Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday, July 16, 2026
Sunrise Town Hall, 12080 Sunrise Road, Harris, MN 55032

Chair Greg Strom called the Regular Sunrise Township Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present:

Greg Strom, Chair
Phillip Meers, Vice Chair
Mark Osland
Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson (absent)
Adam Grobove III

Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke
Treasurer: Karen Anderson
Engineer: Cristina Mlejnek, P.E.
Maintenance: Troy Montague
Maintenance: Dave Kadlec

Others Present:

Bill Campbell
Carol Chandler
Dave Kadlec

Adopt Agenda: Motion by Mark Osland, second by Phillip Meers to adopt the July, 2026 agenda adding new business – ballfield update from Adam Grobove III. Motion Carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Phillip Meers, second by Mark Osland to approve the June 2026 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Clerk Update: Clerk Kowalke informed the Town Board that the website has been updated, notice for Planning Commission meeting to be held on Monday, August 10, 2026 is already on the website and on Facebook and posted at the Town Hall. Election judge training is underway for the August 11 Primary Elections and November General Elections. Post Cards have been sent out for National Night Out and is posted on Sunrise Township's Facebook page.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Phillip Meers, second by Adam Grobove III to approve Treasurer Karen Anderson's with claims list 8149 through 8186 and additional claim as follows:

James Juelich (233 pair of gopher feet at $4.00 per pair).....$932.00
Mark Osland (beverages for National Night Out).....$124.61

Motion carried.

Supervisor Meeting and Approvals (NOTE: Not all meetings are paid):

Adam: CCATO, Regular mtg
Greg: Regular Meeting
Phillip: Regular Meeting,
Pete: (absent)
Mark Regular Meeting
Motion by Mark Osland, second by Phillip Meers to approve meetings. Motion carried.

William Campbell – Sunrise Township requested removal of fence on Township Property: Greg Strom stated Sunrise has a full 10 acre parcel and if we would ever want to split we need to have a full five acres to split. Boundary Monument has been in place since they split that parcel. The Boundary Monument includes the dog leg. Bill Campbell said it will be moved before the end of 2026.

National Night Out: Clerk Kowalke informed the Sunrise Town Board that kids bikes and helmets are purchased and ready to go. Sunrise Bible Church will be participating again this year. Stepp Manufacturing will be providing a fire ring for a give-away item. North Branch Fire and Almelund Fire will be participating. Dan Kaiser will be picking up hot dogs and additional supplies for National Night. Food prep gloves will be provided by Mark Osland. Troy will contact a business for a hand washing station. There is a donation of a tractor and trailer to be driven by Troy Montague.

Olson Ballfield: Adam Grobove III complemented Troy Montague and Dave Kadlec. If games are planning and being held at the field, Sunrise will need to make a few upgrades. There is power in the concession stand and in the west dugout.

Citizens Forum: Carol Chandler asked if Sunrise has been spraying for Wild Parsnip.

Old Business:

Sno-Barons: Greg Strom went to Chisago County Planning Commission. Sno-Barons changed their application than what the Sno-Barons brought to Sunrise Township. Mark Osland said that on their busiest day they have approximately 17,000 people. Sno-Barons is not upfront on how many days each event is.

Maintenance Update: Troy Montague informed the Township that he has been spraying. Helped Harris spray yesterday. Harris is sharing their power rake with Sunrise. Got tractor back this week. Maintaining the Township property. Wild Parsnip is still mapped on the U of M site. Wild Parsnip is still on Nelson, but was removed on the U of M map. It is on CR 11, 260th on the east side. Windstream bored and trenched along oriole this week for fiber optic. They have been doing drops without ROW permits from Sunrise. Windstream left a big hump on Poor Farm Road by James and Jeske Noordergraaf's property. They are not marking their pillars. Continuing to water the trees and the new town hall.

Concerned Citizens on Cannibis on CR 9 and CR 57: There is a lot of calls to the Sunrise Town Board regarding the Cannibis farm. They bought additional acreage that can only be assuming more of the same.

Motion by Mark Osland and Adam Grobove III to adjourn at 7:48 p.m. Motion carried.

Wendy S Kowalke
Signed: Wendy S. Kowalke, Clerk

Greg Strom, Chair