

LEAF VALLEY TOWNSHIP

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CHAIR, Wade Nibbe called the April 12, 2012 monthly meeting to order @ 7:00 pm with Supervisors Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost, Treasurer Barb Guenther and Clerk Pam Cuperus present. Township road engineer, Richard Vogt and visitors Sandy Dittberner and Dale Vollmers were also present.

CLERK read the minutes of the March 08, 2012 monthly meeting. Motion was made and second to accept these minutes as prepared and read with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.

CLERK read the minutes of the March 24, 2012 Special Meeting. Motion was made and second to accept these minutes, passing RESOLUTION 03242012, with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.

TREASURER gave the financial report/statement. Savings account 03/31/2012 balance \$412,755.66; checking account 03/31/2012 balance \$2,600.82. CD @ BlackRidge Bank (Miltona State), \$12,460.48 (Fire Fund). The income for March totaled \$1,939.13. There are ten outstanding CLRSD checks, two should be re-issued, property owner never did receive them, and there are some residents Board has agreed to contact to find out if they were received, lost them or forgot about cashing them before Treasurer has stop payment on those @ cost of \$29.00 per check. At this time motion was made to accept the financial report/statements and to re-issue two CLRSD refund checks with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion and motion carried. Treasurer started to prepare checks for review and to be signed.

Richard had couple concerns regarding the condition of some of gravel roads and damage done from heavy truck traffic on those roads. It was agreed that at the spring road tour the Board and engineer will spend some extra time at those areas and consider what could be or should be done to improve the condition of those township roads. Wade informed Board that by 01/2013 it is mandated that all posts for all new signs need to be replaced/installed. The sign dept. engineer from county said many of old township signs are no longer necessary and can be removed bringing the cost of replacement down considerably. It was agreed that as soon as Wade contacts Jeff Parkins, and a date can be set when he will be able to ride along the date of spring road tour will be set. Richard also reminded Board that 2011 it was agreed to stripe Hidden Valley Rd/Ln sharing cost with Miltona Township. The company doing that

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project was contacted to late in season and project never did get completed and the road has deteriorated dramatically and needs to be completed this spring. When Dale Diedrich was at the Public Works highway dept., it was learned that Hidden Valley Ln is NOT a Township road, it was dedicated to lot owners, not a public road, and it is completely the responsibility of each lot owner to maintain that road. The Township road ends at the Y, as it turns west or east. If it is advised to change this road back to township road the road may have to be brought up to county standards, if this happens it could be very costly for the township. The Township will obtain legal counsel all discussions and decisions are tabled. Dale will check with attorney and Wade will contact Milona Township about the striping project.

Dale Diedrich contacted Joe Brandt and asked him to contact all residents on Frances Ln regarding the maintenance of Frances Ln. it is the responsibility of residents for all road maintenance.

Wade brought Board up to date on the repair of wall and installation of new service doors into the lower level into fire truck garage. Motion was made and second for Diversified Construction to do this remodeling project, the doors and repairs cost about \$750.00 and repairing of wall, east of service door, to NOT exceed \$1,000.00 with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich, and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried. Wade has agreed to continue to work with company, keeping Board up to date as need. All this expense will be taken out of the Hall Maintenance Fund.

Clerk will contact Chad Swanson asking if he would put informative letter to add along with second, 2011, refund checks that will be sent end of June 2012. Clerk will keep Board up to date.

Clerk informed Board the grant applied for election booths that the Township will receive \$378.00. She will start all paper work so hopefully new booths will be here before primary, June or August. Motion was made and second to not exceed \$500.00 if more funds are needed to purchase booths, no further discussion motion carried. Leon/Caroline Schultz and Rod/Marvell Rolfe have agreed to assist with elections but one more judge should be trained. We need four at all times on both election days and Supervisor's will also assist if available, Clerk will find someone before training. The road maintenance bid notice will be published so a decision for road engineer can be made at the May meeting. The township is tax exempt effective 11/2011 clerk will try to send form to all companies that do business with township.

Board of Re-Organization 2012/2013:

1. Motion was made and second to have William Leuthne, attorney, represent the Leaf Valley Township for legal matters with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye. Dale had contacted Mr. Leuthner, he has agreed to assist Township if there is a need he also represents Ida Township so is familiar with township matters; no further discussion motion carried.
2. Motion was made and second to continue to compensate all Board members @\$12.50 an hour, minimum of 2 hours whenever going out on any emergency road inspections. If copies of minutes, etc., is needed this also @ \$12.50 an hour plus cost of copies, at the expense of individual making request: with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion, motion carried.
3. Motion was made and second to continue compensating Board for all township meetings and any Special Meetings @ \$50.00, four (4) hours. Attending spring/summer courses paid by hour if lasts over 4 hours, plus mileage to and from, meals need receipts, and any extra purchases for township must have all receipts for compensation; with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.
4. Chair asked Treasurer and Clerk if salary they are currently receiving was reasonable with them, motion was made and second to continue to compensate Treasurer \$1,250.00 a year and Clerk \$2,000.00 a year and \$12.500 per diem and mileage when needed with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.
5. Motion was made and second to continue to compensate Head Election Judges and Board members @\$12.50 an hour, election judges \$10.00 an hour plus mileage and cost of training for everyone with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.
6. Motion was made and second to continue doing all LV Township financial business and transactions with the US Bank in Alexandria, MN. The Treasurer will also continue to handle all the monthly banking transactions and be compensated per diem and for mileage with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.
7. Motion was made and second to continue to use MAT for all insurance coverage for all Township needs with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.
8. Motion was made and second to continue to use Echo Press and P.P. Independent for all publishing for Township notices: to continue to post all notices at Creamry and LV Hall with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.

9. Motion was made and second to continue to meet @ Hall, second Thursday of each month @ 7:00 pm with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.
10. Motion was made and second to continue to compensate moderator for Annual Meeting @\$25.00 with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich, and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.
11. Motion made and second to pay mileage at current rate allowed by government, (.555 may change in July) with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.
12. Motion was made and second to continue to pay bounty of \$2.50 for gophers and \$30.00 for beavers with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.
13. Motion was made and second to use Millerville Treasurer and Clerk as LV Township Deputy Township Treasurer and Clerk with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye. Clerk will send these affidavits to Millerville, no further discussion motion carried.

All Board members filled out and signed the Volunteer Service Statement & Agreement; Clerk will get any other volunteers signatures before any work is done.

Motion was made and second for Wade Nibbe to continue 2012/2013 as LV Township Chair with Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion, Wade Nibbe abstained, motion carried. Motion was made and second for Dale Diedrich to continue 2012/2013 as LV Township Vice-Chair with Wade Nibbe and Brent Ost voting aye, Dale Diedrich abstained, no further discussion motion carried.

All mail was reviewed, Supervisors were reminded the Board of Review, April 17, 2012 @ 9:00 am, all of them must attend. Clerk asked if Township District 9 yearly meeting could be held @ Hall, Township doesn't need to supply anything, she will keep Board informed.

Treasurer had all claims prepared and ready to be reviewed and signed, #7467 thru #7490: General Fund \$1,972.64, Road/Bridge Fund \$2,538.30, Fire Fund \$3,220.21 and Park Fund \$156.40, totaling \$7,887.56. Motion was made and second to pay all claims with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.

There was no other Township business needed to be addressed at this time motion was made and second to adjourn with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich, and Brent Ost voting aye, motion carried. 8:45 pm

THESE MINUTES ARE UNOFFICIAL UNTIL READ, APPROVED AND SIGNED AT THE NEXT SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING.

April 2012

	GENERAL	RD/BRIDGE	FIRE	PARK
7467 Laverne Kalpin	\$80.00			
7468 Theresa Olson	\$150.00			
7469 LV Store	\$25.20			
7470 LV Aux.	\$50.00			
7471 LV Firemen's Relief			\$1,000.00	
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7473 Cenex			\$253.59	
7474 Hill's Auto Extracation			\$120.00	
7475 RBS Excavating		\$2,538.30		
7476 HiWay Amaco				\$156.40
7477 Andy's Auto Repair			\$146.62	
7478 IRS	\$415.69			
7479 Chris Mitchell	\$70.00			
7480 Waste Mgt.	\$103.45			
7481 Parview Properties	\$192.50			
7482 Echo Press	\$144.38			
7483 Independent	\$154.00			
7484 Runestone	\$169.00			
7485 Gardonville	\$72.07			
7486 Synergy Graphics	\$25.56			
7487 Burnell Krohnfeldt	\$38.68			
7488 Vernis Ziegelmann Jr	\$173.82			
7489 Mike Jeppeson	\$25.00			
7490 Tim Lind	\$83.30			
TOTAL	\$1,972.64	\$2,538.30	\$3,220.21	\$156.40