

CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING

MAY 12, 2025

PRESENT: Board Supervisors: Jim Fridstrom (Chairman), Dale B. Anderson (Supervisor) & Mike Furlong (Supervisor)

Treasurer: Arianna Weiler

Clerk: Darrell Vosika

Road Maintenance Supervisor: Rob A. Anderson (Employee)

LOCATION: Cambridge Township Hall located in the Isanti County Historical Society Building (33525 FLANDERS ST. NE, CAMBRIDGE).

1. Chairman Jim Fridstrom called the Monthly Board Meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

M/S: DALE B. ANDERSON / MIKE FURLONG (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE.

M = OFFICER MAKING THE MOTION

S = OFFICER SECONDING THE MOTION

4. **Approval of the MINUTES of APRIL 14, 2025, MONTHLY BOARD MEETING.**

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 14, 2025, MONTHLY BOARD MEETING.

M/S: MIKE FURLONG / DALE B. ANDERSON (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE

4A. **Approval of the MINUTES of APRIL 26, 2025, ANNUAL ROAD REVIEW.**

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 26, 2025, ANNUAL ROAD REVIEW.

M/S: DALE B. ANDERSON / MIKE FURLONG (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE

5. **FINANCIAL REPORTS** were prepared by Arianna Weiler, Treasurer, Carol Williams Kahring, Deputy Treasurer and Darrell Vosika, Township Clerk.

A. MISC. INCOME:

i) Federated Co-ops Inc, - Fuel Rebate (\$0.06/gal)	\$ 255.41
ii) Driveway Permit – Brett Slepica Const.	\$ 300.00
iii) The Brass Rail – Twp Liquor License Fee (20%)	\$ 540.00
iv) Driveway Permit – A. Deans (Ck#1875)	\$ 400.00
v) Utility Permit #2025-02 – ECE#202509052	\$ 100.00
vi) Lumen Tech Services – Refund on discontinued services	\$ 157.76

B. The following **FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

CLERK'S REPORTS:

i) Bank Account Reports: **APRIL 30, 2025**

ii) Interest & Dividend reports: **APRIL 30, 2025**

iii) Copy of First Bank & Trust April 2025, Checking Account Balance Form

TREASURER'S REPORTS:

i) CTAS REPORTS available are as follows:

a) 5/12/2025 – Claim List for Approval

CLERK & TREASURER'S MONTHLY EXPENSE REPORT

a) Clerk's **APRIL 2025** Expenses: \$ 20,353.19

b) Treasurer's **APRIL 2025** Expenses: \$ 20,353.19

C. BANKING (INTRAfi PROGRAM):

Regarding the Cambridge Township accounts, First Bank and Trust was recently alerted to the fact that Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) is raising their cost to collateralize public funds significantly. Because public funds need to be fully insured, First Bank & Trust is changing how they insure the Township's funds. They will be using a program called intrafi. Instead of your funds being insured by pledged loans through FHLB, they will **now be FDIC insured**. All of the Township's funds will remain in First Bank & Trust, but First Bank & Trust will need to set up shadow sweep accounts which will require signatures from the Township. The interest rates will not change on our accounts. Jim & Darrell will make an appointment at First Bank & Trust to clarify details of the new system.

D. TOWNSHIP CREDIT CARD – The clerk will redeem reward points for cash credit on the card Balance.

E. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

MOTION: TO APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS AS PRESENTED AT THE MAY 12, 2025, MEETING

M/S: DALE B. ANDERSON / MIKE FURLONG (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE

6. SCHEDULED BUSINESS:

A. **ISANTI CO. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY** – **JEFF ROD** came before the Township Board requesting consent of the Town Board for the County of Isanti to issue the following license:

i) TEMPORARY ON-SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSE – for the Isanti County Fair during July 16 – 20, 2025, and for the Cambridge-Isanti All School Reunion on August 9, 2025.

MOTION: THE TOWN BOARD GIVES THE ISANTI CO. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY (JEFF ROD) CONSENT FOR THE COUNTY OF ISANTI TO ISSUE A TEMPORARY ON-SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE DATES LISTED ON THE CONSENT FORMS CONTINGENT UPON THE TOWNSHIP RECEIVING A COPY OF THEIR 2025 RENEWED LIABILITY INSURANCE.

M/S: DALE B. ANDERSON / MIKE FURLONG (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE

B. **HAWK'S NEST (ELIASSEN ENTERPRISES LLC)** – JULIE ELIASSEN, REPRESENTING HAWK'S NEST, CAME BEFORE THE BOARD ASKING FOR CONSENT OF THE TOWN BOARD FOR THE COUNTY OF ISANTI TO ISSUE A LIQUOR LICENSE. THE FOLLOWING LICENSES WERE BEING REQUESTED:

ON-SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR

OFF-SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR

SUNDAY LIQUOR

MOTION: TO GRANT CONSENT FOR THE ELIASSEN ENTERPRISES LLC TO HAVE THE COUNTY OF ISANTI TO ISSUE THE FOLLOWING LIQUOR LICENSES BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025:

ON-SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR

**OFF-SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR
SUNDAY LIQUOR**

**CONTINGENT UPON THE TOWNSHIP RECEIVING A COPY OF THEIR 2025
RENEWED LIABILITY INSURANCE.**

M/S: MIKE FURLONG / DALE B. ANDERSON (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE

A TOWNSHIP FEE OF 20% (\$540.00) OF THE COUNTY LICENSE FEE WAS CHARGED PER MINNESOTA STATUE #340A.408

- C. **343rd AVE & RAILROAD CROSSING**- - Alex Fiorini, PE, Manager Public Projects, was not available to attend. The Board would still like to have him attend a future Board meeting to discuss the situation and be available to answer any questions/concerns.

7. NEW BUSINESS AT PUBLIC REQUEST:

- A. **LYLE ERICKSON** – brought in 10 pairs of Gopher Front Feet (Gopher Bounty \$2/Gopher). A check will be mailed to Mr. Erickson from the Township for \$20.00.
Lyle Erickson
34580 6th St NE
Cambridge, Mn 55008
- B. **MIKE HOCKERT** – Cambridge Township resident: 34800 6th St NE Cambridge, Mn. Came before the board to see if any progress has been discovered regarding the history on the future paving of 6th St NE in regards to any agreement related to the paving of 339th Ave NE & 340th Ave NE (1994). As of this meeting, the clerk was unable to find any documentation in the minutes regarding an agreement related to the future paving of 6th St. NE. The clerk will continue to search the minutes for any documentation on this subject. In the meantime, the board has the following suggestions: i) Get a road count
ii) Consider using dust control
- C. **HAZEL ERIKSON** – Cambridge Township resident (32598 Iwo Jima St. NE) Came before the board seeking information in relation to the future date of the paving and possible assessments on 328th Ave NE. The board notified her that the board has **no date** for the future paving of 328th Ave NE and **no decision** on what percentage of the paving cost would be assessed to the area property owners.

8. ROAD BUSINESS

A. **ROB'S REPORT:**

- i) **Dust Control for Roads** – The township did receive an estimate from Central Minnesota Dust Control, LLC, for the application of dust control on township roads in 2025. The price estimate was \$1.26/gallon
Details: 33% Liquid Dustgard PLUS Magnesium Chloride
(Equivalent to 38.5% Calcium Chloride)
Price includes product, product application and any applicable taxes
Application rate of 0.30 or 1/3 gallon per square yard
Price per gallon = \$ 1.26
Price per foot = \$ 0.76
Price per mile = \$4,012.80

UPDATE: The dust control application for 2025 should be applied

sometime between June 10th – 15th.

ii) **CAT H140H BLADE:** A number of concerns have been addressed:

- a) Wiring problem by the tilt wheel has been repaired by Jim & Rob
- b) Repaired– Circle Drawbar – Ziegler Co. has repaired.

Cost: \$3,189.73 (includes travel cost: \$715.70)

- c) To be repaired: R & R Moldboard Slide Cylinder

The township has accepted Lake State Repair estimate of \$5,244 for a rebuilt cylinder

iii) **County Road 10 in Chisago County is being closed for a period of time.**

They are again using the detour route that includes 349th Ave NE and Packard St NE. The contracting company for Chisago County will again pay to have the Cambridge Township roads chloride (dust control).

iv) **Grandy Nine Golf Course entrance road project** – Rob working with Craig Nystrom, Grandy Nine owner, continued to work on the water drainage project. They installed 2 culverts and some rock across the entrance road. Cambridge Township paid for 1 culvert and the rock while Craig paid for 1 culvert and supplied the necessary backhoe work.

B. **ROAD ORDINANCE REVIEW** – The Board will continue to work on reviewing & updating the Cambridge Township Road Ordinance 101 once all the various sections of the Comprehensive Plan have been finalized. Jim is on a Sub-Committee that will review the changes in the plan.

Multi Driveways – The present Cambridge Township Road Ordinance 101 states:

SECTION 10: DRIVEWAY AND MAILBOX POST

#9 Except for agricultural purposes, no single residential unit shall have more than one driveway.

The board is presently working on reviewing and updating the driveway section of the Ordinance 101. After consulting with an attorney, it was recommended that the entire Ordinance 101 be reviewed and updated rather than one or more sections. The township will have to go thru proper channels which include having a public hearing on the changes. Jim recommends that the township use Troy Gilchrist (612-234-7539) from TLC (Town Law Center PLLP) as an attorney for updating the road ordinance.

C. **UTILITY PERMITS** – The clerk reported that the township has issued 11 Utility Permits

D. **NORTH PINE LAKE ROAD** – Fish Lake Township had called a meeting with both Cambridge Township and North Branch Township to discuss the reconstruction and paving of North Pine Lake Road. The estimated cost of the project is \$ 1,540,515.00 of which they are requesting Cambridge Township to be responsible for \$ 128,850.00 (10%). Supervisor Jim Fridstrom represented the township at the meeting that was scheduled on April 29th, 2025, 6:30pm @ Fish Lake Township Hall.

UPDATE: Jim attended the meeting and reported that the project start date has been delayed by at least 2 years. North Branch Township reported not having the funds available for such a project at this time. Rob suggested that

Cambridge Township might benefit by using this 2-year delay to do some of the reconstruction work on the township's 1400 feet of road.

- E. **STATE OF MN/GRANDY** – Rob met previously with a Mn State Highway representative in Grandy at the intersection of 368th Lane and State Hwy 65 to discuss future reconstruction in that area. State Hwy Dept gave an estimate of \$14,197.20 if they would include the cost in the reconstruction scheduled for State Hwy 65 in the near future. Rob met with two companies to get estimates for the work. Neither of the two companies could come close to the Mn State Highway estimate.

****NOTE:** A requirement of the Mn State Highway estimate is that the Township would need to cut a check for the estimated amount by **December 31, 2025**. The work is scheduled to be done in 2026.

UPDATE: The board instructed the clerk to issue a check for the amount at the **November 10, 2025**, monthly meeting.

- F. **2025 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT – DRAINAGE SYSTEMS (DITCHES)** – The township received a 2025 tax statement with an assessment owed to Isanti County by the township for a total amount of \$ 1,358.67 (\$679.34 due 5/15/2025 & \$679.33 due 10/15/2025). Joe Willaert, Drainage Ditch Inspector, can be reached at 763-689-8259.

UPDATE: the township paid the first half tax assessment

9. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **BROADBAND (FIBER OPTIC)** - www.ecefiber.com

*****LUMEN/CENTURYLINK** – Discontinued service on 12/18/224

UPDATE: the township has received the refund for overcharges (the pro-rated refund amount = \$ 157.76)

- B. **ECE LETTER OF SUPPORT REQUEST – MN BEAD (BROADBAND EQUITY, ACCESS AND DEPLOYMENT)**

UPDATE: the township sent a letter of support as requested and did receive a thank you back for the letter from East Central Energy (ECE).

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **ISANTI COUNTY TOWNSHIP OFFICERS ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY MEETING**

The meeting was held on April 24, 2025, @ 7pm at the Isanti County Government Center. 5 Board members attended the meeting, Supervisors Jim Fridstrom, Dale B. Anderson, Mike Furlong, Treasurer Arianna Weiler and Clerk Darrell Vosika. Presentations were as follows:

- a) On State Ditch assessments by Joe Willaert (Drainage Ditch Inspector)
- b) E-Poll Pads by Angie Larson (County Auditor)

- B. **MAT – SURVEY ON FIRE CONTRACT** – The Minnesota Association of Townships (MAT) sent a request to townships to fill out a survey on fire contracts that the towns have with fire departments that serve them. Cambridge Township only has one fire department that serves them (City of Cambridge Fire Dept.). The clerk filled out the survey on 4/21/2025.

- C. **ARPA (AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT)** – The SLFRF Annual Report for 2025 was completed and sent by the clerk on 4/30/2025 @ 3:18pm. The last report required will be the report due April 30, 2026.
- D. **MATIT CLC 2025-26 COVERAGE POLICY REVIEW** – Board members received a copy of the 2025-26 Consolidated Liability Coverage (CLC) documents to review. Check for any changes or updates that may be needed for the policy and notify the clerk who will then notify MATIT.
- E. **MINNESOTA HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (HSEM)** - Offering a four-part Senior Officials Train Program – **Deadline to apply: May 13, 2025**
No one from the board is available to attend.
- F. **MN PAID LEAVE** – New paid leave law projected to go into effect January 1, **2026**. Minnesota employers (**including townships**) must prepare by completing a number of requirements.
- G. **AMAZON BUSINESS PRIME FOR MINNESOTA TOWNSHIPS** – MAT benefit
MAT members are able to receive free Business Prime.

11. ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REPORT – Bill Berg, District 2 County Commissioner, was in attendance and updated the board on County Commissioner meetings and actions.
E-Poll Pads
New County Highway Garage Location

12. MAILINGS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

- A. ECHOES – Seven County Senior Federation newspaper (March/April 2025)
- B. Lakes and Pines CAC, Inc. Newsletter (April/May 2025)

13. OFFICERS BUSINESS

- A. CLERK Nothing.
- B. TREASURER: Nothing
- C. SUPERVISORS Dale reported that in the Bayview development, LaVern Road ends before bordering Skogman Lake. James Schafter owns a small plat between LaVern Road and Skogman Lake.

14. REPORT OF **ISANTI COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION – JIM** – Nothing for the Township

15. REPORT OF **ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT – JIM** –

5/8/2025 – Great River Energy request

The Board discussed the request and instructed the Clerk to write a letter to the Isanti County Zoning Dept. stating that the Board opposes the Great River Energy request.

Motion: The Cambridge Township Board opposes the Great River Energy request for a variance as presented at the 5/8/2025 Isanti County Board of Adjustment.

M/S: Dale B. Anderson / Mike Furlong (vote: 3-0) to approve

16. REPORT OF **NORTH TH 65 CORRIDOR COALITION – MIKE** – Next scheduled meeting was April 24, 2025,

at 6:30pm (in person or via Webex) – that meeting was the same evening as the Isanti County Township Officers Association Meeting and Mike attended that meeting.

17. NOTICES:

- A. **JUNE 9, 2025** – Next Cambridge Township monthly meeting @ 7PM
- B. **AUGUST 19, 2025** – District 7 MAT Meeting (time to be determined)
Anoka Ramsey Community College
(Cambridge Campus)
300 Spirit River Dr. S.
Cambridge, MN

18. OTHER BUSINESS:

- A. **TOWNSHIP LEGAL SEMINAR PRESENTED BY COURI & RUPPE LAW OFFICE.**
Choose between 4 dates and 4 locations.
To register go directly to their website: www.couriruppe.com
Click on the “Township Legal seminar” tab or
Call Kathy at (763) 497-1930
- B. **MAT’S 2025 TOWN LAW REVIEW** – Friday, May 30, 2025
Location: Rockwoods Event Center
9100 Quaday Ave NE
Otsego, Mn 55330
Can register on MAT Website

19. **MOTION MADE TO PAY THE BILLS AS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT ON MAY 12, 2025.**

M/S: DALE B. ANDERSON / MIKE FURLONG (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE

20. **MOTION MADE TO ADJOURN AT 8:17PM.**

M/S: MIKE FURLONG / DALE B. ANDERSON (VOTE: 3-0) TO ADJOURN

DARRELL VOSIKA, CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP CLERK