

LEAF VALLEY TOWNSHIP

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CHAIR, Wade Nibbe called the May 14, 2015 Township monthly meeting to order @ 7:00 pm with Supervisors Dale Diedrich, Brent Ost, Treasurer Barb Guenther, Fire Chief Brad Ruckheim, Road Engineer Richard Vogt, Clerk Pam Cuperus and 20 visitors also present. (All visitors signed sheet & will be included in binder w/minutes.)

CLERK read the minutes of the April 09, 2015 meeting. Corrections made to delete Basswood Shores Ln from Spring Lk. Rd. project and to note that it was suggested to make the tarring project a north section and a south section project; basically 2 different projects. Motion was made and second with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich, and Brent Ost voting aye to accept corrected minutes which include the Board of Re-Organization. No other discussion motion carried. Motion was made and second by Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich, and Brent Ost to accept as prepared the minutes of the Board of Review held @ LV Hall on April 21, 2015, no further discussion motion carried.

TREASURER gave the financial report for month of May 2015. On April 13, 2015 Treasurer transferred \$5,000.00 from savings to checking; income received into township totaled \$962.48, savings account balance on 4/30/2015 was \$872,434.32 and checking account balance on 04/30/2015 was \$1,683.22. Motion was made and second to accept this report as prepared and given with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich, and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried. Treasurer starts completing checks for Board to review and sign.

Mel Bump shared information and gave presentation he has obtained since April meeting with regards to the project of tarring Spring Lake. There are still many unanswered questions and concerns with this project but those attending gave the Board impression this project is one that would be beneficial to all residents in Leaf Valley, year round and summer residents and with public access being used by many sportsmen this project needs all attention the Board can give and look into. All agreed this will not happen in 2015 but Mel and others are going to start with a petition from residents on said roads. It was discussed a feasibility study would also need to be done once said petition is gotten and since the road has deteriorated matting is going to be completed at the creek yet this summer. It was also agreed by everyone that this project needs to be completed by county specs being completed correctly the first time, that the cost of this project could well exceed \$500,000.00 and the Board is in total agreement this project is going to affect the entire Township and they do not want this project to be a financial burden to or on the Township; every consideration will be addressed and discussed

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before any decision is made. Motion was made and second with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye that the petition has to have 55% of residents on these roads in favor of project before the Board can continue with this project. Once this petition is completed then many other issues will be determined or decided on. It was suggested that Board may need to consider setting up for the township for all future tarring projects/roads a Road Maintenance Fund. This would need to be decided at a future Annual Meeting. No other discussion motion carried. Mel thanked Board on behalf of all residents he has worked with pertaining to this project and Board asked that all residents to please continue to attend Township meetings with all questions and concerns that this project needs to have OPEN COMMUNICATION with everyone and it will go smoothly

There were a several roads in township in very poor condition with all rain, the cul-de-sac at Schuelke Bh Rd and matting on Spring Lk Rd were also discussed. As soon as weather cooperates projects will be started and roads will get attention needed.

Brad informed township burning ban has been lifted. Brad and contractor from UpNorth Concrete discussed the project to be completed on south side of hall near the new wells and around the parking area, the fire department agreed to get this completed soon. Motion was made and second with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich, and Brent Ost voting aye to complete this phase of project now at/around the cost of \$15,000.00. The second phase of project which is repair of the fire truck drive-way will be completed in the future, motion carried. Truck payment will be completed June 22, 2015. Wade will check with REA if there is any financial aid available to assist with installation of civil defense siren for the township.

Brent is going to contact ETC Signs checking if/when new sign will be installed. Dale has agreed to visit with a Gardonville board member if there is any financial assistance available for addition onto the hall. They will up-date everyone at next meeting.

Treasurer had all claims and checks #8421 to #8432 prepared for Board to review and sign totaling \$8,132.96. The General Fund totaled \$5,641.20, Road/Bridge Fund totaled \$2,323.18, and Fire Fund totaled \$80.27. Motion was made and second to accept and pay all claims with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich, and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.

There was no other township business needing to be addressed motion was made to adjourn with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich, and Brent Ost voting aye, motion carried.

THESE MINUTES ARE NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL READ, APPROVED AND SIGNED AT THE NEXT SCHEDULE MONTHLY MEETING.

MAY 2015

	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>RD/BRIDGE</u>	<u>FIRE</u>
8421 LV Store	\$51.30		
8422 P.P. Independent	\$139.80	\$76.00	
8423 Echo Press	\$77.44	\$66.38	
8424 RBS Excavating		\$2,129.50	
8425 Runestone	\$133.19		
8426 Gardonville	\$80.77		
8427 LV Auxiallry	\$50.00		
8428 BetterWare Comp.	\$157.50		
8429 Do. Co. Assessor	\$5,002.50		
8430 Jim/Judys			\$24.31
8431 Granite Electric			\$64.00
8432 Gappa Oil			\$80.27