Approved Minutes September 15, 2026

Regular Stanton Township Board Meeting

Township Officials Attending: Chair, Karen Slininger; Vice Chair Bruce Ohmann, Road Manager, Danny Lundell; Treasurer, Mary Lundell; Clerk, Cheryle Peters

The meeting was called to order at 7pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Any conflicts of interest were called. None were heard.

Agenda: The agenda was reviewed. Bruce Ohmann made a motion to approve the agenda; Karen Slininger seconded the motion; the motion passed 2/0.

Approve August 18th, 2026 Minutes: Karen Slininger made a motion to approve the August, 2026 minutes; Bruce Ohmann seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0.

Public to Speak Regarding Non-Agenda Items:

Zoning Requests/Permits:

1. Archie Olson, a representative of Archetype Sign, requested approval to wall mount a sign, similar to a sign, also, wall mounted on a different building on the campus. The Seed Care Institute is the primary building; The "Biologicals Institute" is the secondary sign for the secondary building. The sign dimensions are approximately: 168" wide x 72" high; the Ordinance considers signage controls as a "no fee" review. Parcel #410302500, 378.27 acres. Bruce Ohmann made a motion to approve the request. Karen Slininger seconded the motion; the motion passed 2/0.

2. Mr. Tom Otte, 28937 Northfield Blvd, Randolph, MN 55065, requested a Zoning Certificate approving the construction of a 60x120 farm building on his Parcel #410162301. The parcel is zoned A-2 under Stanton Township jurisdiction, 135.56 acres. Setbacks are called out as 100 feet from the center of the road, 30 feet on each side and 50 feet on the rear. Karen Slininger made a motion to approve the request; Bruce Ohmann seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0.

3. Mike and Cheryl Husman, 30149 59th Avenue Way Cannon Falls, MN 55009, requested a Zoning Certificate approving the construction of an addition between the existing shops at 30149 59th Avenue Way Cannon Falls, MN 55009. Parcel #410130701 is zoned R-l, 1.93 acres; Parcel #410131200 is also Zoned R-1, 5 acres. The parcels have been combined per Goodhue County Records, 6.93 acres, #410131200.

   The 26x40 addition is intended to provide needed access to the existing shop buildings. The proposal requires a Township Variance on building size; the hearing had been conducted September 8th, 2026 @ 7:15pm. Bruce Ohmann made a motion to approve the request for a Variance and the associated Zoning Certificate; Karen Slininger seconded the motion for the Variance request and the Zoning Certificate for the construction project. The motion passed 2/0.

4. Melissa Tousignant, on behalf of Minnesota Energy Resources, 2685 145 Street West, Rosemount, MN 55068, requested an Excavation Permit for a natural gas connection at 30558 Oxford Mill Road. The permit is pending for only the bond notice. Karen Slininger made a

motion to deny a waiver request for the $10,000 bond requirement for Excavation permits; Bruce Ohmann seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0.

Clerk's Report:

1. Cheryle reported that the Town Board Certification for the 2026 property tax levy, payable in 2027, would be due September 30th, 2026. Discussion ensued regarding the unexpected decrease in the contracted amount invoiced by the Randolph Hampton Fire District, $5,591. Pursuant to § 365.18 regarding town board annual levy for police and fire protection Karen Slininger made a motion to reduce the levy amount by $3,000. Bruce Ohmann seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0. The Fire fund was modified to $45,000 from $48,000. The total levy was modified to $286,000 from $289,000.

2. Cheryle reported that she had been approached by two different people regarding the absence of an interest-bearing account, higher than the amount produced by the checking account. Bruce Ohmann made a motion to deposit $20,000 from the Building fund into First Farmers and Merchants Bank; Karen Slininger seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0. According to Mary's research, the six-month term was advertised at a rate of 3.65%.

   Treasurer Lundell noted that First Farmers and Merchants Bank provides an annual pledge regarding uninsured balances belonging to the township.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance $250,989.81

Receipts	**$2,343.35**
Disbursed	**$16,517.49**
Ending Balance	**$236,815.67**
August, 2025	**$220,205.25**

Mary Lundell recited the township's "receipts and disbursements", August 1-31st, 2026 including a total. She then submitted the Cash Control Report and Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Balances (Schedule 1 YTD) and requested that the supervisors sign it. They did so. The Clerk's reconciliation of the bank statement and Cash Control Report were not available for Supervisors' review and signatures.

A brief year to date review, of historic Fund balances, was made. The monthly Ending Balance for August 2025 was noted as $220,205.25

Bruce Ohmann made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; Karen Slininger seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0.

Building Report:

Road Report:

1. Danny reported that the Peterbilt was in the shop for repair.

2. Danny reported that the mailbox had been hit; the Sheriff's office had been called regarding the damage; Cheryle provided the Call for Service report.

3. Oxford Mill Road was noted for pothole repair before winter. Danny reported that he had graded Oxford Mill Road.

Old Business:

Drafts for the Road maintenance documents, slightly revised by the township attorney, were discussed for near future action in September/October and limited to Winter Services. The drafts were deemed to be final copy. A copy of the Town's Winter Road Maintenance Services Agreement should be included in mailings and made available with other formats of contact, as well. Karen Slininger made a motion to schedule and post a Special Town Board meeting for Tuesday September 22, 2026 @7pm at the Town Hall to discuss Winter Road Maintenance final details; Bruce Ohmann seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0.

New Business:

Karen Slininger made a motion to adopt Resolution #09152026G, appointing election judges for service November 3rd, 2026 during the Mid Term General elections. Bruce Ohmann seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0.

Ordinance Review:

1. Review of an item in the Goodhue County Ordinance on the subject of Accessory building sizes, relative to the township's Residential Zoning District, limit of 7200sq. feet. A public hearing, was conducted September 8th, 2026 @ 7:30pm. Karen Slininger made a motion to approve the language as written for a Text Amendment to the township Ordinance. Bruce Ohmann seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0.

2. Proposed Text Amendment regarding Airfield Adjoining Property Regulations: The language would be inserted into Section 20 SPECIAL PROVISIONS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS continuing with letter **T. "Airfield Adjoining Property Regulations".** This language was developed after residents associated with the Stanton Airfield had become aware of the McKeag land split. Their wishes were to include appropriate aviation authorities before making land-use changes or constructing near the Stanton Airfield. Public Hearing will be scheduled for October 13th, 2026. Informational at this time.

Meetings/Trainings Attended:

1. MAT Conferences via Zoom on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays
2. Mary reported that she had attended the L&R event: LRIP, Transportation Funding, EMS, Annexation and Data Centers were subjects noted.
3. The upcoming MAT Annual Meeting and Conference was reported to be located, in Nisswa, for the December 2026 event.

Mail: Karen Slininger made a motion to open mail; Bruce Ohmann seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0.

Claims: Karen Slininger made a motion to pay claims; Bruce seconded the motion; The motion passed 2/0.

Adjourn: Karen Slininger made a motion to adjourn 9:01pm. Bruce Ohmann seconded the motion. The motion passed 2/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryle A. Peters

Clerk, Stanton Township_____

Chair, Karen Slininger, Stanton Township Board of Supervisors_____