

TOWN OF TRENTON  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 19, 2026

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Russell Kottke.

**Attendance:** Karla Zimmerman, Melissa Pausma, Russell Kottke, Kristie Buwalda, Jeff Wilson, Kelly & Earl Braker and Mike Kartechner.

**Minutes** were read by Karla. Motion by Kristie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff, to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

**Treasurers Report** was read by Melissa. Balance on hand \$55,433.06 in the checking account. Motion made by Kristie, supported by Jeff to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

**Citizen Comments:** Kelly Braker wanted to remind the board that a notice of Noxious weed was required to post by May 15 of each year. She also asked that the Town of Trenton appoint a weed commissioner to help investigate the existence of noxious weeds in the town. Russell will reach out to area towns for recommendations.

Mike Kartechner shared that Dodge County approved his Conditional Use permit for a new non-metallic mine on the John Ganske farm with the stipulation that a road agreement is reached between them and the Town of Trenton. Karla will draft an agreement for review at the February board meeting.

**Road Report:** Plowing is being done as needed.

Russell shared a copy of an invoice from the BD Fire Department for the excavator they called in for a fire in the township. It is now our responsibility to collect. Karla will issue an invoice to the resident with a stipulation that any unpaid balance on October 15, 2026, will be added to the tax bill.

Melissa shared a quote from a pest control company to help us keep pests under control as we had noticed some droppings in the office area. Kristie proposed we start by purchasing and setting multiple traps around the hall.

**Meeting Notices:** Dodge County Unit Meeting Wednesday, January 21 at 7:00pm

**Pay Bills:** Motion to pay bills made by Kristie, supported by Jeff. Motion carried.

**Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned by order of Chairman Russell Kottke at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Zimmerman, Clerk