

MINDEN TOWNSHIP

2989 GOLDEN SPIKE RD NE
SAUK RAPIDS, MN 56379
EST: 1858

Minutes for **June 10th, 2025 7:00 PM**

Public Meeting

Monthly Township Meeting called to order @ **7:02 pm** by **S.S.**

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Board Members Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Simones	Chairman
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Ebnet	Supervisor
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bruce Bonebright	Supervisor
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sabrina Hess	Clerk-Appointed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Esther Ebnet	Treasurer-Appointed

Others Present: Natalia Madryga, Pam Benoit, Adam Gracia, Jean Ebnet.

1. Approve Minutes of **May 13th, 2025**.
 - a. Motion by: **M.E** Approve Minutes. Second by: **B.B.**
 - b. Vote was called for all-**Yes, 0-No**. Motion **Carried**
2. Approve Treasurer's report **June 10th, 2025**.
 - a. Motion by: **M.E.** Approve Treasurer's. Second by: **B.B.**
 - b. Vote was called for all-**Yes, 0-No**. Motion **Carried**
3. Approve Claims, Bills, & Payroll for **June 2025**.
 - a. Motion by: **M.E.** Approve Claims, Bills, & Payroll. Second by: **B.B.**
 - b. Vote was called for all-**Yes, 0-No**. Motion **Carried**
4. NextEra Presentation
 - a. Adam Gracia was present and provided materials with a presentation on his company and the Benton Solar Project.
5. Minden Townships Demo Graphics:
 - a. As of April 1st, 2024, the population estimate is 1,496 and the Household estimate is 574.
6. Mike Laurin: Documents received by Mike were not submitted with the courts, therefore were not official court documentation. A joint planning board meeting was requested and is scheduled for July 15th, 2025 @ the Sauk Rapids Government Center at 6:00 pm.
7. Andy Sanders & Neighbor: Also, to be added to the agenda for joint planning board meeting on July 15th, 2025.
8. Visitors/Audience Input, Questions, Issues
 - a. A landowner wanted to dispute a fire call bill for record # 2025-04, for a Woods Fire at 3540 55th St NE. The landowner was reassured that the bill was not a result of any wrongdoing, but merely a result of proximal responsibility.
9. Entrance Permit: Great River Energy
 - a. Permit Submitted around May 16th. Payment Received in mail separately from Land Services of Wisconsin. Check #'s 33664 for \$500.00 & 33663 for \$250.00.
10. Website Updates:
 - a. The website address is officially mindentownship-mn.gov and has since been updated to the Wix Website interface. MindenTownship.com has been surrendered as it was only a pointer for the Wix Website and was never connected to the Wix interface.

- b. Now that the township owns the domain, and it has since been registered, the Town also has specialized email addresses for the clerk & treasurer. Supervisor email addresses are to be decided at a later date.

11. Verizon Internet-

- a. Century Link was contacted, and they do not service the address for the townhall. Clerk was to receive information for the contact for Ethernet Internet instead of Fiber Optic.
- b. All other area providers have been contacted and no one services the address.
- c. Verizon internet upgrade is no longer an option due to spotty reception/cell service.

12. Policy:

- a. The policy handbook was received from the lawyer and has been updated by the clerk. The board shall be presented with the updated document at the meeting on July 16th.

13. Insurance

- a. A resolution was needed to update the insurance liability valuations.
 - i. Motion by: **S.S.** Approve resolution. Second by: **B.B.**
 - ii. Vote was called for all-**Yes, 0-No.** Motion **Carried**

14. New Fire Calls and Invoices

- a. New Invoices and bills were discussed with the board
- b. New Invoices were mailed after June 21st, 2025
- c. Second Attempt Invoices were mailed on June 21st, 2025

15. MS4 Updates:

- a. S.S. presented MS4 updates to keep the board informed.

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

- Monday, **July, 8th, 2025, @7:00 PM**
 - MINDEN TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING @MINDEN TOWNHALL

Benton County Department of Development:

- *Assessment Search:*
 - **0901050.00-No Assessments to report**
 - **09.01307.00-No Assessments to report, received payment for fee.**
- *Benton County DOD: Permits/Other*
 - **Parcel ID: 09.00322.00**
 - **Estimated Value of Improvements: \$6,763.00**
 - **Description: Furnace Replacement**

 - **Parcel ID: 09.00310.04**
 - **Estimated Value of Improvements: \$565,000.00**
 - **Description: New Home Construction**

 - **Parcel ID: 09.01336.00**
 - **Estimated Value of Improvements: \$6,500.00**
 - **Description: Remove Window, replace with 4'Door in residence**

 - **Parcel ID: 09.00168.00**
 - **Estimated Value of Improvements: \$36,867.65**
 - **Description: Remove Existing shingles & underlayment. Install new shingles.**

Meeting Dismissal:

Motion by: **M.E.** to adjourn @ **8:53 PM**. Second by: **B.B.**
Vote was called for all-**Yes**, **0-No**. Motion **Carried**

Respectfully Submitted by _____, on behalf of,
Vibrin Hess, Clerk

Steve Simones, Chair

On this, Sunday, July 27, 2025.

*Minutes are in "DRAFT" state, until signed by the Clerk, and a Board Supervisor.