## **LEAF VALLEY TOWNSHIP**

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**CHAIR,** Wade Nibbe called the June 11, 2015 Township monthly meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisors Dale Diedrich, Brent Ost, Treasurer Barb Guenther, Clerk Pam Cuperus, Road Maintenance Engineer Richard Vogt, Fire Chief Brad Ruckheim and several Leaf Valley township residents present.

**CLERK** read the minutes of the May 14, 2015 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.

**TREASURER** gave the financial report for the month of June 2015. There was income totaling \$175.00, treasurer transferred \$7,000.00 form savings to checking. The savings account balance on May 30, 2015 was \$865,442.18, checking account was \$1,362.74 and CD @ BlackRidge Bank remains @ \$12,672.60 (Fire Fund). Motion was made and second to accept these reports as prepared and given with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried. At this time the Treasurer presented Board the invoice from UpNorth Concrete. The project on south side and around well has been completed and before payment it must be decided which fund or funds payment should be made from. Fire Chief and fire department recommended 80% should be paid from Fire Fund and 20% from General Fund. Motion was made and second to pay this invoice 80% from Fire Fund and 20% from General with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no further discussion motion carried. Treasurer started to prepare checks for Board to review and sign.

Mel Bump presented Board with the petition that was taken since the May meeting with 67% of signatures signing in favor of tarring project, 35% without an opinion till more information is presented, and 19 not in favor of project. Motion was made to accept this petition as presented with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, motion carried. There followed lengthy discussion what is the next step Township needs to do to continue with this project. Questions/concerns were addressed from some regarding explanation to residents about project suggesting many are not clear about several concerns, when or if there is vote how many votes each tax payer and spouse will get. The cost of feasibility study and all other added expenses that Township will be additionally burden with will be assessed to residents on these said roads. There will be special hearings or meetings that will be posted, published and made available for all residents in Township to attend. Sandy Dittberner mentioned she is going to get signatures from residents in the Leaf Valley Township that are not in favor of this

project. She was told if she wants to do this that is her choice but the finale vote will be residents on said roads and the Leaf Valley Board and again Board is not making any decisions until all information is available and hearings with residents have been had. At this time 2 residents from Little Ida Bh. Rd. inquired about that road being tarred. They were reminded that LV residents on this road are in middle of Ida Township and Carlos Township so all residents and 3 Townships would have to work together to complete the entire road all at same time. It is not out of question but to start with meetings with all residents and other townships. They were encouraged to continue to attend monthly meetings to keep abreast how Spring Lake Rd project progresses. Board thanked all residents again for all work and to continue to attend meetings as more information will be obtained.

**Brad Ruckheim** discussed the cost of new siren for the Township over \$16,000.00 without electrical and other specifics needed and that at this time there is no specific grant available in county for this project. There may be other options for this project and he is going to continue to check them out, electrician is coming to fixed/up-date the lights in basement. Board discussed with Brad if there is an addition made to hall-north side, 40'x30', a few details that would be helpful for fire department.

There was discussion if roads are ready for chloride, RBS will contact Dale as soon as roads are ready and Dale will contact Fergus Pump so work can be completed. Dale will contact Merridith Smith regarding the cul-de-sac on her property. When the Supervisors go to Summer Short Course they will order road signs that are needed throughout township.

Weed tour will be Sunday, June 14, 2015 @ 7:30 a.m., notice was posted.

**TREASURER** had all claims prepared and ready for Board to review and sign; #8433 to #8454, including the fire truck payment, totaling \$43,280.26. General Fund totaled \$6205.18, Road/Bridge Fund totaled \$12,504.94, Fire Fund totaled \$24,453.94 and Park Fund totaled \$116.20. 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 needing to be addressed motion was made to adjourn with Wade Nibbe, Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, motion carried. 8:50

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

## **JUNE 2015**

	GENERAL	RD/BRIDGE	FIRE	PARK
8433 Pam Cuperus	\$701.92			
8434 Barb Guenther	\$390.82			
8435 Dale Diedrich	\$456.24			
8436 Brent Ost	\$454.74			
8437 Wade Nibbe	\$533.71			
8438 L.V. Aux.	\$50.00			
8439 Jim's Wholesale	\$108.90			
8440 Jon Moore	\$200.00			
8441 Gardonville	\$80.77			
8442 Runestone Elec.	\$162.81			
8443 Waste Management	\$108.55			
8444 ETC Signs/Apparel	\$184.75			
8445 Central Rest.	\$223.97			
8446 RBS Excavating		\$12,212.94		
8447 Fergusson Brothers			\$137.44	
8448 Fire Safety			\$595.50	
8449 Gappa Oil			\$50.00	
8450 Leon Cuperus				\$15.52
8451 Troy Dittberner				\$100.68
8452 UpNorth Concrete	\$2,600.00		\$10,400.00	
8453 Dale Diedrich	\$60.00			
8454 MAT	\$180.00			
USDA/RD			\$13,271.00	

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