

**IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday August 4th, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Members present were Supervisor Ron Iott, Clerk Don Appleman, and Trustee Randy Stanifer. Members absent were Treasurer Sherry Hilkens and Trustee Elmer Bowman.

Public Comment:

The meeting was opened for public comment. Some questions were raised on proposed park ordinance and what all it would pertain to. Another question was asked why the American Flag in front of the Township Hall has been left at half staff for so long. A resident asked about the use of the Community Room for one or two Saturdays for a wood lot project and what the cost would be.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the July 7, 2009 Township Board meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by R. Iott and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

Reports:

The Building Department report was submitted by Building Inspector David Friend. A total of 13 permits were issued in the month of July with no new home starts.

The Fire Department report was submitted by Fire Chief Paul Metz. The Department made 30 calls in the month of July. Chief Metz reported that he has 3 new applicants for Fire Department membership.

The bills were presented for payment by the Clerk. After review, a motion to pay the bills was made

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Reports: (cont.)

The Fire Department report was submitted by Fire Chief Paul Metz. The Department ran 32 calls in the month of June. Chief Metz informed the Township Board that the Department has applied for three grants. One for new turnout gear, one with FEMA for miscellaneous equipment and one for a new grass truck.

The bills were presented for payment by the Clerk. After review, a motion to pay the bills was offered by E. Bowman and supported by R. Stanifer. A roll call vote was conducted. All votes were yes.

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Treasurer Sherry Hilkens. After review, a motion to accept the report was offered by R. Iott and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

The Trustees informed the Board that the rescue truck stored in Norman Selfe's barn is in need of a new battery.

The Ida Branch Library report was submitted by Ida Librarian Suzanne Krueger. 6,272 books, music CD's, movies and other items were checked out in June of this year. Nearly a 20% increase over June of last year.

New Business:

A motion to reappoint Paul Metz as Fire Chief for another two (2) year term July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011 was offered by E. Bowman and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

A motion to allow a partial pension withdrawal for a member of the Township Pension Plan was offered by S. Hilkens and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

A motion to charge a cleaning fee of \$65.00 for all usages of the Community Room was offered by R. Stanifer and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

A motion to allow the Monroe County Drain Commission to use the Community Room for a drain hearing August 4th, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and pay only the \$65.00 cleaning fee was offered by R. Stanifer and supported by R. Iott. Motion carried.

A motion to grant a fireworks permit to Cornerstone Baptist Church for July 17th, 2009 was offered by S. Hilkens and supported by D. Appleman. Motion carried.

Action on the Subdivision Control Ordinance was tabled until the August Township Board meeting to give the Township Planners and Township Planning Commission time to review the changes to the ordinance.

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New Business: (cont.)

A motion to contract with Digital Perspective to provide computer services for one (1) year for the Ida Township office at a cost of \$364.00 a month up to 36 hours per year and include any required hardware or software up to \$1,200.00 and 24/7/365 server and internet connection monitoring was offered by S. Hilken and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

A proposed Park Ordinance was reviewed by the Board and tabled until the August Board meeting date.

Copy fees, FOIA procedures and Building Permit fees were discussed. A workshop meeting will be set for a date in July to discuss and work on these issues.

Appointment of a Planning Commission member was tabled until August Township Board meeting date.

A motion to compensate the Township Building Inspector \$25.00 per meeting when required to attend the Township Planning Commission meeting was offered by S. Hilken and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

A new proposal from CDS Communications and Digital Services to replace a portable hand phone in the Ida Library was not considered to be an advantage to the Township and, therefore, the proposal was dismissed.

A motion to adjourn was made by S. Hilken and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Appleman
Ida Township Clerk