

Board Meeting Minutes  
Maine Prairie Township  
December 9, 2025

Attendees: Chair Lochen, Supervisor Loewen, Supervisor Kuechle, Zoning Administrator Froehling, Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Joe Hendricks, Luci Snowden, John and Tamilee Adolph.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Lochen with the pledge to the flag.

Motion by Zoning Administrator Froehling/Supervisor Kuechle to approve the agenda with the addition of Garbage account to New Business. All in favor, motion carried.

Planning and Zoning meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Board meeting reconvened at 7:18 p.m.

Motion by Supervisor Loewen/Chair Lochen to approve the November 12, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Eight (8) claims were presented for approval and payment for the month of November totaling \$19,378.36. Receipts for November totaled \$128,774.82, which included \$125,000.00 transfer from Investments to Checking. Motion by Supervisor Loewen/Chair Lochen to pay claims as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

**New Business:**

**Account for Garbage:** The Board discussed possible options for paying the disposal fee of garbage which Hendricks picks up in the ditches. Currently Hendricks pays for the disposal and bills us with their monthly invoice. Joe Hendricks said that they have to pay tax for the disposal, and the Township would be tax exempt. Supervisor Loewen suggested that a dumpster be put at Hendricks' pit which the Township would pay for. Joe will look into that, and further discussion will be held at the January meeting.

**Old Business:** None.

**Discussion items:**

**Paid Leave:** Clerk/Treasurer Nelson shared information about the new Paid Leave Policy imposed by the State Legislature that starts on January 1, 2026. The premium rate is .88% of covered wages. A maximum of .44% may be withheld from employees. Motion by Supervisor Kuechle/Chair Lochen that the full .88% premium be paid by the Township. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Supervisors Loewen/Kuechle to adjourn at 7:48 pm. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Nelson, Clerk/Treasurer