

2025 February Town Board Meeting Secretary's Report February 6, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 2025 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Chairman **Ledebuhr** called the February 6, 2025 Money Creek Town Board Meeting to order at 6:05PM. Other board members present included Supervisors **Feine and Hongerholt**, Treasurer **Deboer** and Clerk **Florin**. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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 **Deboer** reported aloud the following balances ending **January 31**, 2025:

Fund Number	Fund	Amount
100	General Fund	\$447,367.05
201	Road & Bridge Fund	\$152,869.49
210	Fire Fund	\$12,627.45
220	Ambulance Fund	\$34,279.37
230	Solid Waste Fund	\$13,678.95
240	Street Light Fund	\$1,533.43
250	Equipment Fund	\$77,253.16
270	ARPA Fund	\$10,477.50
280	Sealcoating Fund	\$10,000.00
404	Park Acquisition & Development Fund	\$1,998.89
Grand Total		\$762,085.29

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

Chairman **Ledebuhr** has been doing some research regarding the alleyway. He found that back in 1991 there was a petition to close some of the alleyways which went through. There is not any official record stating that the alleyway was technically ever "closed." Based on his research, the north 10' of the original 20' alleyway was closed, however the other 10' alleyway was not, and therefore the 10' south section is still technically open. Chairman **Ledebuhr** spoke to the County surveyor who stated that the surveying should be the responsibility of the landowners. To close the South side of the alleyway, the board would have to go through a legal process to make it happen. Chairman **Ledebuhr** stated that he will look at getting a survey done of this area.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** had RDO come out for an inspection of the township's road grader. The estimate came back at \$18,787.14. If we had it hauled up there, it would save us about \$3,000. Supervisors discussed details of the estimate. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to approve the quote, minus a few specific items that are not necessary or required – not the entire list of services quoted. Supervisor **Feine** seconded the motion. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** stated that the gravel we received last season was extremely dusty. He stated that the board needs to include certain requirements in the published ads for the coming season. The board discussed options to ensure good quality gravel, including rock sampling & testing, etc. This discussion will be continued for next month.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** asked whether the board is interested in requesting quotes for mowing the town hall lawn, or if we just want to use the same guy from last season. Board generally agreed to publish RFQ's – this will also be discussed at the March meeting.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** talked to Johnny Micheel and he is planning to come to the village to work on the ROW trimming – he is planning to do this work in the near future.

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The board discussed the situation with the culvert patches that are settling on Clinton Road and Money Creek Rd. The board agreed that something needs to be done about these. Supervisors discussed options to resolving these issues.

Brian Jackson reached out to Chairman **Ledebuhr** about another grader training class; he doesn't have a date selected yet however that will be forthcoming, for a 3-day training class. Paul told him to put the township down for at least 1 person, and possibly up to 4 people.

Supervisors reviewed a map of township roads that may need some brushing/trimming along the roadways.

Motioned made by Supervisor **Hongerholt** to appoint the following election judges; Adam Florin, Elizabeth Micheel, Randy Hongerholt, Wally Wilkemeyer, and Cory Feine. Motion was seconded by Supervisor **Feine**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Supervisors discussed the chloride request from the county – they need to know how many gallons we wanted for the upcoming season. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to request 6,000 gallons same as last year. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Feine**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

The board discussed the email from MN Dept of Agriculture regarding the spongy moth. Chairman **Ledebuhr** mentioned that he would reach out to her to get additional details of her proposal.

Universal Truck Equipment reached out to Chairman **Ledebuhr** about the UTE Open House & Equipment Expo – they would like to have our new plow truck there, on Monday, May 14, with the plow attached.

Supervisors discussed the notice of solar moratorium from Amelia Meiners, Houston County Environmental Services.

Paul took the loader tractor to Hammell's in Rushford. Paul recommended that we get something with a little better speed in the future.

With no additional business to conduct, Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to adjourn the February 2025 Money Creek Town Board Meeting. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Feine**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of adjournment, and the meeting adjourned at 7:48pm.

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2025 BOARD OF AUDIT MEETING

Chairman **Ledebuhr** called the 2025 Board of Audit to order at 7:49PM. Board members present included Supervisors **Cory Feine** and **Randy Hongerholt**, Treasurer **Terrie Deboer**, and Clerk **Adam Florin**. The board discussed a variety of factors that would affect the town budget for the year 2026.

Treasurer **Deboer** and Clerk **Florin** presented the financial statement for the township for the year 2024, and both the Clerk and Treasurer concurred that both of their ledgers match the bank statement as of December 31, 2024. The final ending balance was \$758,686.34. Supervisor **Feine** motioned to approve the 2024 financial statement. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Hongerholt**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to recommend the following 2026 Levy amounts to be presented to the town at the upcoming March 11 Annual Meeting:

2026 Recommended Levy Amounts (to be presented at the upcoming March Annual Meeting)

 General Fund
 \$0

 Road & Bridge
 \$233,100

 Fire
 \$12,600

 Ambulance
 \$12,600

 Solid Waste
 \$12,600

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Equipment Fund \$42,000 Street Lights \$1,575

Totals \$314,475

The board recognized that the total levy amount represented a 5% increase compared to the levy for 2025. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Feine**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Supervisor **Feine** motioned to adjourn the 2025 Board of Audit. Motion was seconded by Supervisor **Hongerholt**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval, and the meeting adjourned at 8:12PM.

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