

**Minutes**  
**EAGLES NEST TOWNSHIP**  
**Board of Supervisors Meeting**  
**February 18, 2026**

**Call to Order**

Supervisor Monahan-Junek called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Sup Brian Harrington, Sup Jackie Monahan-Junek, Sup Carlson, Clerk Keely Drange, Treasurer Mary Beth Monte and Gwen Potter were in attendance. Sup Chiabotti attended via Zoom due to being out of the country.

Roll call vote was taken and unless otherwise noted, motions carried unanimously.

**Agenda**

Sup Carlson moved, seconded by Sup Harrington to approve the agenda for the February 18, 2026 Board of Supervisors meeting.

A finance report was added as agenda item number 11.

**Minutes**

Sup Harrington moved, seconded by Sup Chiabotti to approve the January 20, 2026 Budget Workshop, the January 20, 2026 Special Meeting, the January 21, 2026 Board of Supervisors Meeting, and the Minutes for the January 21, 2026 Board of Audit Meeting. All minutes approved in one motion. Motion carried.

**Communications**

Sup Carlson moved, seconded by Sup Harrington to approve the communications list. Motion carried.

Sup Harrington reached out to Joshua Brinkman, St. Louis County Emergency Manager, to see how the Township can become involved in the development of the St. Louis County Emergency Management Plan. Joshua explained that once the consultants are finished drafting the plan. It will go out to cities and townships within the county for review.

When an email is responded to by township supervisors and staff, the response will be included within the communications file.

**Citizens' concerns**

None at this time

**Reports**

**Clerk**

The clerk reminded the supervisors of the upcoming annual meeting in March and to draft supervisor reports.

**Treasurer**

Sup Harrington moved, seconded by Sup Carlson to approve the payroll and claims. Sup Monahan-Junek, Sup Carlson and Sup Harrington aye and Sup Chiabotti abstains as he was not able to review payroll and claims file due to being away. Motion carried.

Payroll Check numbers 12226-12242. \$4,236.30.

Claim Numbers for December 5245-5262 and check numbers 12223-12225 (claims from last month that cleared after the meeting) 12243-12251; 12253-12254; 12259-12261 for a total of \$18,466.75.

The total for payroll and claims is \$22,703.05.

Sup Harrington moved, seconded by Sup Chiabotti to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Sup Harrington moved, seconded by Sup Chiabotti to transfer \$50,000 from the general fund money market into the checking account. Motion carried.

All Amazon purchases will be on the credit card and not directly from the checking account.

#### Building and Grounds

Sup Chiabotti is working to get a motion light installed on the eastern side of the building. H&S will install an outlet for the light.

Clyde Peterson may need to fill the sand barrel sand at the hall.

Fire: See report.

#### Roads:

Spruce Street is still being plowed. Sup Carlson will call and remind Robinson Lake Trucking not to plow Spruce Street.

#### Land:

Sup Monahan-Junek will respond to the boundary and annexation letter. Sup Monahan-Junek is reading through the large amount of Park Land files.

#### Website and Broadband:

The .gov domain and emails for the township are up and running.

Sup Harrington has updated Lakes Association information.

#### Emergency Preparedness

Sup Harrington and Sup Monahan-Junek met with Jessica Oldenburg to go over the plan on what is needed to be accomplished with Firewise.

Jessica reviewed and reported on new information regarding a Community Wildfire Defense Grant which is new to the township.

Sup Harrington and Sup Monahan-Junek will work with Jessica to develop Firewise priorities. The ENCEP program may become more of a community-based committee that would include road ambassadors and others who may be interested in joining.

#### Water

Nothing at this time.

#### Outreach and Networking

Sup Harrington and Sup Monahan-Junek plan to attend Township Day at the capitol.

Some supervisors maybe attending the spring short courses at various locations.

#### Finance

Sup Monahan-Junek will draft on a financial report to hand out at the township annual meeting complimentary to what the Treasurer will report.

Sup Harrington recommends to increase the levy 2.5% this will keep the township closer to inflation. The levy amount will be proposed at \$254,000. Motion carried.

Sup Harrington moves, seconded by Sup Carlson to suggest the recommended levy be set at \$254,000 at the annual meeting.

Sup Harrington moved, seconded by Sup Monahan-Junek for the board to hold an additional budget workshop on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. Motion carried.

### **Old Business**

None at this time.

### **New Business**

#### Letter of Support for Hwy 169/1/77 Improvements

St. Louis County and MNDOT are looking for a letter of support from the township for the future installation of a traffic circle. Sup Monahan-Junek would like to know if Bois Forte is on board with this proposal among other questions.

Sup Harrington recommends that the board not take action on the letter of support at this time as he feels they need more information on the traffic issues and solutions.

Sup Chiabotti moved, seconded by Sup Carlson to support the form letter from St. Louis County regarding the traffic improvements at the intersection of Hwy 77/1/169. Sup Carlson and Sup Chiabotti aye. Sup Harrington abstains. Sup Monahan-Junek opposed. Motion carried.

Sup Monahan-Junek may be in favor of a support letter at a later date with more information from St. Louis County. Sup Monahan-Junek will reach out to St. Louis County for more information on the proposal.

#### 911 Fire Signs Quote Review

Sup Chiabotti moved, seconded by Sup Harrington to approve the expense for the remaining 911 fire signs. Sup Chiabotti, Sup Carlson and Sup Harrington aye. Sup Monahan-Junek opposed. Motion approved.

#### Supervisor concerns

None at this time.

#### Adjournment

Sup Carlson moved, seconded by Sup Harrington to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Keely Drange, Clerk