

SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS – May 5, 2026 – Approved

- I. **Call to Order at 7:00 PM by Chair Helman – Pledge of Allegiance**
- II. **Roll Call:** Supervisor Christensen excused. 6 Residents Attending and 1 online.
- III. **Board Recessed until the completion of the P&Z Meeting**
- IV. **Board Reconvened**
- V. **Agenda** Motion made by Supervisor Nelson seconded by Vice-Chair Geyen Carried 4-0 to approve the agenda
- VI. **Open Forum:** no speakers
- VII. **Meeting Minutes:** reviewed at length, motion made by Chair Helmen and seconded by Supervisor Forsman to approve the April 21st minutes with 2 corrections. 3-0-1 (Nelson)
- VIII. **Approve Bills:** Motion made by Supervisor Nelson, Seconded by Vice Chair Geyen Carried 4-0 to pay the bills of \$17,395.13 (payroll of 8,107.06 + 2 claim reports) Comment that all should be on 1 claim report
- IX. **Audit Claims:**

Check#	Amount	Payee	Verified
19879	\$ 385.00	Northstar Tech	H/G
19881	\$ 653.24	IRS	H/G
19884	\$ 45.00	East Side Oil	H/G
19887	\$ 25.96	Johann Massmann	H/G
- X. **Reports**

Clerk Treasurer: Lengthy discussion of IRS and Department of Social Security issues communicated in recent letters from Tax Year 2024 and 2025 relating to payroll reporting. A discrepancy of approximately \$1,804.00 dollars on wages of approximately \$ 213,997 was noted. PERA issues with Supervisors rates were discussed. Motion Made by Chair Helmen and Seconded by Supervisor Forsman to pay up to \$ 5,000.00 to ABDO Financial to assist with the 2024 & 2025 payroll issues after reaching out to our Accountant first. Carried 4-0.

Discussion continued. Supervisor Forsman expressed a desire for a closed meeting. Chair Helmen made a motion to Close the meeting at 8:20 (1:18:47) as per Statue 13D.01 to close the meeting to discuss performance issue. Seconded by Vice Chair Geyen, Carried 4-0

Meeting reopened at 9:21. Clerk will bring forward a proposal regarding cost and time for a temporary assistant.

Departments: Clerk report wrapped up.

Maintenance discussed Chipseal Quotes, the difference between Bids & Quotes, and that they were coming in 8 to 9% above estimates due to fuel increases. Presented Chip Seal quotes. Motion made by Supervisor Nelson and Seconded by Vice Chair Geyen Seconded to award the 2-inch chip seal overlay to Knife River for \$ 100,750.00 as they were the lowest bid of the requested quotes. (Carried 4-0)
- XI. **Old Business**

Clean up Day: Chair Helmen reported on the success of Clean-up Day and thanked the many volunteers who helped.

Nuisance Properties: substantial progress was made on the property with tires.
- XII. **New Business**

Employee Health and Dental: Discussion centered on the need to keep employees and that the Township hadn't increased benefits in 2 or 3 years. Motion made by Vice Chair Geyen, seconded by Supervisor Forsman to increase the Healthcare benefit by \$500/mo to a maximum of \$ 2,000.00 per month per employee starting June 1st. We will offer Dental within that amount if an employee wants it. We may reevaluate in a month or so.

XIII. Adjournment: Motion Made by Supervisor Nelson, Seconded by Supervisor Forsman to Adjourn at 10:03 pm

Clerk Treasurer