

LEAF VALLEY TOWNSHIP

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CLERK, called the March 14, 2017 Annual Meeting to order @ 8:20 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisors Dale Diedrich, Brent Ost and Keith Schultz, Treasurer Barb Guenther and about 20 residents attended.

Clerk asked if there was a volunteer for MODERATOR for the meeting. There were no volunteers, Brent Ost nominated Dale Diedrich and Brad Ruckheim seconded the motion. Clerk asked for more nominations, 3 times, with no other nominations motion was made by Brent Ost second by Brad Ruckheim to cease nominations. Dale Diedrich will moderate meeting with a unanimous vote, all were in favor and motion carried.

Dale asked that all follow along on the printouts available for the meeting.

CLERK read the minutes of the March 08, 2016 Annual Meeting. Motion was made by Bruce Campbell second by Lucrazia Campbell to accept those minutes as prepared and read, all were in favor and motion carried.

DALE reviewed with everyone the printout of the financial report. He explained in detail the cost of the tarring project, expense of the addition to the town hall and basement fire department, he asked if there were any questions or concerns pertaining to this report as prepared. Lucrazia Campbell asked if it could be discussed now regarding the need of chloride application on some or all gravel roads in township. Bruce Campbell made motion for the township to apply and pay for chloride application in the township, second by Lucrazia Campbell. She presented to Board several reasons why chloride application should be done on gravel roads in the township. All residents on Little Ida Bh. Rd are strongly supporting the chloride application. Dale gave estimated cost of 100 feet of chloride application in 2016, and then it was \$72.00. It was mentioned that the township has the funds so why can't township apply and pay for this project on gravel roads. Dale asked residents to vote by show of hands those in favor of chloride application, 8 hands; those opposed 10 hands, motion failed. Lucrazia mentioned how many voted not in favor lived on tar roads. Dale asked again if there were any questions or concerns regarding the financial report. Motion was made by Josh Waldorf second by Leon Cuperus to accept the financial report/statement as printed and reviewed; all were in favor motion carried.

At this time Dale reviewed the General Fund and explained why the Board has proposed to lower the General Fund for 2018 to \$70,000.00-earmarking \$10,000.00 into Hall Maintenance Fund. Motion was made by Joe Wussow to set 2018 General Fund Levy @ \$70,000.00, earmarking \$10,000.00 into Hall Maintenance Fund second by Bruce Campbell; short discussion followed and after all voting in favor motion carried.

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Dale reviewed the Road/Bridge Fund and explained why this fund is proposed to remain @ \$130,000.00 for 2018. Motion was made by Marvin Thoennes and second by Brad Ruckheim to keep the levy @ \$130,000.00 for 2018. It was mentioned there were many projects completed this past year but there are still couple roads in need of culverts and lastly weather conditions in spring and winter could make a difference in expenses. Vote was taken and motion carried to set levy @ \$130,000.00 for 2018 Road/Bridge Fund.

The Fire Department and Board are proposing to increase the 2018 Fire Fund Levy to \$25,000.00. Motion was made by Brad Ruckheim second by Marvin Thoeness to set the 2018 Fire Fund @ \$25,000.00; all were in favor motion carried. Motion was made by Brad Ruckheim second by Roger Dittberner to put in Firemen's Relief Fund \$100.00 per firemen all were in favor motion carried.

Board received a letter of information from the Parkers Prairie Swimming Pool Committee asking if township would make a donation to this project. A motion was made by Bruce Campbell second by Bruce Springer to NOT donate to this project all were favor motion carried.

The Town Hall Comparison report was reviewed and discussed and with no other questions or concerns for Board the election results were read.

There were a total of 83 ballots cast in the 2017 elections

SUPERVISOR- 3 year term	BRENT OST-79 BLANK – 3 WRITE-IN -1
SUPERVISOR-1 year term	KEITH SCHULTZ – 71 BRUCE CAMPBELL – 12
TREASURER – 2 year term	BARB GUENTHER – 79 BLANK – 4

There was no other township business needing to be addressed motion was made by Harold Guenther second by Leon Cuperus to adjourn, all were in favor motion carried 9:15 p.m.

**THESE MINUTES WERE READ, APPROVED AND SIGNED AT
THE 2018 ANNUAL MEETING ON MARCH 13, 2018.**

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