

Town of Hickory Grove
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 14th, 2026

Meeting was called to order by chairman Gary Northouse at 6:00 p.m. He noted that meeting notices were posted at the town shop and on the town website.

Present at the meeting were Rhonda Gildersleeve, Al Wester, Gary Klein, Tim Biba, Scott Downs, Gary Northouse, Larry Schultz, Kerry Everson (Fahrner Asphalt Sealers), Robert and Drew Frey (Frey's Trucking), James Wakub, and Carl Thomson (Scott Construction). Also, Jake Yager (J&N Stone) whom arrived late for the bid opening

Gildersleeve motioned to move to opening of the bids from line 8 to line item 3, seconded by Klein motion carried

BID RESULTS

Gravel bids- ¾"

Prairie Sand and Gravel

\$7.00 /ton pickup

\$9.84 /ton delivered

\$11.22 /ton spread

Bard Materials

\$7.75 /ton pickup

\$13.00 /ton delivered

Frey's Trucking

\$7.25 pickup

\$10.45 delivered spread

Klein motioned to accept Frey Trucking bid. Gildersleeve seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Seal-coat bids 3/8"

Fahrner Asphalt Sealers

Breezy Hill \$21,107.00

Church Road \$9843.00

Sleepy Hollow Road \$41,463.00

Dry Hollow Road \$28,852.00

For Dry Hollow Road using 5/8" aggregate on entire road \$33,262.00

Scott Construction

Breezy Hill Road \$21,445.00

Church Road- \$9,985.00

Dry Hollow Road \$28,960.00

Sleepy Hollow Road \$44,265.00

Option for 5/8" over 3/8" for Dry Hollow Road \$44,265.00

Klein motion to accept Fahrner bid based on the 3/8" figures. Option open to do the 5/8" seal on a later date. Motion seconded by Gildersleeve. Motion carried.

Late seal-coat bid from J&N Stone

Dry Hollow Road	\$25,107.20
Sleepy Hollow Road	\$46,630.40
Breezy Hill Road	\$20,459.20
Church Road	\$9,971.20

Minutes were passed out, and after reading them, Klein motioned to accept the minutes. Gildersleeve seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Accounts payable were looked at by the board and approved for payment with a motion from Gildersleeve, seconded by Klein. Motion carried.

Expenditures 18523—18543 were reviewed. Gildersleeve motioned to accept the expenditures, seconded by Klein. Motion carried.

Schultz noted there were a few dead trees on Ideal Road that may need to cut before they fall on the road. The trees were on personnel property.

Sand Hill Road has wash-out areas that need addressed.

Klein noted that the salt shed inspection was completed and seems to have gone well. A few minor issues that can be taken care of when more material is removed.

Northouse checked on the status of the truck box, and reported it should be ready in three weeks.

Wester and Northouse explained the progression of the culvert LSSIP grant. Motion was made by Klein, and seconded by Gildersleeve to hire Jewell Associates to develop the cost to repair/replace two of the nineteen bridges inspected. One on Larson Road and one on Homer Road. These two culverts were rated low at a category 3 of 10.

A date was set for April 28th to meet at the Bethal Cemetery at 9:00 am for clean-up.

Gildersleeve motioned to adopt a resolution (2026-4) supporting comprehensive and sustainable transportation funding solution to the state legislators. Motion seconded by Klein. Motion carried.

Klein motioned to accept the WTA and TAC membership dues of \$1,161.22. Gildersleeve second the motion. Motion carried.

Road trip schedule will be set at the next meeting.

Northouse explained an update on the new road project the Amish had initiated off Breezy Hill Road. A survey has been done to set the right a way. The county gave them an estimate of the cost to build the road to DOT specification. It is now a waiting game to see if they will move on. Wester submitted a form for the land owners to fill out if they want to progress with the road.

Wester asked the board if they would be willing to pay the permit price to have cattle crossing work done on a culvert on Dry Hollow Road. The permit cost would be \$400.00. The Amish would do the work to fix the deteriorating bridge base to keep further damage from occurring. It was determined to not support the project.

Next meeting set for Tuesday, May 5th, 2026 at 6:00pm.

Motion by Klein to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Gildersleeve. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Allen Wester, clerk

