

St. Lawrence Township
Monthly Meeting
August 13, 2026

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.

Minutes

The minutes of the monthly meeting of July 9, 2026, were reviewed for the regular monthly meeting and the meeting with the City of Jordan on July 29, 2026. 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 July we had income of \$599.65. Balance of \$2,826.86 in checking and \$517,310.36 in savings. Also, have three certificates of deposit with Old National Bank with balances of \$133,718.69, \$69,425.70 and \$23,905.08. Total in banks \$747,186.69. Amy went over budget item overages and underages. Amy also mentioned that QuickBooks will be deactivated at the end of 2027. Probably should change to QuickBooks online at the beginning of the calendar year. Amy will also be out of town for the October meeting so she will remote in. Motion by Les and seconded by Ron to approve. No further discussion. Motion carried by all.

Bills to be paid August 13, 2026:

Ted Kornder	Sal/Mtgs. July	\$ 775.00
Les Quatmann	Sal/Mtgs. July	\$ 600.00
Ron Symanitz	Sal/Mtgs. July	\$ 675.00
Amy Mullen	Sal/Mtgs. July	\$1,025.00
Amy Mullen	Reimbursed Expenses	\$ 17.14
Ramona Bischof	Sal/Mtgs. July	\$1,475.00
Ramona Bischof	Reimbursed Expenses	\$ 221.50
MVEC	Electric	\$ 55.17
Taxes	Monthly Taxes	\$ 349.60
PERA	Monthly PERA	\$ 227.50
FMLA Family Leave	Family Leave Tax	\$ 40.04
Dvorak Excavating	Blading roads and shoulders	\$4,833.57
Brothers Pests Mgmt	Pest Control	\$ 75.00
Stonebrooke	Engineering costs/meetings	\$ 979.04
Bargen, Inc.	Repairs to roads	\$25,852.00
Husker Outdoors	Pre-payment for Landscaping	\$4,000.00
Les Quatmann	Tire recycling reimbursement	\$ 806.70

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

Permits:

Robert Wagner – Bob and his wife Clayton, were present to talk about a variance request for the apple farm and a building permit review. This project was first brought to the board in 2018, and they backed away from it because of lack of parking. They brought it back again in 2023 and backed away because they were potentially going to move the store but that did not pan out. They are now back with the exact same project. It is an addition on the east side of the existing store. It will be like a chalet. No commercial kitchen, restrooms or any plumbing at all. There will be air conditioning. It will be 100% retail. The issue with the project is that it comes in on Scott County's wetland setback. The setback from wetland is a number unique to each county. The state of MN DNR lists 75' for any building and then leaves it up to the local government unit to give variances as they see fit or make their own ordinances as they see fit. Scott County's zoning ordinance lists 75' so the same as the MN DNR so they will have to go through the board of adjustments as this setback would go from 0 to 35'. Ted stated they would need a signoff from the LGU, which is the township and then going forward to Scott County. This addition would add about 9,000 sq. ft. to the total building. There are about 300 parking spaces currently and the required about is 135 but it will go up but they will still be above 60-70% of what is required. Bob stated the issue has been getting people out of the parking lot not the number of lots. Now with the road the way it is, it should be easier to get out. They have an application for the actual structure and they also have a township recommendation form that we would not have an issue with the setback provided it meets all other requirements. He stated they would be meeting with Greg Wagner next week if everything goes well. Motion by Les and seconded by Ron to approve the recommendation for variance. No further discussion. Motion carried by all. Motion by Les and seconded by Ron to approve building permit for retail store of approximate 60' x 150' per county codes and setbacks/variances. No further discussion. Motion carried by all.

Butch and Dona Kisor were present to present a concept plan for a commercial property at the old Hot Spot property. The plan is to have a modular home sale site. First discussion was about where the driveway would go to bring in bigger stuff with the traffic. Dona stated that someone mentioned something about getting the road vacated. Ted did not feel that it would be in the best interest of anyone at this time. Ted stated in looking at the plan, they have them boxed down to a pretty tight spot. The office would be either a modular building or something smaller. There is a septic system there but it would need to be checked out for compliance or put in a holding tank as there will only be 4 employees there. Looking to put up to 4 units there at a time. There is also a well there, but it was damaged. Ted believes it was repaired and should be a functioning well. It was through Hartman's. Power would be on the county road as all power was removed from the area when the property was cleared. There is a DRT meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 19th at 9 a.m. at Scott County. Because there has not been a DRT meeting yet, the board decided that nothing needs to be done at this time. The board will be at the DRT meeting.

New Business:

Scott County Permit Report for July 2026 – 2 permit – for informational purposes.

Scott County Sheriff's Report for July 2026 – nothing was out of the ordinary – little longer for July due to the fair at the end of July. Officer Nowak was present and stated most of the calls were from the week of the fair. There were about 8 more calls than last year's during fair week.

St. Lawrence Code Enforcement Report – Received e-mail this afternoon. The one case we had open is now closed as the corrective action was taken.

Scott County Parcel Counts and Values by Type and City/Township – for informational purposes only.

August PlanIt NewsBlast – for informational purposes only.

Old Business:

DNR Grant for Park Blvd. update – Had a meeting with Scott County. The county is taking the lead on this. Amy found plans from that road and Matt Stohdahl has them. If we can make a deal with the railroad for the crossing, we can save quite a bit of money. Would look to start this project summer of 2027.

City of Jordan update – no updates since our meeting. Mona sent the proposed OAA to Ruppe to make recommendations. Will reach out as have not heard from him.

Jordan Fire update – no update.

City of Belle Plaine update – Clean-up Day is in September

Belle Plaine Community Fire update – no update.

MN DOT Update – Still waiting for business signs. In the metro but Jordan does not qualify for business sign as just a bit too far out. Adam Jessen is working on.

Road Maintenance Report – Mona stated that Lana has asked for dust control in Sioux Vista. Amy also heard from another neighbor in East Sioux Vista. Ted and Les stated that they have been down there and if they drive slow, there is no dust. The board decided not to do any dust coating this year. The board did not do it earlier this year because there was so much rain that it would have been slimy and now it's too late in the year to do it. If we get rain, Todd will grade but with the dry weather it really doesn't pay to grade.

Greg Zahler culvert – Todd stated that they worked on this culvert today. Stated that a woman on a 4-wheeler was there questioning who authorized this, etc. She also had questions about another issue at the end of the road, etc. Culvert is fixed.

Candy store road discussion – This was brought up at the meeting with Scott County. Ted questioned Adam about the county owning the right of way of the road but the township has the authority to take care of the road. Adam said we had an agreement and that will not change. Adam was also going to talk to Robert about the truck on the road, the signs, etc.

Ted and Ron went to the District 4 meeting. There is a list of priorities that they will be lobbying at the capital including signage and annexations.

Notices/Public Comments:

Next general meeting – Thursday, September 10, 2026 at 7 p.m. at township hall

Continuation of annual meeting – Thursday, September 10, 2026 at 7:30 p.m. at township hall

Motion by Ted and seconded by Les to adjourn the meeting. No further discussion. Motion carried by all. The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

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