

LEAF VALLEY TOWNSHIP

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CHAIR, Dale Diedrich called the November 10, 2016 monthly meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisors Brent Ost and Keith Schultz, Treasurer Barb Guenther, Clerk Pam Cuperus, Road Maintenance Engineer Richard Vogt and visitors also present. Jeff Stabnow arrived after meeting was called to order.

CLERK read the minutes of the October 13, 2016 monthly meeting. With the spelling correction and clearing up issue of culverts and approaches motion was made and second with Dale Diedrich, Brent Ost and Keith Schultz voting aye to accept minutes, no further discussion motion carried.

Supervisors had opportunity to read the minutes of the October 15, 2016 Special Meeting, motion was made and second to accept the minutes as written with Dale Diedrich, Brent Ost and Keith Schultz voting aye, no further discussion. Clerk informed Board attorney had also reviewed minutes and found information was correct, motion carried.

Clerk read the minutes of the Public Hearing held on October 15, 2016. Motion was made and second to accept the minutes of the Public Hearing as prepared with Dale Diedrich, Brent Ost and Keith Schultz voting aye, no other discussion motion carried.

TREASURER gave the financial report since the October 2016 monthly meeting. Treasurer transferred \$46,000.00 from savings to checking, CD @ BlackRidge Bank is valued @ \$12,709.29 (F.F.), checking account balance on 11/01/2016 was \$1,272.08 and ALL FUNDS balance on 11/01/2016 was \$682,837.48; income received into township totaled \$20,303.76. Motion was made and second to accept this report with Dale Diedrich, Brent Ost and Keith Schultz voting aye, no further discussion motion carried. Treasurer continued to prepare checks for Board to review and sign.

Visitors reminded Board that the shoulders along several areas of Schuelke Bh Rd and Spring Lk Rd are still in need of gravel before winter conditions won't allow for application to be completed. They also inquired about signs needed for sharp turns on Spring Lk Rd, comment was made that there are many construction drivers driving very fast so a suggested a chevron sign will be installed. Dale will order all signs needed so they can be installed before winter conditions. RBS asked if Fire department could clean out the culvert on Miltona W. Rd. before weather conditions change. The Board asked if RBS could fill in and blade Mums Rd. before

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winter conditions. Jeff Stabnow and Board discussed the final payment that will be made to Central Specialties for the tarring projects. Dale will contact Meridith Smith MacKenzie and talk again with her about the cul-de-sac being partially on her property. It was discussed with RBS the situation can be easily corrected in the spring.

The Board discussed and reviewed road maintenance policy or an excessive use policy that was prepared by Joe Wagner regarding the Leaf Valley Township gravel roads that will be used in the future for his cattle lot expansion. The Board was in total agreement that this is first for township and before any agreements are signed Leaf Valley Township needs to prepare an excessive use policy for all of Leaf Valley gravel roads. It was reviewed what the township's expenses have been over several years for all gravel roads and comparing the policy cost estimates of Joe Wagners policy. A policy will be prepared or completed and it will be address at the next meeting held for this cattle lot expansion. This policy will also be one that the township can use for any future road situations.

The Board discussed the concerns that Jack Lelwica asked the Board to address and change regarding contracts the township has had in past with contractors. It was agreed that the township gets quotes from contractors, this has worked for years and there have been NO PROBLEMS so they will continue to work this way, as long as it works why change things.

Clerk had 2017 fire contracts prepared for Effington and Ida townships they will be sent.

At this time building permits were reviewed and Treasurer had all checks prepared and ready for Board to review and sign. Checks #8753 to #8773 totaling \$103,245.48; General Fund totaled \$21,212.21, Road/Bridge Fund totaled \$55,524.97, Fire Fund totaled \$25,925.59 and Park Fund totaled \$582.71. Motion was made and second to accept and pay all claims with Dale Diedrich, Brent Ost and Keith Schultz voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.

There was no other township business needing to be addressed motion was made and second to adjourn with Dale Diedrich, Brent Ost and Keith Schultz voting aye, motion carried. 8:30 p.m.

**THESE MINUTES WHERE READ, APPROVED, AND SIGNED AT THE
DECEMBER 08, 2016 MONTHLY MEETING.**

NOVEMBER 2016

	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>RD/BRG</u>	<u>FIRE</u>	<u>PARK</u>
8753 Pam Cuperus	\$1,847.00			
8754 Barb Guenther	\$1,154.37			
8755 Caroline Schultz	\$74.30			
8756 Leon Schultz	\$50.30			
8757 Marvelle Rolfe	\$64.60			
8758 Rod Rolfe	\$145.55			
8759 Koeps Septic	\$85.00			
8760 HiWay Amaco	\$209.35		\$209.34	
	\$693.08			
8761 Runestone Elec.	\$137.21			
8762 Forum Comm.	\$25.81			
8763 Jim's Wholesale	\$91.80			
8764 Gardonville	\$84.19			
8765 RBS Excavating		\$21,536.46		
8766 OtterTail Power				\$32.71
8767 UpNorth Concrete			\$25,606.25	
8768 MSFD Assc.			\$110.00	
8769 Leon Cuperus				\$550.00
8770 Erin Guenther	\$75.00			
8771 L.V. Township		\$3,831.00		
8772 B. H. Builders	\$16,474.65			
8773 Central Specialties		\$30,157.51		