

CORINNA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

Minutes Unapproved

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

7:00 p.m.

Corinna Township Hall

9801 Ireland Avenue NW, Annandale, MN

Chairman: John Dearing

Vice Chair: Larry Smith

Supervisor: Bob Donnett

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: John Dearing called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Chair John Dearing; Vice Chair Larry Smith; Supervisor Bob Donnett; Clerk/Treasurer Mary Barkley Brown; Township Attorney Mike Couri, Township Engineer Kevin Kruger.

Absent: None.

Others in Attendance: Jeff Weis, 7212 107th ST NW; Brian Dahlke, 10647 Hollister AVE NW; Paul Pardus, 10611 Hollister AVE NW; Randy Nelson, 10465 Hollister AVE NW; Tom Hall, 10597 Hollister AVE NW.

Approve or Amend Agenda, Town Board Meeting, March 17, 2026: A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Donnett, to approve the Agenda with the following addition: Jeff Weis, 7212 107th ST NW. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve or Amend Minutes, Town Board Meeting, March 3, 2026: A motion was made by Donnett, seconded by Dearing, to approve March 3, 2026 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Oath of Office – Robert Donnett: Clerk Brown swore in Bob Donnett for a 3 year term as Township Supervisor.

Maintenance Outlook Report and Calendar: Reviewed.

Revised Hollister Schedule: Reviewed.

Gravel Quote: No quote available at this time.

Truck: Reviewed Towmaster quote. A motion was made by Dearing, seconded by Smith, to have a special meeting on Friday, March 20, starting at 10:00 AM, at the Corinna Township Hall, to study the truck and truck body quotes with Steve Jost. Motion carried unanimously.

Spring Weight Restrictions: Reviewed.

Road Salt for 2026-27: The Town Board said that Head Maintenance Man, Steve Jost should decide on the salt quantity needed for the 2026-2027 season and have Clerk Brown place an order for the salt.

Requests to be on the Agenda:

1. 89th Street NW Road Petition: No one was in attendance.
2. Jeff Weis, 7212 107th ST NW: Mr. Weis addressed the Town Board. He stated that he is opposed to the Hollister AVE NW road paving project, based on the estimated cost. A discussion was held among the property owners in attendance. Some were for the project and some were against. This meeting was NOT a public hearing. The project was started by a petition of the property owners on Hollister AVE NW and 107th ST NW. The Township Attorney and the Township Engineer were able to answer questions.

Attorney Mike Couri also explained that at this stage in the process, the decision to go ahead with the project, or not, is based on the Town Board's decision. The bids will be opened on April 14, 2026 – online – and the decision on awarding the bid will be held on April 21, 2026.

Other Business:

1. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report:

Application:	Corinna Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment relating to modifying references in Section 611.2 of the Corinna Township Land Use Ordinance to FEMA flood map panels 27171C0085D and 27171C0095D, which are being modified by a Letter of Map Revision to be effective April 20, 2026.
Agenda Item:	4(b)

Background Information:

- The Minnesota DNR and FEMA have updated a flood panel map in the area of Bungalow Island on Clearwater Lake. When flood maps are updated, the local floodplain ordinances need to be updated to reference the most current list of maps that are applicable within the jurisdiction.
The public hearing is for the purpose of taking comments on the proposed amendment, although the Township doesn't really have much choice in adopting the revised language.

Town Board Direction: Town Board action is required as the Planning Commission action is only considered a recommendation by Ordinance with the Town Board needing to make a final decision.

Planning Commission/Board of Adjustment Action: The Planning Commission recommends approval of the proposed ordinance amendment. A resolution adopting the ordinance amendment is included in this report.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Donnett, to approve Resolution 2026-04 – RESOLUTION ORDERING ADOPTION OF SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE 2025-01, AN ORDINANCE REGULATING LAND USE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF CORINNA TOWNSHIP IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR ORDERLY DEVELOPMENT AND PROTECT THE GENERAL HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE. Motion carried unanimously.

2. MN Association of Townships 2026 Spring Short Courses: Reviewed.
3. Township Legal Seminar: Reviewed.
4. RSVP - Camp Courage Ribbon Cutting Invitation Monday, May 4 at 10 AM: Reviewed.

Any Other Business That May Come Before the Board: None.

Information on File:

Office of the State Auditor: E-Updates of 2/27/2026 and 3/6/2026 were reviewed.

Payment of Claims:

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Dearing, to approve checks #25486 through 25508; ACH payment to MWH Services; Direct Deposit Payroll JE 2026-07 (Miller Welle Heiser Payroll Service); Payroll Checks 221 to 227 and 2100, 2101 (Miller Welle Heiser Payroll Service); in the amount of \$86,617.55.

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Donnett, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

April 7, 2026


Mary Barkley Brown, Clerk/Treasurer


John Dearing, Chairman