

Minutes of the Meeting of the Avon Township Board of Canvass

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

Avon Town Hall; 16881 Queens Road, Avon (MN)

1. **Call to Order:** Chad Klocker called to order the meeting of the Avon Township Board of Canvass at about 8:50 PM.
2. **Roll Call:** Present – Craig Blonigen, Marion Gondringer (*acting clerk*), Chad Klocker, and Kelly Martini. Absent: Bryan Rassier & Stephen Saupe (*leave of absence*). A quorum was present. Also present: Paul Buttweiler (Deputy Treasurer).
3. **Business:** The purpose of this meeting was to certify the results of the March 10, 2026 Avon Township Election. The following information was presented:
 - a. Poll hours/Set Up – Polls were open from 2:00 until 8:00 PM at the Avon Township Hall. There were 9 polling stations.
 - b. Election Judges – There were six election judges (Jacque Biniek, Duane Fasen, Colette Bresnahan, Lisa Gilk, and Kelly Martini, *Head Judge*).
 - c. Election results are summarized in the tables below:

Avon Township – Summary of the March 2025 Election	
	Total
1. Registrants prior to poll opening	1546
2. New registrants on election day (<i>not included in epoll book</i>)	0
3. Election Day Voters from poll pad summary statement	102
4. Absentee ballots returned	7
5. Absentee ballots accepted	6
6. Absentee ballots rejected	1
7. Ballots received	300
8. Substitute ballots used, if any	0
9. Completely blank ballots in ballot box	0
10. Defective ballots in ballot box	1
11. Ballots spoiled or used in machine test	4
12. Unused ballots	167
13. Total voters (= 2+3+5)	108
14. % Residents voting (= 14/1 x 100)	7%
15. Number of Election Judges	6
16. Voting Booths in use	9

- d. One ballot in the box was the incorrect ballot; it was from 2022. It is not known why this ballot was used, but it is likely that it was erroneously sent to someone on the permanent absentee ballot list. We think this ballot may have been used as a substitute when weighing a ballot package to determine postage and then it was not replaced with a current ballot before erroneously mailing to a voter.
- e. A summary of the vote totals is shown below:

Avon Township – Summary of the March 2026 Township Election		
Race	Candidate(s)	Votes
Supervisor: 3-year term (2026 – 2029)	Chad Klocker	74 (72.5%)
	Joe Koopmeiners	25 (24.5%)
	LeRoy Gondringer	3 (2.9%)
	Total	102
Clerk: 2-year term		
(2026 – 2028)	Stephen Saupe	92 (95.8%)
	Barb Lang	1 (1.0%)
	Kelly Caspers	1 (1.0%)
	Kelly Martini	2 (2.1%)
	Total	96

4. **Election Results:**

- a. Supervisor (*three-year term: 2026 – 2029*): Chad Klocker
- b. Clerk (*two-year term: 2026 – 2028*): Stephen Saupe

5. **Certification:** Klocker moved to accept and certify the election process and results of the 2026 Avon Township Election declaring Chad Klocker the winner of the race for Supervisor for a three-year term, and Stephen Saupe the winner of the race for Clerk for a two-year term. Blonigen second. Both in favor. Motion carried.

6. **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn the meeting by Klocker at about 9:00 PM. Blonigen second. Both in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen G. Saupe, Clerk
 Marion Gondringer, Deputy Clerk

date: March 14, 2026

Supervisor Approval:

date: _____

 Craig Blonigen

 Chad Klocker

 Bryan Rassier