

# LEAF VALLEY TOWNSHIP

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**VICE-CHAIR**, DALE Diedrich called the January 14, 2016 township monthly meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Brent Ost, Treasurer Barb Guenther, Clerk Pam Cuperus, Road Maintenance Engineer and Fire Chief and several residents were also present.

**CLERK** read the minutes of the December 10, 2015 monthly meeting and after explanation of wording motion was made and second to accept minutes with correction with Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no discussion followed and motion carried.

**TREASURER** gave the financial report/statement. Savings account balance 12/31/2015 had balance of \$977,494.20, checking account 12/31/2015 balance was \$1,093.13, there was \$112,000.00 transferred from checking to savings. The CD @ BlackRidge Bank is valued @ \$12,672.60 (Fire Fund) and there was a total of \$6,117.59 income for township in January 2016. Motion was made and second to accept this report as prepared and given with Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, no discussion motion carried. Treasurer started to prepare checks to be reviewed and signed.

The Spring Lake Rd residents present had a few concerns regarding the progress the Board has made obtaining information to pave/tar said road. Board addressed these concerns best they could and there is chance an informational meeting may be held prior to the March 2016 Annual Meeting. Board knows that this issue will be topic of discussion at the March Annual Meeting but they would like to visit with residents to get these residents feelings on this huge project. Board is also hoping to get an appointment with township attorney prior to all/any meetings. Whatever is decided all will be notified. There has NOT been any decision made as to how or who assessments will be and that seems to be the question everyone is asking. It has been mentioned even suggested that Township has savings account balance that could pay for this project. The savings account is NOT per say a savings account. It is the FUNDS the township has in the books; General, Road/Bridge, Fire, Park, Hall Maintenance and Fire Truck. Each Fund is a separate Fund. This project the Road/Bridge Fund would be accountable, not any other fund, so as Board tried to explain they need to know who, and how much everyone is going to be asset for this project before Board agrees to vote on this project. All agreed to keep doors of communication open.

Road Maintenance Engineer reported that most roads in township are in very good condition there are a couple that will get some salt/sand because slippery.

Brad informed Board that the new step-van purchased is at his resident and that some of interior work has been started. The painting of the exterior is going to have to be put on hold because the cost of painting and lettering. Signs will be put up by the well so people will NOT park and block drive-way when fire trucks need to fill. All ceiling lights where fire trucks park have been installed and the exterior light have also been repaired and installed. Motion was made and second with Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye for Lennes Brothers to do electrical up-grade needed in kitchen and bar area and electrical boxes. No further discussion motion carried. Clerk will contact Lennes Brothers Electrical.

At this time motion was made and second with Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye to appoint Keith Schulz to fill Wade Nibbes vacant position. This will be held by Keith till March 2017 elections. No other volunteers or anyone interested and Keith accepting appointment motion carried. This will be effective January 15, 2016. Motion was made by Brent Ost for Dale Diedrich to be the **CHAIR** for remainder of term, April 2016, no further discussion motion carried. Motion was made by Dale Diedrich for Brent Ost to be **VICE-CHAIR** for remainder of term, April 2016, no other discussion motion carried.

At this time **TREASURER** had all claims prepared and ready for Board to approve and sign. Claims #8546 to #8568 totaled \$10,130.01. The General Fund totaled \$3,792.09, Road/Bridge totaled \$2,454.13, Fire Fund totaled \$3,739.86 and Park Fund totaled \$143.93. Motion was made and second to pay all claims with Dale Diedrich, Brent Ost voting aye, no questions motion carried.

With no other township business needing to be addressed motion was made and second to adjourn with Dale Diedrich and Brent Ost voting aye, motion carried. 8:15 p.m.

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

**JANUARY 2016**

	<b><u>GENERAL</u></b>	<b><u>RD/BRIDGE</u></b>	<b><u>FIRE</u></b>	<b><u>PARK</u></b>
8546 Klimek Bros.				\$23.19
8547 HiWay Amaco				\$120.74
8548 RBS Excavating		\$2,381.00		
8549 M&R Signs		\$73.13		
8550 Runestone Elec.	\$202.67			
8551 Lennes Bros.	\$560.00		\$1,834.97	
8552 Shannon Smith	\$150.00			
8553 Chad Rubner	\$150.00			
8554 L.V. Aux.	\$50.00			
8555 Jim's Wholesale	\$96.80			
8556 Do.Co.Assc. Twps.	\$584.96			
8557 Gardonville	\$81.61			
8558 Brent Ost	\$32.21			
8559 Echo Press	\$81.13			
8560 IRS	\$723.68			
8561 H&R Block	\$185.00			
8562 Parview Prop.	\$792.05			
8563 Do Co Auditor/Treas.	\$101.98			
8564 M&R Signs			\$79.55	
8565 Fortwengler			\$198.79	
8566 J.Z. Fire Extg.			\$48.00	
8567 Jim & Judy's			\$112.05	
8568 Med. Compass			\$1,407.50	