

Dead Lake Township
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Dead Lake Township Monthly Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2025

At 6:00 p.m., the meeting of Dead Lake Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Supervisor Chairperson Kirchenwitz.

Present: Justin Kirchenwitz, Dave Ellingson, Duane Ard, Tammy Trosdahl and Dawn Lueders.

There were no visitors in the audience. (see attached sheet)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Monthly Meeting Minutes: Supervisors reviewed the July 2025 minutes. A motion was made by Ard and seconded by Ellingson to approve the July 2025 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report: Trosdahl reported the figures for July 2025 as follows:

General Fund	\$ 53,684.72
Road & Bridge Fund	\$ 83,295.20
Township Equipment Fund	\$ 24,643.41
Fire Fund	\$ 4,849.91
EMS Fund	\$ 22,592.34
Verizon Lease Payment	\$ 552.45
2022 Western Star Plow Truck	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 189,618.03

Kirchenwitz made a motion to approve the July 2025 Financial Report. The second was made by Ellingson. Motion passed unanimously. Trosdahl reported that a total of \$1,653.01 was received during July 2025.

Bills for August: Lueders presented the bills for August 2025 to the Supervisors. After reviewing the bills, a motion was made by Kirchenwitz and seconded by Ellingson to approve the bills as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Perham EMS: Becca Huebsch reached out to Kirchenwitz and wanted a list of what Dead Lake would like to see from Perham EMS to get Dead Lake Township to opt back in to the Joint Powers Board. Kirchenwitz stated that we have until the end of December to decide. The Supervisors discussed that they have asked for several things in the past and have never gotten the information they requested from Perham EMS. The Supervisors unanimously decided that they will not make a list to give to Huebsch of what Dead Lake would like to opt back in to the Joint Powers Board. Ard stated that he felt that if the Joint Powers decided to go to a taxing district, it would probably be about two or three years before there would be a taxing district would take effect.

NEW BUSINESS

Fire Extinguisher Inspections: Lueders needs call Summit Fire Protection to schedule the annual fire extinguishers inspection. Kirchenwitz said he would be available Friday afternoons.

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Approach request for Susan Mehl on 370th St & Murray Road: Susan Mehl spoke with Ard about an approach they would like to put in on their land on 370th Street & Murray Road. Mehl stated they are not in a big rush but want to get it done before hunting season. Ard went and looked at the site and stated it would need an approach. Ard motioned and Ellingson seconded that the approach for Mehl be approved at this time with the stipulation that as soon as the Township has received the paperwork, Mehl's can proceed with the project. Motion carried unanimously.

ATV tearing up road: Kirchenwitz received a call about a camper on 385th Avenue that has an ATV with it that has been tearing up the road. Several people along the road have told the camper person to quit tearing up the road. The resident asked what could be done. Kirchenwitz stated that he told the resident if pictures and an address can be given to Kirchenwitz, the township can send a letter to the person. If the person does not stop after that, then the township can turn it over to the Sheriff's Office.

Chloride Discussion: Kirchenwitz brought up that he had asked a resident on 385th Avenue how the chloride was holding up. The resident told Kirchenwitz that it had potholes in it but now it was smooth cause it was graded. Ard said he had talked to Knaust, the grader operator and he had not graded that road. Ard also stated that he did not feel any of the chloride roads held up well this year. Ard feels the chloride all disappeared by mid-July and thinks the board should consider waiting until later to apply chloride. Ard stated that some are waiting until first week of July to apply chloride. Ellingson stated that he hasn't received any complaints. Ellingson said to travel a road that has not had chloride applied and you can see the difference. Kirchenwitz is getting a quote from Corbin Excavating out of Sebeka and see what their price is.

Plow Trucks: Kirchenwitz asked Ellingson to plan for both plow trucks to be gone over before winter. Kirchenwitz asked if after October 1st would work. There should not be much with the new plow truck. It should be ready to go. The old red plow truck has some issues with the hydraulics to look at, and Kirchenwitz said he would ask Don Wlaz to come up with a list of what he has to be fixed on the truck. Ard asked if the belly blade could be removed since it seems to cause problems. Both the other Supervisors agree to remove the belly blade.

Grader repairs: Ellingson brought up that the front tires of the grader are wearing on the outside. It isn't an urgent thing but the tires should be rotated and looked at as to why they are wearing like that. Also, the fender should be replaced on the grader as it is partially broke. Ellingson will see when it can be taken in and repaired.

Calendar Items: Minnesota Association of Townships District 9 meeting is on August 21st at the Cormorant Community Center at 5:30pm.


Housekeeping Items: There were no housekeeping items.

The mail received was laid out for the Supervisors to look at if they wanted.

The next regular Board Meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on September 8th, 2025, at the Dead Lake Township Hall.

Having no further Township business to conduct, Kirchenwitz motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ellingson seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:31p.m.

Respectfully submitted:


Dawn Lueders, Clerk

Approved:


Justin Kirchenwitz, Chairperson

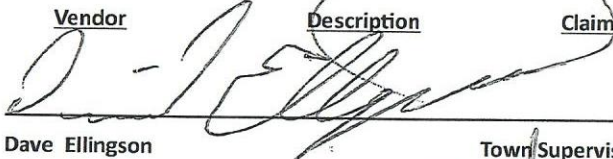
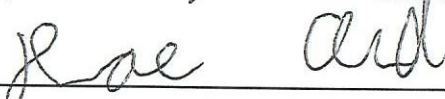
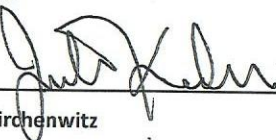
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09/03/2025	Arvig	Internet monthly fee	9979	\$86.95	100-49141-325-36	General Gov't Building and Plant Parking Lots	\$86.95
09/05/2025	United Community Bank	loan payment for September	9985	\$1,000.00	285-41501-602-285-41501-612-	Financial Administration Financial Administration	\$932.98 \$67.02
09/08/2025	MATIT	extra premium for adding new plow truck	9986	\$3.00	100-49242-151-	Insurance: Commerical Package/Officer Bond	\$3.00
09/08/2025	City of Dent	Second half of Fire Contract 2025	9987	\$7,800.00	225-42210-310-	Fire Administration	\$7,800.00
09/08/2025	Carr's Tree Service Inc	2025 Ditch spraying in Township	9988	\$5,005.00	201-43101-405-109	Highways, Streets & Roadways	\$5,005.00
09/08/2025	Jakes's Welding, LLC	mowing town hall lawn & Dead Lake Access	9989	\$210.00	100-41940-409-46	General Government Buildings and Plant	\$160.00
09/08/2025	Lakes Area Truck Repair Inc	change oil & filer & grease grader; adjust fan belts; replace broken window	9990	\$1,147.06	201-43101-404-117	Highways, Streets & Roadways	\$50.00
09/08/2025	Lake Region Electric Coop	Electric Bill - August 2025	9991	\$59.77	201-43126-221-31	Road and Bridge Equipment	\$1,147.06
09/08/2025	Postmaster	PO Box rent for one year unitl 9/30/2026	9992	\$78.00	100-41940-381-49	General Government Buildings and Plant	\$59.77
					100-41901-418-	Other General Government	\$78.00

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09/08/2025	Duane E Ard	Mileage reimbursement - 40 miles @.70	9993	\$28.00			
					201-41110-331-34	Council/Town Board	\$28.00
09/08/2025	Dawn M Lueders	Mileage reimbursement - 30 miles @.70	9994	\$21.00			
					100-41425-331-34	Clerk	\$21.00
09/08/2025	Tammy M Trosdahl	Mileage reimbursement - 56 miles @.70	9995	\$39.20			
					100-41510-331-34	Treasurer	\$39.20
09/08/2025	Internal Revenue Service	Federal Withholding September 2025	9996	\$493.74			
					100-41950-174-	Tax Payments	\$159.56
					100-41950-175-	Tax Payments	\$37.31
					100-41950-122-	Tax Payments	\$159.56
					100-41950-135-	Tax Payments	\$37.31
					100-41950-171-	Tax Payments	\$100.00
09/08/2025	Minnesota Revenue	State Withholding tax September 2025	9997	\$67.74			
					100-41950-172-	Tax Payments	\$67.74
09/08/2025	PERA	Withholding for September PERA 2025	9998	\$270.70			
					100-41950-121-	Tax Payments	\$145.02
					100-41950-173-	Tax Payments	\$125.68
Total For Selected Claims				\$16,310.16			\$16,310.16

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						9/8/25	
	Duane E Ard		Town Supervisor			Date	
						9/8/25	
	Justin W Kirchenwitz		Town Supervisor			Date	