding is that Planning Commission chairmen can authorize an excused absence. He is in violation of ordinance by missing 3 or more meetings. John Bremer does not want to force Ted to resign Ted does not want to resign. The options are:

- Vote to terminate Ted
 - Place him on probation; if he fails to meet ordinance requirements, he will be removed from the commission.
 - Remote meetings are possibly but expensive
- Dave made a motion that Ted will abide by the requirements of the ordinance as interpreted by our attorney. If he does not abide by the standards he will be removed from the Planning Commission. Karen seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.

3. **John Bremer** would like to change ordinance 15 to increase the number of members on the planning commission. The planning commission will discuss this further in May. Dave moved for planning commission review Ordinance 15- Nininger Township ordinance establishing a planning Commission” within 3 months and report findings to board. Karen seconded the motion. All ayes motion passed.

7. Approve and Pay Bills

Vender	Check Number	Amount
Centerpoint Energy	9782	\$150.83
Dakota Electric	9783	\$74.24
Hiawatha Broadband	9784	\$121.66
Inspectron	9785	\$281.25
Luhman’s Construction	9786	\$11,318.65
Tanner & Hamilton, P.A.	9787	\$1,166.25
Xcel Energy	9788	\$14.87
Dakota Cty Property< Taxation	9789	\$73.00
David Bauer	9790	\$49.44

Karen Bremer	9791	\$5.06
Margaret Flower	9792	\$266.80
Janet Bremer	9793	\$82.42
IRS/FICA	EFT 41	\$2,007.12
MN Dept of Revenue	EFT 42	\$200.00
Escrow Precision Landscape	TRF040126	\$2,107.50
Total		\$17929.09

Karen moved that we pay the bill as presented and Terry seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.

Next meetings: Planning Commission Meeting-Monday, May 4, 2026,8 pm

Board of Supervisors Meeting Tuesday, May 19, 2026, 7 pm.

- Adjournment:** Karen moved to that the meeting be left open for Terry and Dave to review road maintenance; motion seconded by Terry. All ayes. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 10:12pm

Respectfully Submitted.

Margaret Flower, Clerk
Nininger Township