



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

HELGA TOWNSHIP 25895 Co 9 BEMIDJI, MN

August 26th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Kip Reinarz, Harrison Hicks, Keith Kinnen, Joanna Olson-Hammerstrom, Jeanie Porter Clerk, Kathy Skinner, Treasurer, Alicia Mueller, Property Manager, Becky Reinarz, Planning and Zoning Commission, Kurt Fenner, Dana Gellatley

Absent: P and Z: Chris Heck

Guests: Barry Horn, Mike Karvacko, Sarah Karvacko, Deputy Kortney Villnow

CONSENT AGENDA

Kip Reinarz called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Review and Approve Regular Minutes from July 22nd, 2025

Motion: Kip Reinarz made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from 7/22/2025 with the addition of Alicia Mueller being absent from the meeting. Harrison Hicks seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Claims list for approval-Check #111779-11793; Payroll #11794-11801

Motion: Kip Reinarz made a motion to approve the claims list #111779-11793; Payroll-11794-11801 Harrison Hicks seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report for July 31st, 2025

Total assets: \$455,811.70 55% of budget spent

Motion: Kip Reinarz made a motion to approve the treasurer's report from 6/30/2025. Joanna Olson-Hammerstrom seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Land Use Report

21 permits year to date

Ordinance update tabled until January

Town Hall Report

Grant recommendations received from Historical Society. Final application is due September 12, 2025

Motion: Kip Reinarz made a motion to hire someone to scrape and paint the entry canopy and paint the steel door for up to \$2000.00. Harrison Hicks seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Joanna will call and get bids and hire someone to complete the painting before winter.



Fire Report

Answers to questions posed last month:

- 1) Safer Grant terms have changed so it will no longer cover the cost of additional firefighters. Chief has canceled the request for now.
- 2) Insurance question: Statute 366.011 states that townships can submit to insurance for reimbursement for fire protection services provided. BFRAs will be discussing how to move forward with this.

Road Report

Stop signs and posts are here. Kip Reinartz will contact to get stop signs placed on Vinewood intersection
Mason and Doug will be asked to clear branches hanging in front of road signs as they are clearing the ditches
of storm debris.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Public Comment- none

Draft Ordinance Review-Tabled until January. Set a meeting date at the organizational meeting.

Adjourn Meeting

Motion: Kip Reinartz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm. Joanna Olson-Hammerstrom seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Regular Meeting September 23th , 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.

Kathy Skinner, Clerk

Kip Reinartz, Chairman