

# LEAF VALLEY TOWNSHIP

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**CHAIR**, Brent Ost called the April 09, 2015 Township monthly meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisors Dale Diedrich and Wade Nibbe, Treasurer Barb Guenther, Fire Chief Brad Ruckheim, Road Maintenance Engineer Richard Vogt, visitor Mel Bump and Clerk Pam Cuperus were present.

**CLERK** read the minutes of the March 12, 2015 monthly meeting. Motion was made and second to accept as prepared and read these minutes with Brent Ost, Dale Diedrich and Wade Nibbe voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.

**TREASURER** gave the financial report since the March 2015 meeting. On March 17, 2015 \$29,000.00 was transferred from checking to savings; savings account had balance of \$877,427.13 on 03/31/2015; checking account had balance of \$1,502.80 on 03/31/2015. There was income of \$2,512.60 into Township for month of April 2015. Motion was made and second to accept these reports as prepared and given with Brent Ost, Dale Diedrich and Wade Nibbe voting aye, no further discussion motion carried. Treasurer started to prepare all checks for Board to review and sign.

Mel Bump and Board discussed at length the project (s) of tarring Spring Lake Rd, Schuelke Bh Rd and Schuelke Bh Ln and Basswood Shores Ln. Mel up-dated Board on all information he has obtained and worked on extensively regarding this project and asked several questions pertaining to cost, tax increase, parcel cost-several residents have more than one parcel on these township roads verse one tax assessment per every resident. There is still considerably amount of information both Board and residents need to investigate before any decisions can or will be made. All agreed to continue to bring all questions and concerns and information to monthly meetings to discuss all matters. Dale voiced his concern that he wants more than a small percentage, 38%, of residents on these affected roads to show their support because the entire Township is going to pay for this project and he feels this could be a burden to and on the township. Wade said he travels these roads a lot and would love to have them tarred BUT agreed with Dale and Brent's opinion our Township does NOT need history like CLRSD project and all problems to repeat itself. The Board has discussed with MAT attorney a few concerns and will continue to use MAT with all or any more questions. The cost of these projects could be up to or exceed \$400,000.00. Mel will continue to meet with residents as need and will contact Supervisors as there is need.

There are a couple Township gravel roads that are showing some need of repairs and gravel at the spring road tour these roads will be inspected.

Brad and Board discussed one estimate that was received to make improvements on south side of hall around the new wells and parking area and the entire drive-way approach onto County #5 that is used by the fire trucks. They all agreed to discuss this project at length when more bids are received. There is also the problem of the parking lot around the well being used daily and if/when the fire department has call and this parking lot has cars in the way of the fire trucks. This will be addressed as soon as the repairs and improvements are being completed deciding what will be most effective; if posting signs, using tape, and contacting the sheriff's department.

Motion was made and second for Wade Nibbe to be Chair for the 2015/2016 term with Brent Ost and Dale Diedrich voting aye. No further discussion motion carried. Motion was made and second for Dale Diedrich to be Vice-Chair for the 2015/2016 term with Brent Ost and Wade Nibbe voting aye. No further discussion motion carried.

The Board discussed and made motions on all items on the Board of Re-Organization.

Brent discussed with Board the one bid that was received for a storage room, 26x40 onto hall. The Board hopes to receive a more bids then a decision will be made what or if anything is going to be completed. A motion was made and second to have a new sign above the east side of hall get made, painted, and installed by ETC Signs with Brent Ost, Dale Diedrich and Wade Nibbe voting aye, no further discussion motion carried.

Board set date for Spring Road Tour to be immediately following the Board of Review on April 21, 2015. Clerk will post notice.

**Treasurer** had checks #8406 to #8420 prepared for review and to be signed totaling \$7,515.18. The General Fund totaled \$2,173.95, Road/Bridge Fund totaled \$3,247.23 and Fire Fund totaled \$2,094.00. Motion was made and second to accept and pay all claims with Brent Ost, Dale Diedrich and Wade Nibbe voting aye. Clerk will inform 2 individuals that a certificate of liability is needed from them before they do any more work for township. Motion carried.

There was no other township business needing to be addressed a motion was made to adjourn with Brent Ost, Dale Diedrich and Wade Nibbe voting aye, motion carried. 9:00 p.m.

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

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**APRIL 2015**

	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>ROAD/BRIDGE</u>	<u>FIRE</u>
8406 Do. Co. Aud/Treas.	\$26.00		
8407 IRS	\$366.43		
8408 H & R Block	\$75.00		
8409 L.V. Aux.	\$150.00		
8410 Runestone Elec.	\$176.34		
8411 Independent	\$107.20		
8412 Gardonville	\$84.72		
8413 W. Magt.	\$210.76		
8414 Do. Co. Aud/Treas.		\$19.48	
8415 RBS Exc.		\$3,152.75	
8416 Stuart Wussow		\$75.00	
8417 Fire Safety USA			\$1,435.00
8418 Ultimate Safety			\$659.00
8419 Parview Properties	\$177.50		
8420 Jessie Bodell	\$800.00		