



Eureka Township News

2nd Quarter 2020 25043 Cedar Avenue • Farmington, Minnesota • (952) 469-3736

Town Hall Contacts

Clerk: Ranee Solis

clerk@eurekatownship-mn.us

Treasurer:

treasurer@eurekatownship-mn.us

Town Hall Hours

10 am – 2 pm Tuesday & Thursday

Website

<http://eurekatownship-mn.us>

Eureka Township Supervisors

Meet semi-monthly, 2nd & 4th Monday, 7:00 pm

Seat 1 Donovan Palmquist, Chair (2023)
(612) 250-6208

Seat 2 Ralph Fredlund (2023)
(952) 469-1335

Seat 3 Tim Murphy, Vice Chair (2021)
(612) 719-9745

Seat 4 Mark Ceminsky (2021)
(612) 819-1334

Seat 5 Lu Barfknecht (2022)
(952) 469-3513

Planning Commission

Meet monthly, 1st Tuesday, 7:00 pm

Nancy Sauber (2023)
(952) 469-5146

Julie Larson (2023)
(952) 469-3512

Bill Clancy (2022)
(612) 889-1732

Randy Wood (2021)
(651) 460-2347

Al Novacek (2021)
(952) 693-5940

Township Roads

Donovan Palmquist (612) 250-6208

Ralph Fredlund (952) 469-1335

Building Inspector

Inspectron, Inc. (651) 322-6626

Official Notices

Posted on the bulletin board on the south exterior wall of the Town Hall and published in Sun This Week and Dakota County Tribune newspapers.

2020 Township Election and Annual Meeting

ELECTION BOARD SUMMARY STATEMENT

Candidate Name	Office	Votes Cast
Donovan Palmquist	Seat #1	193
Allen Novacek	Seat #1	73
Write-In	Seat #1	2
Ralph Fredlund	Seat #2	206
Write-In	Seat #2	49

TOTAL VOTES CAST FOR CANDIDATES: 523

Our Thanks to Butch Hansen: Many thanks to Butch Hansen for serving the Township and best wishes in all future endeavors!

Our Welcome to Ralph Fredlund: Ralph Fredlund has served on the Planning Commission for 4 years and was Chair the last 2 years. His training and career in state government accounting will greatly benefit the township in planning and expense management. Welcome aboard!

2021 Budget and Levy

Budget	2020	2021	Difference
Road & Bridge	\$422,000	\$455,662	↑\$33,662
General Fund	\$361,100	\$343,100	↓\$18,000

Levy	2020	2021	Difference
	\$679,584	\$707,712	↑\$28,128

Planning Commission Appointments

At their April meeting, the Town Board received 3 letters of interest for the 3 open commission positions and made the following appointments to the Planning Commission:

- Julie Larson was re-appointed for a 3-year term.
- Nancy Sauber was appointed for a 3-year term.
- Bill Clancy was appointed for a 2-year term.

Welcome aboard, and thank you for your willingness to serve the Township!

Many thanks to Bill Funk for his service and best wishes!



COVID-19

Governor Tim Walz declared a Peacetime Emergency in response to the Coronavirus epidemic, and subsequently issued a Stay at Home order for the state of Minnesota. In order to comply with the local state of emergency and social distancing guidelines, the Eureka Town Board adopted a Resolution to allow for teleconferencing of Town Board and Planning Commission meetings. During the Stay at Home Order, Eureka Town Hall is closed to the public. Township officers, commissioners and staff are working remotely and Township business is being conducted by appointment only.

Township News and Notices. Township notices are posted on the south exterior wall of the Town Hall and on the Township website. If you would like to receive notices of Township meetings, newsletters and other news, please contact the Clerk at clerk@eurekatownship-mn.us and request to be added to the email contact list.

COVID-19 links and information:

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov>

Minnesota Department of Health CO: <https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/index.html>

Dakota County:

<https://www.co.dakota.mn.us/HealthFamily/HandlingEmergencies/Disasters/Pages/emerging-diseases.aspx>

Reorganization Meeting

Town Board meetings. In an effort to reduce meeting costs, the Town Board adopted a semi-monthly meeting schedule at the April Reorganization meeting. The primary regular meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday each month and will be limited to 3 hours. The secondary regular meetings will be held on the 4th Monday each month for critical issues that cannot wait until the next regular meeting.

Board Supervisor Assignments

Supervisor Assignment	Primary contact	Secondary contact
Ambulance	Lu Barfknecht	Ralph Fredlund
Attorney Contacts	Donovan Palmquist	Tim Murphy
Building Inspector	Ralph Fredlund	Tim Murphy
Compliance Official	Donovan Palmquist	Lu Barfknecht
Dakota County	Tim Murphy	Lu Barfknecht
Dakota County Sheriff	Tim Murphy	Lu Barfknecht
Data Practices	Donovan Palmquist	Clerk
Fire – Farmington/Lakeville	Lu Barfknecht	Ralph Fredlund
IT Consultant	Clerk	Lu Barfknecht
Professional Services	Clerk	Lu Barfknecht
Roads	Donovan Palmquist	Ralph Fredlund
Town Hall	Ralph Fredlund	Lu Barfknecht
Treasurer/Finances	Ralph Fredlund	Lu Barfknecht
Watersheds	Tim Murphy	Donovan Palmquist
Weed Inspector	Donovan Palmquist	Tim Murphy
Wetlands / DNR	Donovan Palmquist	Lu Barfknecht

2020 Eureka Township Calendar

* Special events/Holidays impacting meetings

*Changes to regular schedules

* Events are held at Eureka Town Hall: 25043 Cedar Ave., unless otherwise indicated.

** During the Stay at Home Order, all events are held via Zoom meetings. Information on how to join the teleconferencing meetings are listed at the bottom of each agenda. To receive direct invitation information, simply contact the Clerk to be added to the email distribution list.

May 21	Thu	Noon	Applications due for June Planning Commission meeting
May 25	Mon	All day	Holiday (Memorial Day) – no public meetings
May 26	Tue	7:00 pm	Town Board Meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Jun 2	Tue	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Jun 8	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Jun 22	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Jun 25	Thu	Noon	Applications due for July Planning Commission meeting
Jul 7	Tue	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Jul 13	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Jul 23	Thu	Noon	Applications due for August Planning Commission meeting
Jul 27	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Aug 4	Tue	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Aug 10	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Aug 20	Thu	Noon	Applications due for September Planning Commission meeting
Aug 24	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Sep 1	Tue	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Sep 14	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Sep 24	Thu	Noon	Applications due for October Planning Commission meeting
Sep 28	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Oct 6	Tue	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Oct 12	Mon	All day	Holiday (Columbus Day) – no public meetings
Oct 13	Tue	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Oct 22	Thu	Noon	Applications due for November Planning Commission meeting
Oct 26	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Nov 3	Tue	7:00 am	General Election 7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Nov 4	Wed	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Nov 9	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Nov 19	Thu	Noon	Applications due for December Planning Commission meeting
Nov 23	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Dec 1	Tue	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Dec 14	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Dec 22	Tue	Noon	Applications due for January Planning Commission meeting
Dec 24	Thu	All day	Holiday (Christmas Eve) – Town Hall closed
Dec 28	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Dec 29	Tue	10:00 am	First day to file affidavits of candidacy with town clerk

2021 Eureka Township Calendar

Jan 5	Tue	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Jan 11	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Jan 12	Tue	5:00 pm	Last day to file affidavits of candidacy with town clerk
Jan 21	Thu	Noon	Applications due for February Planning Commission meeting
Jan 25	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Feb 2	Tue	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Feb 8	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Feb 18	Thu	Noon	Applications due for March Planning Commission meeting
Feb 22	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Mar 2	Tue	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Mar 8	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Mar 9	Tue	7:00 am	Township Election 7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Mar 9	Tue	8:15 pm	Annual Town Meeting
Mar 22	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Mar 25	Thu	Noon	Applications due for April Planning Commission meeting
Apr 6	Tue	7:00 pm	Planning Commission meeting, Special Town Board meeting
Apr 12	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting
Apr 22	Thu	Noon	Applications due for May Planning Commission meeting
Apr 26	Mon	7:00 pm	Town Board meeting, Special Planning Commission meeting

Plan Ahead for Building Permits

- Permits are reviewed at the monthly Planning Commission meetings and must be completed in full.
- Properties located in the Vermillion River Watershed must receive approval from the VRWJPO before submitting applications to the Township. Mark.Ryan@co.dakota.mn.us or (952) 891-7596.

Department of Natural Resources: Burning Restrictions and COVID-19

Burning restrictions. Consistent with Governor Tim Walz’s executive orders to help ensure the health and safety of all Minnesotans, the Department of Natural Resources is proactively moving to burning restrictions immediately after snowmelt to reduce potential for wildfire and emergency response. For more information: <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/MNDNR/bulletins/284b797>

If you wish to receive a copy of the quarterly newsletter please contact the Clerk. The newsletter is also available for viewing on the website: <http://eurkatownship-mn.us>.
