

## LEON TOWNSHIP– Town Board Meeting minutes – Mar 17, 2026 @ 7:30pm

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- Administer Oaths of Office –Matt Lyon and Sandy Hanson were administered their respective oaths of office.
- In attendance: Supervisors Marc Hernke, Matt Lyon, Deputy treasurer Tuesday Shaw, maintainer Dave Blastervold, clerk Sandy Hanson, Ron Shaw, County Commissioner Brad Anderson, Dave Kunert, Jim Bruening, Darren Anderson
- Chairman Lyon called meeting to order at 7:32 pm at Leon Town Hall.
- Planning Commission (PC) –March 12 meeting
  - Information sharing with neighboring Townships on Commercial Solar
  - Discussion on retail registration delegation for ACE Cannabis LLC and whether the Township can even take that on or want to. It really is a Board decision as to whether we would even want to take that on as we would need to adopt a Cannabis Ordinance.
  - Reviewed by Clerk:
    - Daniel Benson – 11817 360<sup>th</sup> St, CF; sec 13, Zoned Ag-2; 80 acr; approved Zoning Application to replace home; setbacks will be met; permitted
- Rock Quotes opened by the Board
  - A motion was moved by M.Lyon and seconded by M.Hernke to award both parts of our rock contract to Anderson Rock & Lime Inc. Motion carried.
- County Commissioner Brad Anderson discussed 5-yr plan for bridge projects; 2026 bridges will cost \$1.5 million with \$100,000 coming from the Townships and the rest from the County.
- Dust Control Quotes – see attached
  - A motion was moved by M.Hernke and seconded by M.Lyon to award Luhman Construction the Dust Control/Chloride contract. Motion carried.
- Noxious Weed Control Quotes – see attached
  - A motion was moved by M.Hernke and seconded by M.Lyon to award NorthStar Companies the 2026 Noxious weed control contract; motion carried.
- Dave Kunert/ACE Cannabis - retail registration; 2 more cannabis businesses received County approval prior to Mr Kunert’s final approval. While the County approved his grow & retail business, all 4 of the County’s retail registrations have been filled so they would not be able to issue a 5th retail registration. The Township could consider handling the retail registration themselves under their own authority. It would mean adopting a cannabis ordinance and finding out if our insurance would cover us. Tabled until the April meeting.
- Clerk’s minutes from Feb meeting were approved by motion from M.Lyon and a second from M.Hernke.
- Treasurer’s Report was given by Tuesday Shaw; we balanced to the bank.

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- Sheriff's Report was not included.
- Election Results – Supv: Matt Lyon re-elected for 3-yr term; Clerk Sandy Hanson re-elected for 2 yr term; 9 votes total for each.
- Letters to Quarries – will send out next month
- Report from Township Tuesday Meetings - none
- Spring Short Courses report – n/a
- Salaries & Rate Sheets: table till April
- Roads:
  - 357<sup>th</sup> St Way bridge; waiting on David's survey
- Maintainer's Report
  - Plowed snow; Matt & Dave both were out Sunday in the blizzard
  - Started grading when it was nice
  - Got the sideboards for the truck; will seal them
  - Lettering not yet on truck
  - Kevin White

No Action on Maintainer's Report

### Other Business

- Complaint about plowing off a mailbox; Clerk will respond to resident that while we make every effort to prevent damaging mailboxes, our Snow Removal Policy states that the Township shall not be held liable for damage to mailboxes.
- Recommendations from Annual Meeting: a motion was approved by motion moved by M,Hernke and a second by M.Lyon to give the following:
  - \$700 to Goodhue County Fair
  - \$700 to Cannon Valley Fair
- Gross payroll for March: \$8910.33

Bills were read and approved individually.

Adjourn @ 9.:28 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Hanson, clerk

Upcoming Meetings:

Apr 14, 7pm Planning Commission Meeting

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Apr 21, 7:30pm Town Board Meeting

Apr 30, 11am Local Board of Appeals & Equalization