

The regular scheduled meeting for February 9th, 2026 of Candor Township was called to order at 5:50 pm by Vice Chairman Lowell Bradbury in Candor Town hall.

Present were Lowell Bradbury, Bruce Moe, Ryan Hansen, and Sharon Sauer. Visitors were Duane Fillipi, Carson Rickbeil, and Kelly Shannon.

The January minutes were approved by Bruce and seconded by Lowell. The treasurers report was approved by Lowell and seconded by Bruce. Unanimous decision.

Duane Fillipi and Kelly Shannon are at the meeting to observe only. Carson Rickbeil said he has a few items to present.

Carson asked for conformation that any building under 100 square feet is not taxable in Otter Tail County. Both Bruce and Lowell confirmed that it is not taxable to their knowledge but he needs to discuss it with the Otter Tail county assessor. Secondly, neighbors told him to mention that sometimes the grader could do a better job. The supervisors stated that the quality of grading depends on the operator and the condition of the gravel at the time of grading. Thirdly, Carson is not in favor of tarring the roads as that would increase his taxes. Fourth, he owns an undeveloped 2.5 acre lot that the neighbors have been using as a driveway even though a driveway easement was submitted and accepted by Otter Tail County using other lots, not his. The board told him we have no authority over that type of situation.

Lowell and Bruce said, people are not parking on Leek Lake Road/Candor Hall Road for ice fishing purposes.

The Fire Department Audit meeting was given by Ryan. He said the books were balanced but it was noted that no entries were made between June and October. The previous treasurer was told she would need to clean up the books prior to handing them to Julie Lammers the new Fire Department treasurer.

Bruce gave a report about January Fire Department meeting. The city of Vergas will be putting up solar panels on the Community Center building and the Fire Department building is included in the arrangement. The city will receive tax credits, and other incentives to install the solar panels. The Fire Department is in need of a new roof so the timing to put on solar panels is good. Lowell suggested doing research on how other business have done financially using solar panels. Secondly, the Fire Department needs to replace the parking lot retaining wall this summer, and third, the two water hauling rigs need new chassis this year. Candor will have some financial responsibility for the items mentioned above.

Lowell will push snow further back to allow for more parking spots in front of the hall and contact Moore's to deliver a port-a potty for the Annual Meeting and Election on March 10, 2026.

The election judges for the 2026 Annual Township Election will be Rosie Dalman, Kathy Piel and Jean Bradbury.

See attached form for a list of this month's claims. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Submitted by,

Sharon Sauer, Clerk

Vice Chairman Lowell Bradbury

The Candor Township Audit meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm., February 10th, 2026 by Vice Chairman Lowell Bradbury at Candor Town Hall. Present were Lowell Bradbury, Bruce Moe, Ryan Hansen and Sharon Sauer. Visitors Duane Fillipi, Carson Rickbeil, and Kelly Shannon.

The Candor Board of Supervisors met in their capacity as the Annual Board of Audit as required by State Law. A list of claims and receipts submitted to the town were brought before the board of supervisors at the board meeting closest in time to the time the claim is submitted. Statement of claims and receipts were submitted to the supervisors four days prior to the meeting by the clerk and treasurer. Claims and receipts for the calendar year 2025 were audited. The clerks and treasurer claims and receipts coincided with the Vergas State Bank December bank statement. The supervisors certified all receipts and claims from January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025.

Ryan stated his CTAS totals met Vergas State Bank totals each month except for one check that was deposited by Big Groovy in which there was a \$5.00 error. Ryan stated he entered it into the receipts ledger after finding out that the bank could not do anything about the error. The receipts total according to CTAS-Schedule 1 are \$325,092.42, Disbursements were \$291,477.36. We gained \$33,614.64 in 2025. However, one big snow storm would cost \$ 10–15,000 in snow removal. Ryan stated Candor holds three CD's for a total value of \$170,340.24 and received \$6,493 in interest in 2025.

The year end bank balance is \$239,637.91. General fund has \$ 89,492.08, Road and Bridge \$39,122.85, and Fire Fund \$ 111,022.98. Sharon asked if the board wants to transfer money out of the fire fund into the road and bridge fund. Bruce said no, because the fire station will need a new retaining wall, a new roof with solar panels and the two water carriers may need new chassis this year. Candor Township will be responsible for some part of those items listed.

2027 budget was discussed; Bruce made a motion to leave the levy the same as 2026. He noted that the levy was increased last year. Lowell seconded the motion. Motion passed. The 2027 recommended budget at the Annual meeting will be as follows: General Fund \$ 50,000. Fire Fund \$ 50,000. Road and Bridge Fund \$ 200,000 for a total of \$ 300,000.00.

Lowell made a motion to approve the audit report, seconded by Bruce. Motion passed.

Lowell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 pm. Bruce seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 – 0.

Respectfully submitted by,

Vice Chairman, Lowell Bradbury

Sharon Sauer, Clerk

The Absentee Ballot Board of Candor Township met in its capacity on February 25th, 2026 at 9 AM at Candor Town hall. Present were Sharon Sauer, Lowell Bradbury and Bruce Moe.

The clerk received two absentee ballots on February 21, 2026. The two envelopes were opened and the signatures, and address' checked along with the last four digits of the SS number on one and the drivers license number on the other, against the Permanent Absentee List received from Otter Tail County. The board accepted both envelopes. The ballots will be opened during the canvassing of ballots on 3/10/2026.

Board adjourned at 9:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Sauer,

Candor clerk