

Hollywood Township Annual Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 11, 2025 – 7 PM

Hollywood Township Shed

- 1) Clerk Henry-Neaton called Annual Meeting to order at 7 PM and read Notice of Annual Meeting.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance was recited
- 3) Clerk Henry-Neaton called for nominations from the floor for a moderator. Mark Sundblad made motion to appoint Mark Meuffels as moderator, seconded by Mike Sundblad. MSC Opposed - none
- 4) Clerk Henry-Neaton read minutes from the 2024 Annual Meeting. Motion by Steve Burns to approve, seconded by Ivy Hickey, MSC Opposed – none.
- 5) Clerk Henry-Neaton read the 2024 Audit report.
- 6) Moderator reads prepared agenda; Mark asked if anyone needed it to be read. No one said they did. Mark asked for approval of agenda, Steve Burns made motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Dean Bruggemeier, MSC. Opposed – none
- 7) New Business:
 - a. Fire Department reports:
 - i. Mayer – no report
 - ii. New Germany – Chief Ryan Goede thanked the Board and Township residents for their support over the year. The need for Fire departments are critical to small towns. He reported 90% of their calls for the year were medical. 2024 saw no major incidents. Hollywood had 26 calls, Camden 23 and New Germany 25. The new tanker was delivered in April. The building was given a new roof, siding soffits and exterior lighting was done. They worked to get everything up to OSHA standards. The purchase of a generator was not done in 2024, that will be done in 2025. There were no questions.
 - iii. Watertown – informational handouts were available for residents .
 - iv. Winsted – informational handouts were available for residents.
 - b. Dust Control – no discussion – dust control at the 2023 Annual Meeting was approved for all gravel roads in Hollywood that has residents on it. This will continue.
 - c. Recycling information was shared with the residents.
 - d. Special Waste Collection events – information was given to the residents and a flyer was available for residents regarding the upcoming Special Collection events in the spring and fall.

- e. 2024 Road Committee report : Mark Meuffels spoke on behalf of the committee and said that they had looked at all the gravel roads and 2 culverts will need to be replaced, Cty. Rd 20 and 22nd St. and 30th St and Yancy. Wagon Ave. blacktop was picked up, ground up and put back down. Dust control will be put down. One of the reasons for doing this road was that the township does not have equipment for asphalt roads and repair.
- f. Gravel report – Bruce O gave his report for the graveling that was done in 2024. 800 tons of Granite was put on Sally Ave. for 5 tenths of a mile at \$27.90 a ton. Approximately 1300 yards of Class 5 at \$23.27 a yard was put down on Vernon Ave (1.25 miles), Yale north of Hwy 7 (.25 miles) and 2 spots on 42nd St. Total cost for above mentioned \$50,318.44
Approximately 4000 yards of Class 5 @\$23.45/yard. This was on Yale Ave. south of Cty Rd 20 and 24th St. (1.25 miles), 18th St and Tower (1.5 miles), Stone Ave (.6 miles), spot on 58th St., 2 spots on 42nd St. east of Tacoma. Stockpile 200 yards for cartways, Total miles 7.6 miles. Cost \$93,394.66. Total spent on gravel/granite 2024 - \$144,262.10. This was available in handouts also.
- g. Tower – the tower receipts for 2024 was \$23,273.76. These monies include the tower rent from Carver County and Broadband. This money goes into the Capital Equipment fund. There was a question of the difference (it was higher in 2023) in receipts. Clerk Henry-Neaton explained that at the Board of Audit meeting for 2024, it was voted by the board to start in March 2024 to put dollars from the interest in the Money Market and Checking accounts, along with the Carver County Fines to be put into the Road and Bridge fund to help that fund with expenses.
- h. Ditch cleaning – non – profits are offered the opportunity for ditch cleaning. There are currently 4 groups who do the ditch cleaning at \$500 for 11 miles. Any group interested, let the clerk know and she can add you to the list in case there are any groups who decide not to who have already committed.
- i. Hay Ground rental is for 3 years. Hay ground in in the second of a 3 year rental agreement.
- j. Lawn mowing – Lawn mowing quotes will be due on Monday, April 14, 2025 by 6:30 PM. Forms for this can be found on the township website.
- k. Website – residents can go to the website Hollywoodtownship.com to see info about the township.

- l. Board of Equalization – information was shared about the Board of Equalization dates and times.
- m. Township Maintenance Bruce Osborn report - Bruce talked about dust coating that was applied to approximately 36 miles, Street signs for the township that were updated and ARP monies was used for that. And the meeting room’s lighting was updated with LED lighting.
He also spoke about the Annual Equipment report. (This was available in a handout also) He said the hours on the grader were a little less in 2024 due to lack of snow and also dust control. He is using the room groomer until the frost is out of the ground. Ron Kassulker asked if there was any plans to replace the grader as it was talked about at past meetings. Mark Meuffels said he felt they should keep it as long as possible, especially with the low amount of hours on it and the problems with new machinery and it’s electrical equipment. Steve Burns said it is going to be 10 more years before it reaches 10,000 hours. Bruce O was asked if there are any problems with it, he said there is a leak but it’s not been found. Otherwise no problems. Jeff Neaton said there is a chance that the Ford Tandem may be replaced, it is in the roughest shape of the equipment. It has been discussed at meetings. Capital Equipment funds would be used to purchase anything. A comment was made to not purchase anything that has been used to put down sand and salt.
- n. Commissioner Lynch arrived and gave his report that included:
Highway 212 expansion (construction through fall of 2026), Hwy 5 expansion (starting in 2025), Highway 41 and 10 project (starting spring 2025), Carver County Road 127, Carverlink, Carver County Cannabis update, Carver County Libraries go fine free, Mosquito Control update and Chloride Awareness and Best Practices. Dean Schermann asked about a roundabout at Hwy 7 and Cty Rd 33, as of now there are no plans. Also discussed was the intersection of Cty RD 20 and 21. Commissioner Lynch has been asking and pursuing about putting in some type of light that would draw attention when you are coming or at that intersection.

o. Discussion of levy for 2026:

<u>Current Levy</u>	Levy 2025	Proposed LEVY 2026	
General	\$ 69,000	General	\$69,000
Road and B	\$ 450,000	Road and Bridge	\$495,000
Capital Equipment	\$ 30,000	Capital Equipment	\$30,000
Fire Protection	<u>\$ 155,000</u>	Fire Protection	<u>\$185,000</u>
Total Levy	\$ 704,000	Total Levy	\$779,000

Mark reviewed the Levy numbers. There was some discussion about it. Larry Kassulker made motion to approve the levy in the amount listed under 2026 with the total levy being \$779,000, seconded by Dean Bruggemeier. MSC Opposed – none

p. Additions – none

q. Set time for next year . Jeff made motion to set the 2026 Annual Meeting for Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at 7 PM, seconded by Mark Sundblad, MSC
Opposed – none

r. Mark Sundblad made motion to adjourn, seconded by Ivy Hickey , MSC
Opposed – none . Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM

Moderator Mark Meuffels

Clerk – Hollywood Township