

Approved Minutes

CROOKED LAKE TOWN BOARD MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES –February 11, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6PM and The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Members present: David Thompson, Jim Thielen, Brian Palkovich, Jerry Shields, LeAnn Werner, and Terri Julkowski, and Tim Donnay distant by Teams.

Citizens present: Nick Usherwood, Glen Goodwin, Vicki Lipstreuer, Krista Kommer, Cindy Thompson, Shirley Scheuble, Angela Evenson, Erik Evenson, Richard Scheuble, Kristi Keeler.

Note: Meeting is being recorded and retained by the Clerk for preparation of minutes and will be deleted. Note: The Treasurer, CLVFD, OQR, OVL, Lakes N Shores and Road Reports are on the agenda and are reviewed during meeting.

MOTION PALKOVICH, 2ND SHIELDS TO ACCEPT 01/09/26 BOARD MINUTES. BY ROLL CALL, ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer Report: January 2026 - beginning balance \$919,917.73 + receipts \$163,944.18 - disbursements \$225,764.39 (outstanding checks \$767.4) =ending balance \$858,864.93 (balances to bank). All year end reporting has been completed except for sending year-end financials to the state auditor's office. They will send an email notification when they are ready to receive it.

CLVFD Report: Incidents: medical 3. Equipment: 636 foam line and filter need to be replaced due to being broken, 635 side door alarm going off, needs to be fixed, 631 tablet mount has broken and needs to be repaired. Training: Small Engine Circuit Training. Misc.: Fire Department Awards Ceremony and Dinner at the Village Inn.

OQR Report: 4 medical calls. We had a unanimous vote of yes to change the name from Outing Quick Response to Crooked Lake Rescue.

Road and Equipment Report: checked the roads for downed trees and branches. Sanded roads as needed. Control wiring for pickup snowplow was replaced. Pickup plow mount was also repaired. Pushed back the snow piles on our roads in town. One employee was selected for random drug testing. Strong winds had the workers out checking the roads for down trees and branches. Drifts were plowed off several times on Longwood Point Rd. and S. Lake Lawrence roads. During the really cold weather the employees repaired all of our Christmas Lights and miscellaneous shop work. All roads were plowed to widen them as much as we could. Scraped county road 58 for Cass County. Plowed and sanded townhall and fire department as needed.

MOTION THOMPSON, 2ND DONNAY TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2026-8 TO ACCEPT DONATION FROM STEVE AND DENISE GORSETH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$303.00 TO OQR AND FROM OUTING CHAMBER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,700.00 TO REIMBURSE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY AND FROM OUTING CHAMBER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00 TO OQR. BY ROLL CALL, ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION DONNAY, 2ND SHIELDS TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2026-9 FOR PAID LEAVE PREMIUM SHARING. BY ROLL CALL, ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION PALKOVICH, 2ND SHIELDS TO CONTRIBUTE \$250.00EACH TO: THE CASS COUNTY MUSEUM AND THE EMILY FOOD SHELF. BY ROLL CALL, ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion as to levy recommendation to be brought to 2026 annual meeting for 2027 levy. Discussed need to have fire and road equipment updated by building reserves yearly instead of large increases, followed by small or no increases. Discussed raising Fire Dept. levy by 10% and Road and Bridge by \$150,000 to gravel roads on a 5 yr. cycle. MOTION PALKOVICH, 2ND THOMPSON TO RECOMMEND AT THE MARCH 10, 2026 ANNUAL MEETING TO LEVY GENERAL REVENUE FUND \$303,537.00, FIRE FUND \$150,219.00 AND ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND \$411,250.00 FOR A TOTAL OF \$865,006.00. BY ROLL CALL, PALKOVICH YES, SHIELDS YES, DONNAY NO, THIELEN NO, THOMPSON YES. MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisor Reports: **THOMPSON**-discussed letter received by resident wanting to be sure he had access to his property from W. Levitt Rd. Thompson to reply with recent Board action regarding Thompson Rd. remaining a low maintenance township road. Paid Time Leave needs an administrator, Thompson will fill that roll. **PALKOVICH**- passed out 2026 budget from January meeting.

Citizen Report: Usherwood stated that Fire Dept. needs secure room to store pull tabs, the storage at firehall is full and they must store for 3 years. Board to discuss a space in the basement at March meeting.

The Board reviewed a sampling of 2025 receipts and disbursements and matched them to records of the Clerk and Treasurer. Donnay was timed out of the remainder of the meeting. MOTION SHIELDS, 2ND PALKOVICH TO ACCEPT THAT THE TOWN BOARD SUPERVISORS REVIEWED DISBURSEMENTS AND RECEIPTS, AND TREASURER REGISTER MATCHED CLERK REGISTER. NO DISCREPANCIES WERE NOTED. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION THOMPSON, 2ND PALKOVICH TO AUTHORIZE FEBRUARY 2026 - PAYROLL CHECKS #22036-22042 AND 22047-22050 TOTAL \$9,218.08 (CHECK #22032-22035 AND 22043-22046 VOIDED DUE TO PRINTER MALFUNCTION), CLAIMS 20165-20189 CHECK #22051-22075 TOTAL \$44,233.49, ACH 551 MONTHLY IRS FEDERAL TAX DEPOSIT \$2,530.70, ACH552 MONTHLY PERA DEPOSIT \$1,494.36, ACH553 MONTHLY MN DEPT OF REVENUE TAX DEPOSIT \$458.97, ACH554 MONTHLY VISA PAYMENT \$3,246.73. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

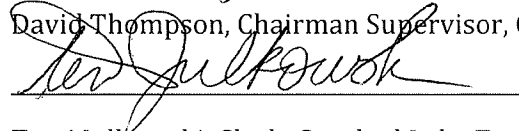
MOTION THOMPSON, 2ND PALKOVICH TO ADJOURN AT 8:00PM. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.



3-12-2026

David Thompson, Chairman Supervisor, Crooked Lake Township

Date



3-12-26

Terri Julkowski, Clerk, Crooked Lake Township

Date