

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting Minutes – July 9, 2025
Location: Liberty Town Hall, Bemidji, MN

Call to Order- Sup. Oestreich called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call Attendance:

Supervisors: Karl Oestreich via zoom, John Gilbertson, Steve Reznicek

Clerk: Colleen Oestreich via zoom; Deputy Clerk: Kristi Larson

Treasurer: Peggy Curtis

Others: Travis Kelm, Willard Kelm, Jay Stubbe, Jason Stubbe, Danica Kelm

Clerk's Report – 6/11/25 Regular Business Meeting Minutes – Motion by Supervisor, Gilbertson second by Supervisor, Reznicek to accept minutes. M/C

Autopay Options – Board discussed pros/cons of using autopay for monthly Beltrami Electric and PERA bills. Motion by Supervisor Oestreich, second by Supervisor Gilbertson to set up autopay for Beltrami Electric. M/C Motion by Sup. Oestreich, second by Sup. Reznicek to set up electronic pay for PERA. M/C

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer, Peggy Curtis presented the report. Liberty Twp received approximately \$93K from Beltrami County for the 1st half taxes. Motion by Sup. Reznicek, second by Sup. Oestreich to accept report as written and subject to future audit. M/C.

Partnership work – Schultz invoice is still outstanding but the work is completed. Sup. Gilbertson will follow-up for payment.

Werner Road – Liberty Twp received the recorded deed for easement work completed by neighboring township.

Road Report – roads are in good condition. Graveling has been delayed due to contractor's other commitments.

Board discussed the winter maintenance contract timeline. Plan to post request for quotes in September with decision in October.

Board discussed the damage assessment from the June storm. Liberty twp. had minimal damage.

Board discussed mowing. Contractor, Kelm Grading agreed to start mowing.

Approve and Pay Bills – Motion by Sup. Reznicek, second by Sup. Gilbertson to pay claims 5402 – 5410, totaling \$3,352.56. M/C

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Mail & Upcoming Meeting;

- Northern Twp Hearing – 7/15/25 @ Northern Town Hall at 1:30 PM
- Liberty Twp Regular Monthly Meeting – 8/13/25 with zoom participation by Sup. Oestreich & Clerk, Oestreich at Palmer, AK library.
- MAT District 12 Regional Meeting – 8/26/25; Eckles Community Center
- MAT Annual Conference – 12/11-13/25; St Cloud, MN
- BATO Meeting – 7/29/25; Blackduck
- BRFA – 7/24/25; Northern Town Hall

Adjourn – Motion by Sup. Reznicek, second by Sup. Oestreich to adjourn at 7:15 PM. M/C

Colleen Oestreich, Clerk

Karl Oestreich, Chairman