



NININGER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MAY 19, 2026, 7 PM
MINUTES

12390 Ivanhoe Way
Hastings, MN 55033

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Members present: David Bauer, Chair, Janet Bremer, Treasurer, Karen Bremer, Vice Chair, Terry Crisp, Supervisor, Margaret Flower, Clerk

Guests: Sam Enebak, Tom Stutz, Patrick Ware, John Hinzman, Kelly Murtaugh, Bryan Deane, Rich Fasbender, Paul Harris, Eli Hauschild, Joy Conzemius, Rob & Mary Anderon, Merrit Clapp-Smith, Tom Lewanski, Gail Conzemius, Juanita Sorg, Gabriella, Hudek, Brandon Lewanski, Kevin Chamberlin, Harrison & Patti Benjamin, Terry Flower, Mark Opseth

1. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all at 7:02 pm
2. **Motion to close the April 21, 2026 meeting**--Karen made a motion to close the April 21, 2026 meeting and the motion was seconded by Terry. All ayes. Motion passed.
3. **Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Dave Bauer**
4. **Approval of Agenda**—Dave Bauer—Karen moved to accept the agenda as presented and motion seconded by Terry. All ayes. Motion passed.
5. **Approval of Minutes of Board of Supervisors** -April 21, 2026, meeting. —Terry moved to accept the minutes as presented and the motion was seconded by Karen. All ayes. Motion passed.

6. **Treasurer’s Report**—Janet Bremer

Beginning Balance	\$383,307.00
Total Receipts	\$19,827.37
Total Disbursed	\$15,821.59
Ending Balance	\$387,312.78

Karen moved to approve the treasurers report as presented and file for audit presented. The motion was seconded by Terry. Motion carried. All ayes.

7. **Hastings/Nininger Orderly annexation Agreement-Dave**
Terry Crisp-John Hinzman, City of Hastings, Todd Stutz Tradition Development, Lakeville, MN.
Sam Enebak, Tradition Development.
Terry Crisp, Supervisor, had several questions and comments which are on the attached sheet. Terry also requested that an Administrative Law Judge look at the agreement. This is unprecedented and it was decided that it was not necessary.
The possibility of Nininger Township becoming the City of Nininger was discussed. Dave explained the incorporation process. The township considered this option in 2025 and decided not to pursue it because it would be costly, take several years, and require significant development—an outcome residents do not want.

Terry Crisp moved to amend Resolution 7 of the” Joint resolution for orderly annexation between Nininger Township and the City of Hastings” to make the City responsible for all legal and related costs incurred by the township. The motion received no second. Terry Crisp voted yea, while David Bauer and Karen Bremer nay. The motion failed, 2–1. John Hinzman responded that the request appeared reasonable and stated that he would bring it back to the City Council for review. Attached are Terry’s full comments on the annexation process.

Dave thanked Terry for the time and effort devoted to this matter and said it was not personal. He said revising the resolution would not be in the township's financial interest. The township does not support the annexation but wants to remain a good neighbor.

Dave asked that the City Counsel to approach Nininger Township about any future annexations to help maintain dialogue and trust between the two parties. Mr. Hinzman will provide feedback on that request. Dave moved to approve Resolution 12, "Joint resolution for orderly annexation between Nininger Township and the City of Hastings" as presented and the motion was seconded by Karen. Karen and Dave ayes and Terry nay. Motion passed 2:1.

Development on the Conzemius property is expected to include single-family homes valued at \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000 and townhomes valued at \$500,000 to \$750,000.

The Conzemius family wants the homestead to remain in Nininger Township and not be annexed by the city. The current resolution is intended to protect the Conzemius homestead's status within the township.

The township's share of the tax base for 2026 and 2027 is \$1,600 per year, or \$3,200 total over the two years.

8. **Public Comment:** Several community members expressed opposition to the annexation. It was explained that, under current law, the township has no authority to stop an annexation when both the seller and the city agree to it.
9. **Planning Commission Report-Building Permits**
 - A. **Juanita Sorg** 13645 Mississippi Trail, Hastings, MN, Home Addition- Valuation-\$550,000.00-Permit Fee-\$6,002.56, Karen moved to approve the building permit for the home addition and Terry seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.
 - B. **Harris Builders**, Homeowner-Mark & Sara Vieth, 10001 140th St. Hastings, MN, Valuation-\$100, 000.00, Permit fee-\$1,689.69 Karen moved to approve the building permit for the home addition and Terry seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.
10. **Road & Bridges Report**---Dave Bauer
 - A. Road Survey/Audit Update—Dave will submit a written report and ask RSM for an estimate to repair all paved roads.
 - B. B. The roads will be treated with chloride in June, weather permitting. This cannot be done in dry conditions.
11. **Fire Report**---Terry Crisp-The township cost for fire and ambulance service is \$42,384.24 due July 15, and \$42,383.24 due in December. Complete report from fire meeting attached.
12. **Town Hall Maintenance/Correspondence**—Karen Bremer
 - A. **Old Business**
 - B. **Nininger Township 2050 Comp Plan** assistance through Small Communities Planning Program-Merrit Clapp-Smith,
 - C. **Cannabis**-Nothing new
 - D. **Flint Hills Community Advisory Council**-Kevin Carroll-Unable to attend. Will check about next month.
13. **New Business**
 - A. **Mark Opseth**—New webmaster. He will be paid a prorated annual fee of \$500 in December and reimbursed for the domain name and website costs. Karen moved to approve Mark as the new webmaster. Terry seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.
 - B. **Met Council Invitation:** Review of 2025 Generalized Land Use Data
This information was shared earlier by email. The goal is to finalize the work by the end of June. Initial discussions focused on coordinating the Met Council-funded program, and all required documents are current. The final contract is expected by the end of June.

The first step is to form township work groups, which may include board members and residents, and determine the topics the plan will cover. Rural area density is not a priority. The plan is expected to be completed in May 2028, presented to the council, and followed by a six-month review period.

- B. Town Hall usage**—Discussion postponed. Board members will research the issue and discuss it next month.
- C. Gates on Pine Bend Trail**—Eli Hauschild raised concerns that the gate was being left open. Tom Lewanski of Dakota County Parks said the county believed the township wanted the gate to remain open. He also said the original lock was missing, so the county installed a new one. The township does not currently have keys to the lock. Tom will speak with the parks director and follow up with Margaret.
- D. Scott Blehm**, Commercial Vehicle Inspector, Dakota County Sheriff's Office, Questions regarding commercial vehicle traffic going down the road.

Margaret will ask Scott to attend the next meeting and explain his role in the township.

- E. Motion to approve Fireworks/Pyrotechnic Special Effects**—Karen moved to approve the fireworks agreement for The Wexford/Emerald Greens on June 5 at approximately 10:00 p.m. Terry seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.

13. Approve and Pay Bills

Vendor	Check Number	Amount
Centerpoint Energy	9794	\$88.85
Dakota Energy	9795	\$70.72
Hiawatha Broadband	9796	\$121.66
Inspectron	9797	\$93.75
Tanner & Hamilton, P.A.	9798	\$1,462.50
Xcel Energy	9799	\$14.89
MN Assoc Of Township	9800	\$75.00
Mark Opseth	9801	\$263.07
Total		\$2,190.44

Karen moved to pay the bills as presented and the motion was seconded by Terry. All ayes. Motion carried.

Next meetings: Planning Commission Meeting-Monday, June 1, 2026,8 pm
Board of Supervisors Meeting Tuesday, June 16, 2026, 7 pm.

- 14. Adjournment** Karen moved to adjourn at 9:55 pm and the motion was seconded by Terry. All ayes. Motion carried. 9:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

**Margaret Flower, Clerk
 Nininger Township**