



Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 7:00 PM  
Held at Maple Lake Township Hall

The regular meeting of the Maple Lake Township Board was called to order by Chairman Tom Neumann at 7:00 PM.

Supervisor John Pederson, Supervisor Tom Hackenmueller, Clerk Esther Wenzel and Treasurer Judy Neumann were present.

Minutes from the July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 regular board meeting were read by Chairman Neumann. A motion was made by Pederson, seconded by Hackenmueller to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Checks 4268-4305 were presented to the Board for approval and payment. A motion was offered by Pederson, seconded by Hackenmueller to approve and pay the checks as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

There was a continuation from the March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Annual Meeting to discuss the township's levy. There was a motion made by Pederson, seconded by Hackenmueller to nominate Brain Franke to moderate the meeting for the discussion of the Levy. Motion carried. There was a motion made by Tom Neumann, seconded by John Pederson to set the Levy at \$688,331.70, general fund \$98,145.60 and the Road and Bridge Fund at \$590,186.10 There was no discussion. Motion Carried unanimously.

The rest of the meeting was turned back to the Supervisor's for the regular meeting.

Jan Bakeberg came to discuss her mailbox post. She claimed the maintenance department knocked her mailbox over. The board responded by saying that they discussed this with the maintenance department. The Supervisors all agreed that the maintenance department did not knock it down. The Supervisors also told her that the maintenance guys can install a new mailbox post and swing away but she would have to pay for it. She agreed to pay for a new one.

Brain Franke (6492 Ferman Ave NW) came to the meeting to ask about the City of Maple Lake's compost site. He wanted to know why the township residents couldn't use it and if there was any way that they could use it. The board told him that unfortunately only Maple Lake City residents could use that compost site. Also, they had a complaint regarding Mumford Sanitation, stating that they are hard to get ahold of. The board also agreed that even the township has a hard time getting ahold of them as well.

A property owner on 51<sup>st</sup> asked the township if we could install an additional road sign to better indicate that 51<sup>st</sup> street continues. The board all agreed that a sign is already up and they did not see the need to install an additional sign at this time. However, if they pay the township for the cost of the sign and to install it, they would just have to let the township know.



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Levying the fire dues instead of having it paid as a special assessment was discussed. This discussion will be continued till the March meeting to better understand the difference between the two.

The board asked the clerk to mail a bill of sale to Victor Township for the Sterling Dump Truck stating that they cannot pick up the dump truck until Maple Lake Township receives their new dump truck.

Supervisors' wages were discussed. There was a motion made by Hackenmueller, seconded by Pederson to raise the wage to \$275 a month. That motion was rescinded. A new motion was made by Hackenmueller, seconded by Pederson to go back to the original pay and leave it as is for now and maybe revisit this at a later date. Motion carried 3-0.

A couple homeowners on Desoto and Devitt Ave have gutters that run water directly onto the township roads causing unnatural erosion and need to be rerouted somewhere else. The attorney said we are in good standing to ask those residents to remove the gutters, referring to State Law 143. The clerk will send them a letter, but first Pederson will try and talk to them.

Sending out a postcard type letter to the Maple Lake Township Residents was discussed. There was a motion made by Pederson, seconded by Hackenmueller to spend no more than \$750.00 for a post card mailing. Motion carried 3-0.

Seal coating or patching some tar roads in the township was discussed. The township will have to receive some quotes on what it would cost before a decision can be made.

On Bishop Ave there is a ravine by the cul-de-sac that needs to be fixed. There was discussion on extending the culvert and adding clay and rock to repair it. The maintenance and supervisors will keep working on this to see what can be done to fix it.

On Desoto and Devitt Ave at the intersection there is an intake. The maintenance will go and look at it to see what can be done to possibly reshape the corner.

The 73<sup>rd</sup> and 85<sup>th</sup> Grant Project on those roads is behind schedule due to a culvert that needs to be fixed.

There was a motion made by Pederson and seconded by Hackenmueller to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 PM. Motion carried 3-0.

Attest,

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Esther Wenzel

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Thomas Neumann



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