

**IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES OF THE BUDGET HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday July 5, 2011**

**Public Hearing
2011-2012 Ida Township Budget**

The Budget Public Hearing was opened at 7:30 P.M. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Members present were Supervisor Ron Iott, Clerk Don Appleman, Treasurer Sherry Hilkins, Trustees Randy Stanifer and Elmer Bowman.

A motion to adjust the 2010-2011 General Fund Budget to transfer \$1,589.36 from Project Costs Roads to Streetlights, and transfer from the General Fund Budget to the Liquor Fund \$700.00 was made by R. Iott and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

The hearing was opened for public comment on the Proposed Budgets. There was no public comment. Board members briefly reviewed the Proposed Budgets. A motion to adopt the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year Budgets as presented was made by E. Bowman and supported by R. Iott. A roll call vote was taken with all votes being yes.

A motion to close the Budget Public Hearing was made by S. Hilkins and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

Regular Meeting

A motion to enter into the Regular Township Board Meeting was made by R. Iott and supported by S. Hilkins. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

The meeting was opened for public comment. There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the June 7, 2011 Regular Township Board Meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by R. Stanifer and supported by R. Iott. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented regarding Township Board Meeting times and places, Contracted Firms, Township Inspectors appointed at will, Financial Institutions, and Newspapers for Publication was made by S. Hilkins and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

Reports:

The Fire Department Report was submitted by Fire Chief Paul Metz. The Department ran thirty-seven (37) calls in the month of June. The firemen cleaned up the fallen tree limbs in the park and spread the new mulch in the playground area.

The bills were presented for payment by the Clerk. After review a motion to pay the bills was made by S. Hilkins and supported by R. Stanifer. A roll call vote was taken with all votes yes. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted by Treasurer Sherry Hilkins. Some discussion was held for the need to raise the streetlight assessment to keep up with the rising cost of electricity. After review a motion to accept the Report was made by R. Iott and supported by D. Appleman. Motion carried.

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The Trustees reported on the complaints they have received on the need for road repairs, painting the Township Office and Library Building and sidewalk repairs needed in front of the Fire Hall.

Supervisor R. Iott informed Board Members that he has received several letters regarding the growing and use of medical marijuana.

The Ida Branch Library Report stated the library has book clubs for adults and family reading in the month of July along with a cook book club to learn new recipes. New members are always welcome.

New Business:

A motion to approve an early withdrawal from the Township Pension Program by an employee was made by D. Appleman and supported by S. Hilken. Motion carried.

A motion to appoint Paul Metz as Ida Township Fire Chief for another two (2) year term beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2013 was made by E. Bowman and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

Old Business:

A motion to place another six (6) month moratorium on the growing and use of medical marijuana in the Township was made by R. Stanifer and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

Supervisor R. Iott informed Board Members that the Engineering Flow Monitoring Study done by Mannik & Smith on the Sewer Lagoons show a large infiltration of ground water entering into the system.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by R. Stanifer and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried. The meeting duly adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Appleman
Ida Township Clerk