

## Hay Creek Township Monthly Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2026 at 6:00 PM

### Zoom Meeting

Meeting Called to Order- 5:59 p.m. by Mary. Larry, Doug, Claudia, Scott, and Brandy were in attendance.

- I. Agreement on Agenda- No changes.
- II. Minutes from December reviewed, Mary noted one change needing to be made; Next meeting should be dated 2026, not 2025 as written. Larry made a motion to approve minutes with date change, seconded by Doug. Unanimous.
- III. Treasurer Reports
  - a. Bills Payable- Report by Brandy
  - b. Account Balance- Report by Brandy -

New Business moved up: Constituent concern: Dave Pearce- spoke regarding bill received in December for chloride laid down on Fernwood Drive for dust control back in August. There is a history of the Pumpkin Patch having precedent for paying the chloride for dust control; however, Dave stated that he did not request the chloride to be laid down and was frustrated with the fact the county graded the road soon after the chloride had been laid down, which made it ineffective in dust control then.

Dave has written the check for \$4952.52 as was billed by the Township and will send the check but noted his displeasure in the way the billing was completed months after the fact the business at the Pumpkin Patch had ended and the Pumpkin Patch proceeds had already been distributed to other entities around the city and the adequacy of the work completed by Burleigh County as the grader should not have graded the road after the chloride laid.

The Township also voiced concern regarding the work that had never been requested by our board. It was an unexpected expense to the Township and to Mr. Pearce, not requested by either entity and the grading that took place soon after the fact that it had made the chloride ineffective in dust control.

Motion by Larry to accept financial statements as reported with the board wanting to revisit the chloride bill with Burleigh County as there is new information to believe our payment of this billing should be reconsidered, seconded by Doug. Unanimous.

- IV. Reports-
    - a. Assessments: Scott reported on one individual in Hawktree that had a question about his tax assessment. It was reviewed and a new statement billed to the homeowner.
- We have had 4 new building permits this past month.
  - We have 52 properties with new or ongoing construction.
  - We have 2670 parcels in Hay Creek.
  - 136 miles driven
  - 81 hours worked

New Business constituent concern resumed- Jim Martel inquired about the ETA plans for the township. Discussion only.

- c. Roads-  
Larry was able to get a road crew out during the holiday for icy roads. A process was completed on the worst areas that essentially brushes or roughs up the ice surface and then a layer of sand is laid on top of it. We will be receiving an additional bill from Burleigh County for this work.
- c. Constituent Calls/Reports- Doug spoke to a constituent concern on neighbor pushing snow onto another neighbor side of the road. No action taken.
- d. Planning and Zoning Committee Report, MPO, Water Board updates. Email sent by Mary from Community Planning for a lot split by Jordan Williams in Prairie Plains subdivision. Update only.
- V. Unfinished Business-
  - a. Franchise Agreement with Capital Electric Cooperative: was sent to CEC, the agreement signed for 10 years on file.
  - b. OHV (off-highway vehicle) Website updated with note on law and Township policy on OHV usage. Brian Fettig and Doug put together the information for the Township website.
- VI. New Business-
  - a. Public Input- None
  - b. March Annual Meeting- preparation is underway for the annual meeting. Discussion for date of March 10, 2026, was discussed and the date is open for board members. This is set as a tentative date.
- VII. For the Good of the Order-
  - Doug spoke with Casey at Burleigh Co.- subdivisions should be kept to about 6 tons, Fernwood area is at 10 tons. Doug spoke to Trans Trash employee who stated the truck alone will be overweight without the garbage collected. Discussion only.
  - Next meeting, Wednesday February 4, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. via Zoom.
- VIII. Adjournment: 7:17 PM meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Kuball

Hay Creek Township Clerk