

St. Lawrence Township  
Monthly Meeting  
March 12, 2026

**Officer's Present**

Chairman Ted Kornder, Supervisor Ron Symanitz, Treasurer Amy Mullen and Clerk Ramona Bischof and Supervisor Les Quatmann by zoom video.

**Officers Absent**

None

**Called to Order**

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ted Kornder. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Ted read a statement about how the meeting will be run.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the monthly meeting on February 12, 2026, were reviewed. Motion by Ron and seconded by Les to approve the minutes. No further discussion. Motion carried by all.

**Treasurer's Report**

Amy Mullen presented the Treasurer's report. She stated that in the month of February we had income of \$674.92. Balance of \$3,168.98 in checking and \$435,188.71 in savings. Also, have three certificates of deposit with Old National Bank with balances of \$128,561.33, \$52,928.10 and \$22,983.09. Reimbursable expenses \$7,940.37. Total in banks and reimbursed expenses \$650,770.58. Amy went over budget items and overage. Overages include payroll expenses and legal fees. Office supplies and utilities were lower. Road and bridge was over budget due to snow. Amy also updated the reimbursable road and bridge account that was reduced to \$7,940.37 per last month's information. Levy shortage from last year was answered by Scott County and is in the file. Will get further details from Scott County at the Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting. Renewed the \$52,928.10 CD that came due and added the annexation funds from the Quatmann annexation to this CD. Did a 13-month CD at 3.3%. Motion by Ron and seconded by Les to approve. No further discussion. Motion carried by all.

**Bills to be paid March 12, 2026:**

Ted Kornder	Sal/Mtgs. Feb.	\$ 850.00
Les Quatmann	Sal/Mtgs. Feb.	\$ 625.00
Ron Symanitz	Sal/Mtgs. Feb.	\$ 550.00
Ron Symanitz	Reimbursed Expenses	\$ 100.00
Amy Mullen	Sal/Mtgs. Feb.	\$ 950.00
Amy Mullen	Reimbursed Expenses	\$ 721.47
Ramona Bischof	Sal/Mtgs. Feb.	\$1,150.00
Ramona Bischof	Reimbursed Expenses	\$ 20.78
MVEC	Electric	\$ 46.50
Taxes	Monthly Taxes	\$ 316.95
PERA	Monthly PERA	\$ 206.25
FMLA Family Leave	Family Leave Tax	\$ 18.25
Dvorak Excavating	Plowing, sand, salt and blade	

	Roads	\$2,505.00
Brothers Pest Mgmt	Pest Control	\$ 75.00
City of Belle Plaine	First half first services payment	\$12,151.69
Richard Emmerich	Annual Town Hall Rent	\$ 12.00
Henderson Independent	Legal Notices	\$ 96.00

Motion by Ron and seconded by Ted to approve bills to be paid. No further discussion. Motion carried by all.

**Permits:**

Mas Tec Communications Group/Frontier R-O-W Utility Permit – Sonny Miller from Frontier was here to represent Frontier which was purchased by Verizon. Possible extension going to happen if Jordan allows it. They have a preliminary redesign and hoping to get into construction this spring. They would keep us in the loop as to when it will be starting and how long it would take, etc. Motion by Ron and seconded by Les to approve. No further discussion. Motion carried by all.

Arvig Enterprises – R-O-W Utility Permit and Scott County R-O-W Utility Permit – – Devin Allen from Arvig was present to represent Arvig for a R-O-W permit. He is requesting two permits. One for Arvig up to the fairgrounds and then one for 2,700 new underground to be put in along 195<sup>th</sup> and going up Fairview Lane to the cell phone tower there. This will be all underground. Motion by Les and seconded by Ted to approve. No further discussion. Motion carried by all.

City of Jordan/Bolton & Menk – R-O-W Utility Permit or Easement Permit – Mike Waltman from Bolton & Menk was requesting guidance on how the process works to get a permit for right-of-way permit. Ron stated that he has reviewed the information given and he motion for denial. Further discussion ensued. Ted stated that in looking at this there needs to be some understanding between the city and the township and a transportation plan needs to be looked at, etc. They want to know what the city is planning to do and we need an understanding and the City has taken over the zoning of portions of our township. Also, your master plan for 195<sup>th</sup> dictates that they go all the way to the fairgrounds to get out. He said its time to sit down and reevaluate with the city. Ron said, for example, 195<sup>th</sup> should be taken over by 195<sup>th</sup> according to the annexation agreement because you are using a lot of our roads. There is already a portion on 195<sup>th</sup> that the city annexed in and this road should then be serviced by the city. Also, Ted stated coming into the township and eminent domaining property to put roads and sewer lines in, etc. should have had Scott County and the township involved. Scott County and Met Council don't even know what you are doing. Ted stated that he is speaking as a St. Lawrence Township Supervisor and is an elected official of the township. He feels the city is pushing us out of the way and not communicating at all with the township. We try to be good neighbors and but the city has not been. Les had no comment. Mike said he will set up a meeting and coordinate from there. Motion was not seconded. Motion failed.

**New Business:**

Scott County Permit Report for February 2026 – 0 permits – for informational purposes.

Scott County Sheriff's Report for February 2026 – nothing was out of the ordinary. Officer Nowak was present and said that he did a little research on the J-turn and there have not been any accidents in that area in the last 3 months. Ron asked about the pickup by the candy store and if it was legal to be there.

Officer Nowak did say it is legal but they may need to talk to Robert Wagner about it as it is an eye-sore. He may have a conversation with Robert about it soon.

St. Lawrence Code Enforcement Report – No update

Scott County – 2026 Town Road Distribution – We get this every year but it is always a little different. In our system, it's been called gravel tax and gas tax. We put it under road use tax.

Scott County Groundwater Data Request – We have no data here.

MN Association of Townships membership cards passed out to board members.

MN Association of Townships – February 2026 Newsletter – for informational purposes.

March PlanIt Newsblast – for informational purposes.

Township Legal Seminars hosted by Couri & Ruppe Law Office – for informational purposes.

**Old Business:**

City of Jordan update – No updates for city.

Jordan Fire Township Meeting – March 26, 2026 at 5 p.m. at St. Lawrence Township Hall – Helena, Sand Creek, St. Lawrence and some of Belle Plaine township.

City of Belle Plaine update – no updates for city.

Belle Plaine Community Fire Protective Association Board Resolution 2026-02 and Ordinances 2026-1 and 2026-2 – Board reviewed. There would be 7 members on the board from the townships. There is a treasurer and secretary in place already and were appointed. Motion by Ron to approve Resolution No. 2026-2 Resolution Approving Joint Powers Agreement and Appointing Township Official to the Belle Plaine Community Fire Protective Association Board, seconded by Les. No further discussion. Motion carried by all. Motion by Ron and seconded by Les to approve Ordinance No 2026-1 Ordinance Establishing Charges for Emergency Response Services with costs of 0. No further discussion. Motion carried by all.

MN DOT Update – no update.

Road Maintenance Report – Todd said he did some sanding the other day as the roads were icy. Did some road grading also. Holes are coming on the blacktop and will need some patching. The roads other than this are fairly good. 218<sup>th</sup> may need some rock. Ted asked if Todd is on track to get the rest of Park Blvd. and he said yes it is. Said he will cut the stuff on top of the hill so it is straight. Also have to take the stubs off of the tree trunks.

**Notices/Public Comments:**

Karen asked about the ordinance and she asked if depending on how the ordinance is written, if we say the fee to the resident is zero, then will the fire department bill you directly or will the association bill

the township? Mona to reach out to Jean McDermond to get this question answered. Karen asked if none of our elected officials are in that fire district, does that mean we don't have an official on the board. It was clarified that it is an elected official not someone in the fire district. Tom Umphress thanked the board for standing up to the City of Jordan on the things they are trying to do in our township. He said the key point is to work together and hopefully we will see some productive meetings now.

SCALE Meeting – Friday, March 13, 2026 at 7:30 a.m. at Link Event Center or Zoom

Jordan Fire Meeting – Thursday, March 26, 2026 at 5 p.m. at St. Lawrence Township Hall

Next general meeting – Thursday, April 9, 2026 at 7 p.m.

Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting – Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 7 p.m.

Motion by Ron and seconded by Les to adjourn the meeting. No further discussion. Motion carried by all. The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Submitted by: Ramona Bischof Approved by: Ted Kornder  
Ramona Bischof, Clerk Ted Kornder, Chairman