

**2025 Board of Reorganization Meeting  
Secretary's Report  
April 3, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.**

**APRIL 2025 BOARD OF REORGANIZATION MEETING**

Chairman **Paul Ledebuhr** called the **April 2025** Money Creek Town Board Meeting to order at 6:05pm. Additional board members present included Supervisors **Cory Feine** and **Randy Hongerholt**, Clerk **Adam Florin** and Treasurer **Terrie Deboer**. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Township Attorney Terry Chiglo was present and presented information regarding the authorization of vacation of the alleyway discussed at the Annual Town Meeting. He explained that the board now needs to schedule a road hearing. Once the board picks a date for the road hearing, he explained, a public notice will need to be posted and published. During this hearing, the board will need to physically visit and view the alleyway. Then the board needs to allow for public comment. For tonight's meeting, he explained, the board simply needs to approve the order that Mr. Chiglo has prepared.

Mr. Chiglo asked if the alleyway is adjacent to any waterway, to which Paul responded No. Terry explained a few additional details on the decisions to be made, including the sequence of steps to be taken. The board decided to hold the hearing one June 5, 2025. Terry Chiglo pointed out that a survey would indeed need to be conducted. He also commented that the survey would need to be a township expense initially. Once the hearing takes place on June 5<sup>th</sup> the board will have to decide who would need to pay for the survey. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to adopt the order prepared by Terry Chiglo and to hold the hearing on June 5, 2025 at 5:00pm at the town hall and the alley vacation site. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Feine**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for the reading of the Secretary's Report, which the Clerk read aloud. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to approve the Secretary's Report as read. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Feine**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for the reading of the Treasurer's Report. Treasurer **Terrie Deboer** reported aloud the following balances ending **March 31, 2025**:

Fund Number	Fund	Amount
<b>100</b>	General Fund	\$440,268.11
<b>201</b>	Road & Bridge Fund	\$183,179.80
<b>210</b>	Fire Fund	\$6,221.55
<b>220</b>	Ambulance Fund	\$34,205.30
<b>230</b>	Solid Waste Fund	\$10,621.97
<b>240</b>	Street Light Fund	\$1,130.19
<b>250</b>	Equipment Fund	\$74,950.91
<b>260</b>	Sealcoating Fund	\$10,000.00
<b>270</b>	ARPA Fund	\$10,477.50
<b>404</b>	Park Acquisition & Development Fund	\$2,353.89
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$773,409.22</b>

Supervisor **Feine** motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report as read. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Hongerholt**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Supervisor **Feine** made a motion to pay the bills. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Hongerholt**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Bets Reedy and John Jordan were on hand, and explained that they have been attempting to contact our elected representatives in Washington, D.C. They presented the board with a list of items that they are concerned with. John Jordan explained that they are requesting the board attempt to contact 3 individuals; Representative Brad Finstad, Senator Tina Smith, and Senator Amy Klobuchar, urging action on a number of topics (list attached). Supervisor **Feine** suggested that the board could contact one of the MAT representatives Rex Edge – District #1 Director of MAT. Clerk **Florin** commented that he received a letter from Steve Hartwick echoing the same sentiment.

**Mike Burbach** from Money Creek Haven mentioned that they are looking into charitable gambling; they are looking into this as a way to fund Winona area youth hockey. He explained that this wouldn't be a permanent deal, possibly just for one more season. The board discussed different details of the

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charitable gambling process and how it would be used. Chairman **Ledebuhr** explained that he found out that it is up to the town board to decide whether to allow this within the township. Supervisor **Fiene** motioned to approve the charitable gambling permit for Money Creek Haven; motion was seconded by Supervisor **Hongerholt**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval. Chairman **Ledebuhr** signed the permit application and sent it with Mr. Burbach.

Mr. Burbach also explained that their current liquor license expires on June 1, so he will be requesting to renew this in the next couple of months.

Corey and Doug provided the Road & Bridge report. Corey explained that some of the potholes tripled in size after the last bit of snowfall this week. He hauled a few loads to Perkins Valley Drive recently.

The supervisors discussed a good time and date to reschedule the Road Tour. They rescheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm.

The board discussed options on getting rid of the old plow truck; Supervisor **Hongerholt** commented that the old plow truck might need some maintenance work done before selling it on the auction sites.

The board reviewed the gravel quotes; they received 2 quotes, one from Bruening Rock Products and the other from Milestone Materials. The bid from Bruening was \$11.80/ton, delivered and spread, and Milestone quoted \$12.65/ton, delivered and spread. The Bruening ice rock is \$11.75/ton delivered, or \$20.43/ton delivered and spread. Supervisor **Fiene** motioned to approve the quote from Bruening for regular gravel at \$11.80/ton. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Hongerholt**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to approve the quote for ice rock for \$11.75 (delivered) from Bruening. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Fiene**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

The board reviewed the building permit from Brooke Johnson. Chairman **Ledebuhr** heard from Amelia at the County Zoning department that they are going to change the process to direct the landowners to contact their town board first, and then have the landowners attend the next town board meeting. Chairman **Ledebuhr** asked the county to have Paul become the main POC going forward for building permits. Chairman **Ledebuhr** explained that the county will not proceed with the building permit application process until they receive an email from the town board formally approving the application before they proceed in issuing the permit. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to approve the building permit for Brook Johnson. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Fiene**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Treasurer **Deboer** reminded the board that the plant and bake sale will take place on April 25-26 at the town hall.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** talked about the HCTOA meeting – he heard from Adam Heberlein that our township contains 320 total E911 signs. They are going to cost \$70 per sign without posts; replacement posts will cost extra, about \$22,000 overall. Only about 38 of our other road signs will need to be replaced this year, according to the county sign inventory report.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** commented on the cannabis ordinance; the county is allowing 4 cannabis sellers in Houston County. Supervisor **Fiene** motioned to have Money Creek Township fall within the county retail cannabis ordinance. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Hongerholt**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

The board then attended to the following Board of Reorganization agenda items:

1. Supervisor **Fiene** motioned to appoint Paul Ledebuhr as town board chairman. Supervisor **Hongerholt** seconded the motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
2. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to set the 2025 monthly board meeting schedule as the first Thursday of each month at 6:00pm. Chairman **Fiene** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
3. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to set the Supervisors wage rate as \$25 per hour. Supervisor **Fiene** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

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4. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to set the Treasurer's wage rate at \$25/hour plus a \$500 annual salary. Supervisor **Feine** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
5. Supervisor **Feine** motioned to set the Clerk's wage rate at \$30/hour. Supervisor **Hongerholt** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
6. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to set the Deputy Clerk's wage rate at \$20/hour. Supervisor **Feine** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
7. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to set the election judge wage rate at \$20 per hour and \$60 for the meeting rate. Supervisor **Feine** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
8. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to set the regular meeting rate at \$100 and \$200 for extended or all-day meetings. Supervisor **Fiene** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
9. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to set the mileage rate at \$0.70 per mile. Supervisor **Feine** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
10. Supervisor **Fiene** motioned to set the Equipment Operator's wage rate at \$30 per hour plus \$80 per meeting. Supervisor **Feine** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
11. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to contribute \$500 for the Houston Summer Rec program. Supervisor **Feine** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
12. Supervisor **Feine** motioned to contribute \$500 to the Houston County Fair. Supervisor **Hongerholt** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
13. Supervisor **Fiene** motioned to set the township official newspapers as the Township Website, Caledonia Argus and Fillmore County Journal. Supervisor **Hongerholt** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
14. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to select Rushford State Bank as the township bank depositor. Supervisor **Feine** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
15. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to select Terry Chiglo as the township attorney. Supervisor **Feine** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.
16. Supervisor **Feine** motioned to keep the gopher bounty at \$2 and \$3 for woodchucks. Supervisor **Hongerholt** seconded this motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to transfer \$10,477.50 to Sealcoating Fund from the American Rescue Act Fund. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Feine**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Motion by Fiene to close out the ARPA find and CARES act funds. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Hongerholt**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** mentioned that the county is not running a chloride truck itself for the 2025 season – they have decided to outsource this to a 3<sup>rd</sup> party. Supervisor **Hongerholt** commented that he will talk to Brian about this.

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With no additional business to conduct, Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to adjourn the April 2025 Money Creek Board of Reorganization Meeting. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Feine**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.

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