

# MINUTES

**Town of New Independence  
Board of Supervisors' Meeting  
New Independence Town Hall  
June 1, 2015**

Chairman: Michael Maish  
Vice Chairman: Kurt Johnson  
Supervisor: Jon Olson  
Treasurer: Peter Olson  
Clerk: Sandra Lee Olson

The June meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order by its chair, Mike Maish, at 7:02 pm with all officers present except Supervisor Jon Olson.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk Sandra Lee Olson read the minutes of the May meeting. A motion was made by Supervisor Kurt Johnson, seconded by Supervisor Mike Maish, and passed by a unanimous vote. The minutes were placed on file with other documents from the meeting.

Following the presentation of the Treasurer's Report by Treasurer Peter Olson, Kurt Johnson made a motion to accept the report, subject to audit. Mike Maish seconded the motion, and the report was placed on file following a unanimous vote in favor of the motion. While the entire report is on file with the clerk, the first page of the Treasurer's Report is included below:

New Independence  
Treasurer's Report  
Presented to Board at the June 2015 Meeting  
For May 1 through May 31, 2015

Cash Accounts					
	Statement Date	Interest	Previous Balances		Current Balances
Wells Fargo Business Checking xxxxxx3050 (Primary)	Online Balance as of May 31, 2015	\$ 0.11	\$	15,734.32	\$ 13,499.74
Wells Fargo Business Checking xxxxxx1054 (EFT)	Online Balance as of May 31, 2015	\$ -	\$	5,328.68	\$ 5,328.68
<b>Total Balance for Checking Accounts</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>21,063.00</b>	<b>\$ 18,828.42</b>
Wells Fargo Business Savings xxxxxx6624	Online Balance as of May 31, 2015	\$ 1.36	\$	6.53	\$ 53,659.76
<b>Total Balance for Cash Accounts</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>6.53</b>	<b>74,722.76</b>
<b>Investments-CDs</b>					
	Statement Date	Interest	2015		Current Balance
			Interest	Previous Balance	
Wells Fargo CD1 xxxxxx8954 (matures 8/20/2018)	0.17% Online Balance as of May 31, 2015	\$ 9.56	\$ 48.07	\$ 25,838.25	\$ 25,847.81
Wells Fargo CD2 xxxxxx8962 (matures 8/20/2018)	0.17% Online Balance as of May 31, 2015	\$ 9.56	\$ 48.07	\$ 25,838.25	\$ 25,847.81
Wells Fargo CD3 xxxxxx8801 (matures 11/28/2015)	0.35% Online Balance as of May 31, 2015	\$ 7.22	\$ 36.31	\$ 25,085.31	\$ 25,092.53
Wells Fargo CD4 xxxxxx8845 (matures 11/28/2015)	0.35% Online Balance as of May 31, 2015	\$ 7.22	\$ 36.31	\$ 25,085.31	\$ 25,092.53
Wells Fargo CD5 xxxxxx8868 (matures 11/28/2015)	0.25% Online Balance as of May 31, 2015	\$ 5.17	\$ 26.01	\$ 25,151.31	\$ 25,156.48
Wells Fargo CD6 xxxxxx8876 (matures 11/28/2015)	0.55% Online Balance as of May 31, 2015	\$ 11.45	\$ 57.60	\$ 25,334.09	\$ 25,345.54
<b>Total of All CDs</b>			<b>\$ 50.18</b>	<b>\$ 252.37</b>	<b>\$ 152,332.52</b>
					<b>Current Savings Total</b>
					<b>\$ 53,661.12</b>
					<b>Current CD Total</b>
					<b>\$ 152,382.70</b>
					<b>Investment Total</b>
					<b>\$ 206,043.82</b>
<b>Total of All Accounts (with checks/deposits outstanding)</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>227,055.28</b>	<b>\$ 224,872.24</b>
<b>Deposit Made During May</b>					
Cemetery	Blom	three cemetery lots		General Fund	\$300.00
	Anvid	one cemetery lot		General Fund	\$100.00

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The Clerk's Report given by Clerk Sandra Lee Olson included information related to several topics in addition to the financial aspect of her report, which was placed on file after a motion to accept the Clerk's Report, subject to audit, was offered by Kurt Johnson, seconded by Mike Maish, and passed. The topics included in her report were:

- Cemetery Deeds were completed and mailed on May 12, 2015
- Letter to voters about Fire Hall addition was printed and mailed on May 12, 2015
- Numerous call were made to the IRS regarding the check issued as a refund for overpayment on Form 944. A letter will be sent
- Notices from Local Board of Appeal and Equalization were sent on May 10, 2015
- Financial component of the Clerk's Report included:

Town of New Independence		Cash Balance Statement			6/1/2015
As of 6/1/2015		Clerk's Report			
Fiscal Year: 2015		for			
		Month Ending on May 31, 2015			
Name of Fund	Restric Balance	Total Receipts	Total Disbursements	End of Balance	
General Fund	\$102.89	\$10,935.05	\$17,211.87	(\$6,173.93)	
Road and Bridge	\$21,617.55	\$2,827.96	\$42.56	\$24,402.95	
Sowle Cartway Bond Fund	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	
Perpetual Care	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total :</b>	<b>\$22,220.44</b>	<b>\$13,762.41</b>	<b>\$17,254.43</b>	<b>\$18,728.42</b>	

**Incoming Correspondence**

1. Voyageur Press...notice for Local Board of Appeal and Equalization invoice (\$107.31)
2. Westermann Law Office...invoice for Joint Powers
3. Karppinen Construction...final invoice for bathroom remodel (\$2,780.00)
4. Minnesota Association of Townships...membership cards for board members
5. Couri & Ruppe...information on the Legal Seminar to be held on October 3, 2015, at Cotton Town Hall (SLC)
6. St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Department...information on the SLC Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Aid
7. Federated Co-ops, Inc...statement showing a credit balance of \$546.27
8. Lake Country Power...statement showing a credit balance of \$161.02
9. SLC Attorney's Office...2014 Annual Report
10. SLC Elections Office...Chapter 70-2015 and Laws 205 Chapter 70 Omnibus Elections Summary
11. SLC Association of Townships
  - Minutes of the Annual Meeting
  - By Laws
  - Minutes of the March 25, 2015 meeting
12. SLC Public Works Department...information on the 2015 calcium chloride dust control
13. Olson Trucking & Equipment...gravel and topsoil were delivered and spread at the cemetery. The billing for that work was \$350.00

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14. Cemetery correspondence...burial certificate was received and filed with the cemetery records.

Approval of Payroll/Claims

After the payroll was read by Mike Maish, Kurt Johnson made a motion to pay the Payroll. Mike seconded the motion, which passed by a unanimous vote. The following items were submitted to the treasurer for payment.

3567. Kurt Johnson -----	\$224.52
3568. Michael Maish -----	\$229.36
3569. Jon Olson-----	\$79.84
3570. Peter Olson-----	\$121.62
3571. Sandra Lee Olson-----	\$408.55

The following claims were read into the record by Mike Maish, who then made a motion to pay the claims as presented. Following the second by Kurt Johnson and a unanimous vote in favor of the motion, the claims were submitted to the treasurer for payment.

3572. Frontier Communications -----	\$70.00
3573. Public Employees Retirement Association -----	\$190.4
3574. Sandra Lee Olson (non 1099) -----	\$301.76
3575. Michael Maish (non 1099)-----	\$82.23
3576. Michael Maish (contractual)-----	\$350.00
3577. Karppinen Construction-----	\$2780.00
3578. Voyageur Press -----	\$107.31
3579. Westermann Law Office -----	\$702.00
3580. Olson Trucking and Equipment -----	\$350.00

Unfinished Business

1. Cemetery
  - Kurt reported that the Clean-up Day was held as scheduled with Floyd Olson supplying gravel and top soil.
  - Certificates for lots were completed and mailed to individuals.
2. Roads
  - Mike reported that there are some potholes on South Schelin. Grading will start on June 3 by Rodda.
3. Town Hall
  - Furniture for the Town Hall
    - Storage unit for town records has not been purchased yet.
    - The table from Schneiderman's will be delivered once they receive a new one. Kurt feels it won't be long before it is available.
  - Bathroom remodel has been completed and the check was written at this meeting.
  - No report on the blacktop sealant.
  - No report on a water conditioner for iron removal.
4. Joint Powers/Fire Hall Addition
  - The meeting has been set for June 9, 2015, 7:00 pm. All registered voters were sent a letter informing them of the meeting. Jay Tremblay, Alborn Fire Department trainer,

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and Robb Obey, fire chief, will explain the addition to voters at the meeting. Officers will arrive about 6 pm to set up chairs and tables.

5. Several attempts have been made to the Department of Treasury regarding the overpayment check (\$477.31). The clerk will write a letter addressing the situation.

**New Business**

1. Short Course
  - Mike Maish made a motion to pay the meeting rate, mileage, and registration for any board member that attends the Summer Short Course offered by MAT. Kurt Johnson seconded the motion, which passed by a unanimous vote.
2. August meeting
  - Kurt Johnson made a motion to hold the August Board of Supervisors' Meeting on August 17, 2015, instead of the currently scheduled meeting. Mike Maish seconded the motion, which passed by a unanimous vote.

**Officer Reports**

- SLCAT (Mike Maish)

At 8:19 pm, Mike Maish made a motion for adjournment. Following a second and unanimous vote, the meeting was declared closed.

Minutes submitted for approval \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Chair of the Board of Supervisors' Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Upcoming Meetings**

**Board of Supervisors' Meetings for 2015**

July 6	September 14	November 2
August 3	October 5	December 7

**St. Louis County Association Township Officers' Meeting (7:00 PM Meeting Time)  
2015**