

**IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**  
**Tuesday, April 6, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Members present were Supervisor Ron Iott, Clerk Don Appleman, Treasurer Sherry Hilken and Trustees Elmer Bowman and Randy Stanifer.

**Public Comment:**

The meeting was opened for public comment. A resident asked for clarification as to the procedure for adoption of the Master Plan.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes of the March 2, 2010 Regular Township Board meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by S. Hilken and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried. The minutes of the Workshop Meeting held Monday March 29, 2010 at 4:30 PM were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by R. Stanifer and supported by S. Hilken. Motion carried.

**Reports:**

The Building Department Report was submitted by Building Inspector David Friend. A total of four (4) permits were issued in the month of March.

The Fire Department Report was submitted by Fire Chief Paul Metz. The Department ran 36 calls in the month of March. Chief Metz has received two (2) bids for the 1987 Grass Truck 24-7. Bid #1 was \$3,000 and bid #2 was \$3,535. The truck has 22,000 miles on it. A motion by R. Stanifer to list both 1987 fire trucks on ebay.com died for lack of support. A motion to accept the bid of \$3,535 for the 1987 Grass Truck 24-7 and list the other truck, a 1987 GMC Rescue on eBay was made by E. Bowman and supported by D. Appleman. Motion carried.

May 22, 2010 is Library Community Days and the Firemen's Association is planning a chicken broil and lunch to coincide with the activities of the Library Community Days. The Association will use the township parking lot section near Lewis Avenue for the chicken broil.

The bills were presented for payment by the Clerk. After review, a motion to pay the bills was made by S. Hilken and supported by R. Iott. A roll call vote was taken. All votes were yes.

There was no Treasurer's Report.

There was nothing to report from the Trustees.

Supervisor R. Iott informed Board Members that a resident at the end of Prairie Street North would like to annex to their property a small parcel that runs east from where Prairie Street dead ends. The parcel at one time was considered for an extension to Prairie Street.

Supervisor Iott also informed the Board Members that Don Link and Bob Hamilton from Mannik and Smith has looked at the retention ponds for the sewer system and will advise the

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**Reports: (cont)**

Board as to the best and most economical way to repair the banks of the ponds. There may be some low cost loans to be used to fund the project.

The Ida Library Report was submitted by Librarian Suzanne Krueger. 567 people used the computers in the month of March. The Library had 11 children's programs with 422 people in attendance and 12 adult programs with 89 people in attendance.

**New Business:**

Mike Dick from the Ida Farmers Co-op addressed the Board on a plan to route farm truck traffic during grain harvest through their property on Ida West Road, property ID# 08-003-042-00 south to the township property by the water tower and then east to their grain elevators on the east side of Lewis Avenue. Board members will take the plan under advisement and do some research regarding it.

A motion to renew the Township's contract with the Monroe County Library was made by D. Appleman and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

A motion to proclaim May as Motorcycle Awareness Month was made by R. Stanifer and supported by R. Iott. Motion carried.

Lawn care and lawn care contracts was discussed and then tabled until the May Township Board Meeting.

**Old Business:**

The Subdivision Control Ordinance was tabled until the May meeting.

A motion to submit the proposed Master Plan Draft to surrounding municipalities for their input was made by S. Hilken and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

A motion to pay expenses for the Treasurer to attend a Michigan Municipal Treasurer's Institute 3-year training seminar at a cost of \$907 per year was made by R. Stanifer and supported by D. Appleman. Motion carried.

Next month's Township Board Meeting will commence at 7:30 PM instead of 7:00 PM.

A motion to adjourn was made by S. Hilken and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Appleman  
Ida Township Clerk