

OFFICIAL MINUTES
BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING
 Tuesday, October 7, 2025
 BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP HALL
 25130 HICKORY BLVD., BELLE PLAINE, MN

Board Members Present:

Chairman Mark Schultz, Supervisor Steve Cox, Treasurer Myron Bratsch and Clerk Peggyann De Voto

Others Present:

Jeff Klehr, Allen Schmitz

- 1) **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schultz at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2) **APPROVALS:** A motion was made by Supervisor Cox to approve the September minutes, seconded by Chairman Schultz, all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Cox to approve the Treasurer’s report as presented, Chairman Schultz seconded, all in favor, motion carried, with the following balances:

Checking	\$ 4,267.56
Money Market	\$ 212,856.30
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 102,780.23
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 308,078.90
Total:	\$ 627,982.99

Receipts: **\$ 103.33**

Review and Approval of Claims for Payment:

Motion by Chairman Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Cox to approve claims for payment. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>Check</u>	<u>Individual/Business</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Amt.</u>
5430	Klehr Grading and Excavating	Grading Township Inv 4771	8,415.00
5431	Steyer Spraying and Weed	Township Ditch spraying	5,712.50
5432	BP Rural Fire Assoc	Second Half Invoice	49,441.25
5433	Myron Bratsch	Treasurer wages	1,371.40
5434	Peggy De Voto	Clerk wages	2,009.05
5435	Steve Cox	Supervisor Wages	938.57
5436	Mark Schultz	Supervisor wages	953.97
5437	Tony Kornder	Supervisor wages	924.57
5438	P.E.R.A.	D.C.P 5% retirement	693.00
5439	E.F.T.P.S.	IRS Tax Payroll	1,060.29
TOTAL CHECKS			\$ 71,519.61

3) **Walk-In Agenda Requests:**

- Allen Schmitz came to inform the Township Board that Belle Plaine Rural fire Association was contacted by the IRS informing them that all Associations are now required by law to file taxes. He explained that the Assoc has spoken to an attorney to see what was involved. He is going out to see all 7 Townships and informing them and asking for their feedback on if they should continue or dissolve and let the Townships handle the Contract with the City of Belle Plaine themselves. After some discussion the board said that they really did not want the Assoc to dissolve. There is a meeting on October 21st to decide how all 7 Townships want to proceed.

4) **Other Business:**

- MVEC sent a request for a permit for work on 270th. Chairman Schultz made a motion to approve the request. Supervisor Cox seconded, all in favor, motion passed.
- Clerk De Voto presented a 2025 Polling place grant application. It was discussed and decided that the upgrades needed to the building to make it more accessible would be minimal and Supervisor Cox will take a look at it and make the required upgrades to the doorways. It was decided to not pursue applying for the grant.

5) **Road Reports & Issues:**

- Chairman Schultz reported that he has picked up all of the dust coating flags.

6) **Permit Report:** Permit report was reviewed.

7) **Meetings Attended or Upcoming:**

- Scale meeting September 12 7:00 Supervisor Kornder attended
- Scaled Meeting October 10 7:00
- BP Rural fire October 21 6:00 at BOP fire hall
- BP City Budget meeting October 21 Afternoon 2-4?

8) **Motion to Adjourn:** Motion made by Supervisor Cox to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Chairman Schultz. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 8:15

Chairman: Mark Schultz

Minutes prepared by: Peggyann De Voto, Clerk