

Minutes of the regular Board meeting of the Town of North Star, Minnesota, St. Louis County, held in the North Star Town Hall, on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm. Chair Mantay called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**Members Present:** Chair Gary Mantay, Supervisor Bob Anderson, Supervisor Rod Saline, Clerk Ellen Hanson, Treasurer Donna Elsbury and Deputy Treasurer Ray Barnes.

**Others in attendance:** There were four additional attendees.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**Approval of Agenda:** Chair Mantay presented the agenda. Supervisor Saline moved to accept the agenda as presented, and seconded by Supervisor Anderson. This motion was carried unanimously.

**Open Forum:** There were no speakers.

**Approval of Board Minutes:** The Board of Supervisors' meeting minutes for January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026, were presented and reviewed. Supervisor Saline motioned to approve the January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Board minutes as presented, and seconded by Supervisor Anderson. This motion was carried unanimously.

**Financial Reports:**

Treasurer Elsbury reported on the January Cash Control Statement and January Net Pay Account Distribution Report for approval.

Beginning Balance—01/01/2026—\$111,372.23

Total Receipts - \$5,380.04

Total Disbursements - \$11,587.18

Outstanding Checks - \$656.35

Total per Bank Statement—January 31, 2026 - \$105,821.44

February's net pay totaled \$1,486.55

- Treasurer Elsbury reported a necessary transfer of \$4,500 from the money market to the checking account to cover the monthly expenses. Supervisor Saline motioned to approve the transfer of \$4,500 from the money market account to the checking account and seconded by Supervisor Mantay. This motion was carried unanimously.
- Treasurer Elsbury reported that an additional \$2,000 was necessary to transfer on February 1<sup>st</sup> to cover the monthly disbursements. Supervisor Saline motioned to approve the transfer of \$2,000 from the money market account to the checking account and seconded by Supervisor Anderson. This motion was carried unanimously.
- Supervisor Saline motioned to approve the financial reports and seconded by Supervisor Anderson. This motion was carried unanimously.

**Clerk's Report:**

- Clerk Hanson presented the claims list. The February claims totaled \$2,469.05 and were presented for approval. They were checks 9449-9452; and EFTs #020126 PERA \$155.54; 020226 AT&T \$154.92; 020326 Visa \$922.09. Supervisor Saline motioned to approve the claims list and seconded by Supervisor Anderson. This motion was carried unanimously.
- Update on Adopt-a-Highway: The county continues to work on the new website. As of today, new applications are not being accepted.

**Correspondence:**

- MAT: January 2026 newsletter
- St. Louis County Association of Townships: meeting minutes and agenda
- SLC Elections Dept: Monday before the election office opened for accepting absentee ballots, 4-5 pm
- MAT: Notice for Township Day at the Capitol, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026
- MAT: Annual Meeting ("Township Day") Resources
- PERA News: Winter 2026
- MAT Spring short courses list

**Recycling Report:**

- Supervisor Saline had contact with Resource Renew on the grant. The application and annual report are both due on March 6th.

**Webpage/Communications Report:**

- Daisy Wallace attended the meeting to discuss website management with the board. The website serves as a platform for community communication.

**Items for E-News:** Supervisor Saline will send new items to Jan Keough.

**Broadband:** Supervisor Saline indicated that Mediacom is in the process of securing the necessary permits for fiber optic installation.

**North Star Fire Department (NFD) /Fire Liaison:**

- Fire Chief Siers documented four calls in January: two medical calls and two assists.
- The department is pursuing the purchase of four new radios, medical supplies, and batteries for the new radios.
- Consideration is being given to purchasing a large, 85-inch TV, and its accompanying wall-mounting hardware for installation within the town hall. Supervisor Saline motioned to purchase the TV, with the cost covered by General funds, and seconded by Supervisor Anderson. This motion was carried unanimously.

**Maintenance/Buildings Report:**

- Supervisor Anderson reported there was nothing new to report.

**Roads Report:**

- Chair Mantay reported there was nothing new to report.

**Other Meetings:** There were no other meetings in January.

**Unfinished Business:**

- MATIT property appraisal report update: Clerk Hanson presented the board with additional quotes without replacement values from MATIT. The board discussed the reduced valuation amounts and costs. Supervisor Saline requested that Clerk Hanson confirm with MATIT whether the agent would provide coverage up to the reduced valuation amount.
- Clerk Hanson indicated she was not aware of the SAM.gov requirement to submit the entity change approval letter within 30 days and apologized for this oversight. She provided a recently dated letter to allow us sufficient time for notarization and submission.

**New Business:**

- Resolution 2026-01: Adopting an Absentee Ballot Board: Clerk Hanson explained this resolution is required by the state when the town is administering absentee ballots for the town election. Supervisor Saline motioned to adopt Resolution 2026-01, and Supervisor Anderson seconded it. This motion was carried unanimously.
- The Local Board of Appeal and Equalization (LBAE) meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 6 pm.
- Annual Township meeting: Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 pm. Clerk Hanson invited a representative from the Sheriff's department to attend and give a crime report for the township.

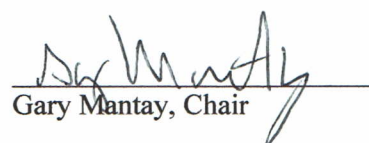
**Adjourn:**

- Supervisor Anderson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 pm and seconded by Supervisor Saline. This motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Ellen Hanson, Clerk



Gary Mantay, Chair

For the Period : 2/1/2026 To 2/28/2026

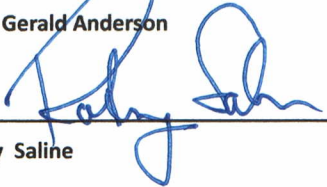
<u>Name of Fund</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Total Disbursed</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Less Deposits In Transit</u>	<u>Plus Outstanding Checks</u>	<u>Total Per Bank Statement</u>
General Fund	\$28,187.31	\$37.30	\$1,517.11	\$26,707.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$26,707.50
Road and Bridge	\$17,910.18	\$2,215.34	\$750.00	\$19,375.52	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$20,125.52
Fire EMS	\$44,004.83	\$0.00	\$385.04	\$43,619.79	\$0.00	\$314.00	\$43,933.79
Fire Donations	\$10,432.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,432.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,432.48
Building	\$1,680.88	\$0.00	\$1,049.10	\$631.78	\$0.00	\$160.00	\$791.78
Recycling	\$3,520.45	\$0.00	\$254.35	\$3,266.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,266.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$105,736.13</b>	<b>\$2,252.64</b>	<b>\$3,955.60</b>	<b>\$104,033.17</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,224.00</b>	<b>\$105,257.17</b>

  
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 Gary A Mantay Chair, Town Supervisor

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 Robert Gerald Anderson Town Supervisor

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 Rodney Saline Town Supervisor

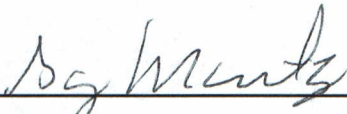

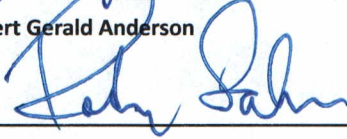
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Date Range : 2/18/2026 To 3/17/2026

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Claim #</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Detail</u>
03/17/2026	PERA	DCP & retirement disbursements	030126	\$350.79			
					100-41110-121-	Council/Town Board	\$28.35
					100-41110-126-	Council/Town Board	\$28.35
					100-41401-121-	Clerk	\$97.26
					100-41401-126-	Clerk	\$84.29
					100-41510-121-	Treasurer	\$60.29
					100-41510-126-	Treasurer	\$52.25
03/17/2026	AT&T Mobility	Account:287308565673: WIFI service for town hall	030226	\$154.92			
					100-41901-322-	Other General Government	\$154.92
03/17/2026	VISA Business	February 2026 Charges	030326	\$860.38			
					205-42205-381-	Recycling	\$10.00
					204-41940-381-	General Government Buildings and Plant	\$139.75
					100-41901-206-	Other General Government	\$21.76
					202-42202-266-	Fire	\$167.40
					202-42202-265-	Fire	\$290.98
					202-42202-205-	Fire	\$188.65
					202-42202-205-	Fire	\$41.84
03/17/2026	VISA Business	February 2026 Charges (Blazevic acct)	030426	\$1,477.41			
					202-42202-240-	Fire	\$99.58
					202-42202-240-	Fire	\$1,377.83
03/17/2026	Daisy Wallace	Inv.1260204191: Website administration for Feb. 2026	9463	\$25.00			
					100-41901-303-	Other General Government	\$25.00
03/17/2026	Gray's Home and Yard Services, LLC	Inv.1967:February snow removal (3 Briar Lake Rd, 5 town hall)	9464	\$775.00			
					204-41901-390-	Other General Government	\$280.00
					201-41901-390-	Other General Government	\$375.00
					205-41901-390-	Other General Government	\$120.00

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Total For Selected Claims				\$3,643.50			\$3,643.50

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Gary A Mantay		Chair, Town Supervisor				3-17-26	Date
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Robert Gerald Anderson		Town Supervisor				3-17-26	Date
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Rodney Saline		Town Supervisor				3/17/26	Date

## FEBRUARY 2026

### RECEIPTS PLUS INTEREST

100 GENERAL	\$37.30	\$37.30
201 ROAD	\$2,215.34	\$0.00
202 FIRE	\$0.00	\$0.00
203 FIRE DONATIONS	\$0.00	\$0.00
204 BUILDING	\$0.00	\$0.00
205 RECYCLING	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,252.64</b>	<b>\$37.30</b>

### INTEREST

### DISBURSEMENTS

100 GENERAL	\$1,517.11	\$35,727.44	\$40,824.34
201 ROAD	\$750.00	\$7,125.00	\$8,500.00
202 FIRE	\$385.04	\$24,149.92	\$25,265.00
203 FIRE DONATIONS	\$0.00	\$10,432.48	
204 BUILDING	\$1,049.10	\$7,903.13	\$10,150.00
205 RECYCLING	\$254.35	\$3,266.10	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,955.60</b>		

### BUDGET BALANCES

### ANNUAL BUDGET

### FUND BALANCES (NOT INCLUDING INVESTMENT FUNDS)

100 GENERAL	\$26,707.50	\$2,504.60
201 ROAD	\$19,375.52	
202 FIRE	\$43,619.79	
203 FIRE DONATIONS	\$10,432.48	
204 BUILDING	\$631.78	
205 RECYCLING	\$3,266.10	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$104,033.17</b>	

### CHECKING ACCOUNT