

St. Lawrence Township  
Monthly Meeting  
July 10, 2025

**Officer's Present**

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

**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 June 12, 2025, were reviewed. Motion by Ron and seconded by Ted 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 June we had income of \$160,787.29. Balance of \$3,558.22 in checking and \$542,426.08 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. Total in banks \$750,456.82. Amy went over budget items and overage. We received our first half settlement from Scott County. Motion by Ron and seconded by Les to approve. No further discussion. Motion carried by all.

**Bills to be paid July 10, 2025:**

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| Ted Kornder        | Sal/Mtgs. June                                  | \$ 700.00  |
| Les Quatmann       | Sal/Mtgs. June                                  | \$ 400.00  |
| Ron Symanitz       | Sal/Mtgs. June                                  | \$ 550.00  |
| Amy Mullen         | Sal/Mtgs. June                                  | \$ 800.00  |
| Ramona Bischof     | Sal/Mtgs. June                                  | \$1,075.00 |
| Ramona Bischof     | Reimbursed Expenses                             | \$ 12.00   |
| MVEC               | Electric  | \$ 45.01   |
| Taxes              | Monthly Taxes                                   | \$ 269.67  |
| PERA               | Monthly PERA                                    | \$ 176.25  |
| Dvorak Excavating  | Blade Roads, cut tree, chipper<br>And side dump | \$7,483.00 |
| MATIT              | Insurance                                       | \$1,987.00 |
| Herman's Landscape | Wood dumping fee                                | 400.00     |
| Brothers Pest Mgmt | Pest Control                                    | \$ 75.00   |
| Ag Partners        | LP Summer Fill                                  | \$ 145.42  |

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

**Permits:**

Metrofibernet – Right-of-way easement was signed on July 1, 2025. Board approved by phone on June 26, 2025.

Robert Wagner was present at the last meeting to request a permit to grow the candy store. They have been limited to that because of lack of land. They started working on a project several years ago to facilitate an avenue to acquire land from US Fish & Wildlife. They have been at it for about 10 years, and they own a piece of property that US Fish & Wildlife would highly desire to make an exchange for land by them at the candy store. Robert is currently trying to go and get information from government agencies to determine if there is support for this. Discussion ensued about septic systems, the road, etc. Ron said he welcomes businesses, but he doesn't want additional township expenses. Ted stated before any decisions were made, they would want Les to be involved so would talk about this at the next meeting. Ted and Ron are both in favor of this and if Les is in favor, they will sign the letter stating they are in favor of the land exchange. The property that he would be exchanging for would be to the west of his current property. Since we have no copy of what Robert would like signed, Les said we should move on but would be in favor of it as well as the other board members stated last month. This is tabled until Robert comes back with sample of what he would like signed.

**New Business:**

Scott County Permit Report for June 2025 – 7 permits

Scott County Sheriff's Report for June 2025 – Officer Nowak was present and said nothing was out of the ordinary. Summer calls are up as usual, and high accidents are down. 38 total calls in St. Lawrence for the month with most of them being on the highway. The fair board called the Sheriff's office, and they will have an extra patrol on during the fair to help with traffic since 190<sup>th</sup> St will be closed.

St. Lawrence Code Enforcement Report – No report.

**Old Business:**

City of Jordan update:

Delaware overpass update/railroad update – Ribbon cutting ceremony is July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30 p.m. Ceremony will take place on HWY 169 and CH 59 bridge. Ted asked if the interchange would be open for the fair and Les stated that yes it would be open. Les said that the fair board worked with Scott County and the City of Jordan to get signs to show how to get to the fair.

190<sup>th</sup> Street update – The road is torn up and closed.

City of Jordan Fire Budget – Greg Pekarna from the Jordan Fire Dept. sent over the budget and proposed payments that all will make for new fire truck and improvements. Ted and Ron were at the fire meeting on June 25<sup>th</sup>. Ron said in asking financing questions, the finance guy could not answer them. Ron has no problem with the budget, and he doesn't feel like they are wasting anything, but he just wants to make sure everyone pays their fair share.

Brenda Orlow called and would like us to look at putting some Children at Play signs at 218<sup>th</sup> and Shelby as she said there are many more children in this area now and a lot of cars that drive down these roads fast. Brenda was present and said she lives at the top of the hill at the very end of 218<sup>th</sup> St. There are completely new families that have turned over in these homes. They had a gathering in the neighborhood, and it was pretty much said that there are 25 children plus a day care in this area now and it is very hilly, etc. Also, there are about 25 grandchildren of others that live there. Ted said that to put speed limit signs on this road because it is a gravel road, a speed study would need to be done, etc. Officer Nowak said that a deputy recently moved onto Shelby Lane, and he will ask him to watch over this area a little more. Ted will request some children at play signs. Brenda said the culvert at the top of the hill may also have hole in it. Todd said that there are trees there that bang up his truck so that may be why there are water issues. Ron also said that Jeff Bjick needs a sign by his house that was hit and needs to be replaced.

City of Belle Plaine update – No updates.

MN DOT Update – No updates.

Noxious Weed update – Spraying was completed but Les stated he does not feel they got everything.

Road Maintenance Report – Todd will be doing ditch mowing in the next couple of weeks. He said they are working on the cul-de-sac on 214<sup>th</sup> Street. Ted asked about 185<sup>th</sup> Street and how often he is grading it. Todd said that he will grade it every week and more often, if need be, such as if it rains. Todd said if you want to put another coat of Dustcoating on to bring the dust down, a light layer of  $\frac{3}{4}$  asphalt could be put down to hold the road together.

#### **Notices/Public Comments:**

Tom Umphress said that the dirt that got put on by him was all dirt and no rock. Les said that he knows that, and other townships had issues with this also.

Jeff Bjick asked what the white flags are for on 185<sup>th</sup> on the edge of the road. Board was not sure but thought they were probably locate flags.

HWY 169 AND CH 59 Interchange Project Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – July 22, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. – ceremony will take place on the bridge.

Ron Symanitz asked about what the policy is on a tree that falls down because John Sable's fell down and it is in the township. Les stated that the majority is in our right-of-way, so the policy is that the township pays for it. Because the trunk is rotted and only 1/3 of it fell down, the remainder needs to come down.

Night to Reunite 2025 – Tuesday, August 5, 2025 – this annual event is dedicated to strengthening neighborhood collaboration between residents and law enforcement.

Next monthly meeting – Thursday, August 14, 2025, at 7 p.m.

Motion by Ted and seconded by Les to adjourn the meeting. No further discussion. Motion carried by all. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



Submitted by: Ramona Bischof  
Ramona Bischof, Clerk

Approved by: Ted Kornder  
Ted Kornder, Chairman