

Leaf Valley Township

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Chair, Dale Diedrich called the November 13, 2025 scheduled township monthly meeting to order at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisors Brent Ost and Bob Hanson, Treasurer Issy Szech, and Clerk present at meeting. Other guests in attendance were Don Kalpin, Mike Doebling, Pam Cuperus, and Richard Vogt.

Minutes: A motion was made and second to accept the October 9, 2025 minutes with Dale, Brent, and Bob voting aye, no discussion, motion carried.

Treasurer gave the financial report/statement for Oct 31, 2025. Interest earned at Bremer for month \$824.08, checking account balance \$13,352.47, balance in General, Rd/Bridge and Fire Funds \$557,536.42, FR Fund \$8,392.25, Park Fund \$4,192.66, Hall Maint \$29,642.66 and FR Trk Fund \$25,000.00. Treasurer did not make any transfers from Checking or Savings this month. There was income into township totaling \$2,236.66. Motion was made and second to accept this report as prepared and read with Dale, Brent and Bob voting aye, motion carried. Treasurer continued to prepare checks for Board.

Don Kalpin present for Fire Department. Trucks have been running well. Donny talked about the Fire Dept's future goals looking into the next few years. The Fire Dept would like to get the board's approval to start looking into replacing the Dept's air packs. Donny presented 1 estimate from Ultimate Safety Concepts totaling \$9856 per unit without contract and \$7645 per unit with contract. The Fire dept is just starting the process of getting estimates and would like to start moving forward with this replacement process starting next year, replacing 2-3 packs per year for the next three years. Board would like the Fire Dept to move forward, come up with a plan and an overall goal to spread out over the next 3 years to not deplete the Fire Fund

Mike Doebling present for the First Responders. Mike stated everything has been running smooth. They have had 4-5 calls this last month.

Road Engineer Richard Vogt present from RBS. Richard stated roads are looking good. Board discussed brush and tree removal for the upcoming winter months on township roads. Richard also stated the Dittberner's Crk Project is on hold for this year. Richard made a suggestion to consider leveling out the second hill on Dittberner's Crk Rd when project takes place for public safety reasons.

Pam Cuperus presents to discuss recommendations for the townhall. Pam would like us to look into placing sound proofing panels on the walls at the townhall. Pam stated with renting the townhall out she often gets complaints on the noise factor at the hall. Pam also stated that it

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has been over 5 years since we discussed/raised the rental rate of the townhall. Currently the townhall rental is \$400 for non-residents and \$350 for residents of Leaf Valley Township. The board will look into cost estimates for the panels and get rental comparison from other townhalls in the area. Board will discuss townhall panels and rental fee at a future meeting.

In new business Brent Stated the Miltona Lakes Association has pledged \$2500 for the First Responders Truck Fund. They will issue the check when we are ready to purchase new truck.

At this time Board reviewed Licensing, Building permits and all other township correspondence.

There was no other township business needing to be addressed motion was made and second to adjourn with Dale, Brent and Bob voting aye, motion carried. 7:52pm

THESE MINUTES ARE NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL READ, APPROVED AND SIGNED AT THE SCHEDULED

DECEMBER MONTHLY TOWNSHIP MEETING.

Witness *Libby Johnson*

Clerk *Trista Johnson*

Witness *Brent Ost*

Witness *Robert Hansen*

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Ck #		General	Rd & Bridge	Fire Dept	First Resp	Park	1st Res Trk	Townhall
	Beginning Balance	370,182.18	132,582.71	54,771.53	8392.25	4192.66	25000	29,642.66
	Expenses							
2394	REA	361.73						
2395	Gardonville	54.75		9.95		84.63		
2393	Haburn CPA	150						
2382	Bettin Pest Control	155.69						
2383	RBS		3366			300		
2384	Alexandria Tech and Comm College			2226.8				
2385	Ultimate Safety Concepts Inc			1191.5				
2386	MN State Fire Dept Assoc			130				
2387	Mike Doehling				945.72			
2388	Ottertail Power Company					54.61		
2389	Lakes Area Property Manag					240		
2392	Issy Szech	1102.21						
2391	Barb Guenther	438.66						
2390	Trista Johnson	2049.77						
	Total Expenses	4312.81	3366	3558.25	945.72	679.24	0	0
	Income	1977.66	824.08		259			
	Ending Balance	367,847.03	130,040.79	51,213.28	7705.53	3,513.42	25,000.00	29,642.66

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