

IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, September 2nd, 2008

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, Treasurer Sherry Hilkens and Trustees Randy Stanifer and Elmer Bowman.

Public Comment:

The meeting was opened for public comment. State Representative Kate Ebli addressed the board briefly on renewable energy sources and eliminating term limits which she is working on and answered questions from the board and audience.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the regular township board meeting held Tuesday, August 6, 2008 were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was offered by S. Hilkens and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

Reports:

The Building Department report was submitted by Building Inspector David Friend. Only 2 permits were issued in the month of August. There were no new home starts. Inspector Friend informed board members that he has checked an anonymous complaint about a possible home business on Ida West Road. The homeowner stated that the business has been closed. An increase in penalties for blight violations to promote greater compliance in removing the blight was discussed. The issue will be forwarded to the planning commission.

The Fire Department report was submitted by Chief Paul Metz. The department made 39 calls in the month of August and 294 calls to date for the year 2008.

The bills were presented for payment by the clerk. Added to the bills presented was an invoice from Airsource One, Inc. in the amount of \$644.95 charged to account 402-336-930, an invoice from Herkimer Radio in the amount of \$25.00 charged to account 402-336-935. An invoice from Monroe Township Fire Department for a First Responder class for 2 firemen in the amount of \$700.00 charged to account 402-336-855. A motion to pay

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the bills as amended was made by R. Iott and supported by R. Stanifer. A roll call vote was taken. All votes were yes.

A discussion was held on whether a decision can be withheld on the special land use request from Chuck Mudge for the Ida West Track and Trail project until a fee for engineering review is paid. The matter will be referred to the township attorney.

A motion to adopt the starting fund balances for each of the 2008-2009 fiscal year budgets as per the Ida Township auditors Cooley, Hehl, Wohlgamuth & Carlton was made by R. Iott and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried. (See attached sheet).

The township attorney will be consulted on the issue of monies required for expenditures incurred by the township in regards to the Ida West Track and Trail Special Land Use Request.

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Treasurer Sherry Hilkens. After review, a motion to accept the report was made by D. Appleman and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

New Business:

Stoning the drive area of Lulu Rd Maple Cemetery was discussed. Prices will be obtained from at least 2 contractors.

A motion to approve an annual preventative maintenance agreement between West Shore Services, Inc. and Ida Township that covers annual inspection and preventative maintenance only for the early warning system in the township at 335.00 per site was made by E. Bowman and supported by D. Appleman. Motion carried.

A motion to accept the resignation of Karen Lieb from the Ida Township Planning Commission was made by R. Iott and supported by S. Hilkens. Motion carried.

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Supervisor Ron Iott appointed Brian Angerer to replace Karen Lieb on the Ida Township Planning Commission to complete the term which runs through November 30, 2010. A motion to approve the appointment was made by D. Appleman and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

A motion to appoint Karen Lieb as Recording Secretary for the Ida Township Planning Commission as needed was made by D. Appleman and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

A motion to accept the 2007-2008 fiscal year audit conducted by Cooley, Hehl, Wohlgamuth & Carlton was made by D. Appleman and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

Material has been delivered for the Boy Scout utility building in the township park.

A motion to adjourn was made by D. Appleman and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Appleman
Ida Township Clerk