

LEAF VALLEY TOWNSHIP

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CLERK, Pam Cuperus called the March 13, 2018 Annual Meeting to order @ 8:15 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance, there were about 20 residents in attendance plus Board members of Leaf Valley township.

CLERK asked for volunteer from residents to moderate the Annual Meeting. Brent Ost nominated Dale Diedrich; clerk asked 3 more times for any other volunteers. No other volunteers or motions. Brent Ost made motion for nominations to cease and Dale Diedrich for moderator Caroline Schultz second the motion, with no other nominations or volunteer's motion carried.

CLERK read the minutes of the March 14, 2017 Annual Meeting. Motion was made by Leon Schultz second by Don Kalpin to accept those minutes as prepared and read and with no other discussion motion carried.

Dale asked that all review as he discussed the financial printouts available of the 2017 township business. There were no questions or concerns motion was made by Bruce Campbell second by Scott Korkowski to accept as prepared and reviewed the financial statement for 2017, no further discussion motion carried.

At this time the 2019 township Levies were reviewed and discussed:
The 2017 levy spent/used in **General Fund** was \$41,184.71 and the 2018 General Fund Levy is set @ \$70,000.00, the Board is proposing the 2019 General Fund be set @ \$50,000.00. Dale reviewed and answered questions regarding the expenses and income of the 2017 General Fund. Motion was made by Leon Schultz second by Dale Vollmers to accept the Boards' recommendation of \$50,000.00 for 2019. No other discussion motion carried. Discussion followed regarding the Hall Maintenance Fund. Motion was made by Bruce Springer second by Don Kalpin to earmark \$10,000.00 of the \$50,000.00 General Fund to go into **Hall Maintenance Fund** in 2019. No further discussion motion carried.

At this time all were asked to review the 2017 **Road/Bridge Fund** income and expense report: The Road/Bridge Fund in 2017 spent/used \$216,867.25. Dale broke down and explained what expenses were from the Spring Lake Road tarring projects and what other township road expenses had been. The Road/Bridge Fund levy for 2018 is set @ \$130,000.00. The Boards' recommendation is to increase this fund to \$140,000.00 for 2019. Dale explained to residents what road projects need to be repaired, culverts that need to be installed and different

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township roads that are need of attention. Motion was made by Dale Vollmers second by Bruce Springer to increase the 2019 Road/Bridge Fund to \$140,000.00. No other discussion motion carried. Bruce Campbell Thanked Board for the chloride application that was completed in spring of 2017 on Little Ida Bh. Rd and all other graveled township roads, it was noted the cost of doing chloride was over \$11,000.00. RBS Excavating noted that road restrictions will be posted in the next week.

The **Fire Fund** expenses and income were reviewed. In 2017 fire department spent \$73,013.89 and the 2018 levy was set @ \$25,000.00. The fire department and Board are in agreement leaving the 2019 Fire Fund levy @ \$25,000.00. Motion was made by Leon Schultz second by Don Kalpin to set the 2019 Fire Fund @ \$25,000.00. No other discussion motion carried. Scott Korkowski, Fire Chief, made motion and second by Bruce Springer that \$100.00 for each fireman in department, 17, be made to **Leaf Valley Firemen's Relief Assc.** It was noted that Chad Guenther, firemen's relief secretary, is checking into making changes/improvements in that program for the fire dept. He will continue to keep board up to date of all or any changes. Motion carried.

Mike Doehling, President of First Responders, brought residents up to date to the changes in First Responder organization. The organization has 7 new members, had 25 calls in 2017 and already 10 calls in 2018. The Leaf Valley Sportsmen made a \$20,000.00 donation, in Park Fund, for the First Responders for training and books and for all radios/pagers needed for all members. Fire Dept. and First Responders encourage any and all interested individuals interested in joining either organization contact Scott or Mike. The First Responders rely solely on donations for all of organizations expenses.

There followed a brief discussion regarding the electric grill in basement and cost of changes if they are made. This will be decided by the Leaf Valley Auxiliary.

Dale asked if there were any questions regarding the Town Hall Comparison report. At this time Dale gave results of election: There were 40 ballots cast.

SUPERVISOR-3 year term	Keith Schultz	39 votes
	Write-in	1
CLERK-2 year term	Pam Cuperus	34
	Blank	6

At this time with no other township business needing to be addressed motion was made by Don Kalpin second by Bruce Springer to adjourn, motion carried. 9:00 p.m.

**THESE MINUTES ARE NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL READ, APPROVED AND SIGNED AT THE 2019 ANNUAL MEETING
ON MARCH 12, 2019.**

BOARD OF CANVASS MEETS FOLLOWING ANNUAL MEETING

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