

**IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday September 6, 2011**

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 Hilken, Trustees Randy Stanifer and Elmer Bowman. Also present were State Representative Dale Zorn, and three members of the Staff of the Monroe County Road Commission.

Public Comment:

The meeting was opened for public comment. A resident who lives on Ida West Road asked if anyone is keeping watch on the motor cross track on Ida West Road west of Wells Road. He was told that the Township attorney has been in touch with the motor cross attorney and are monitoring the situation there. Boy Scout James H. Malvitz asked the Board Members to allow him to work on a project at the Township Park to construct a roof over three picnic tables that would help him gain his Eagle Scout Award. Fellow scouts and family members would help him in the project. Board members stated they had no problem with him going ahead with the project.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the August 2, 2011 Regular Meeting of the Ida Township Board were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by S. Hilken and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

Reports:

The Building Department report was submitted by Building Inspector David Friend. A total of twelve (12) permits were issued by the Department in the month of August. There were no new home starts.

The Fire Department Report was submitted by Fire Chief Paul Metz. The Department ran a total of thirty-three (33) calls in the month of August. Chief Metz informed the Board Members that the Department had an inspection of their ladders and hoses. Two (2) ladders did not pass inspection and will need to be replaced.

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

A motion to adjust the General Fund Budget and move monies from the Contingency Fund to the Cemetery Fund to cover cemetery repairs and maintenance according to the Budget Adjustment Sheet given to each Board Member was made by R. Iott and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted by Treasurer Sherry Hilken. After review a motion to accept the Report was made by D. Appleman and supported by R. Iott. Motion carried.

The Trustees reminded Board Members that the building in Lulu Cemetery is in much need of repair and painting.

Supervisor Ron Iott asked Board Members to approve expenses for any Ida Township Planning Commission member to attend a Planning Commission Seminar at Monroe County Community College. A motion to approve the expenses was made by R. Stanifer and supported by S. Hilken. Motion carried.

The Ida Branch Library report was submitted by Ida Librarian, Susanne Krueger. September events include Ida Book Club, Fun Friday Cookbook Club, How to Print, Super Couponing and Open Gaming among other events.

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New Business:

Howard Penrod, Managing Director of the Monroe County Road Commission (MCRC) was present and addressed the Board regarding road repair work and financing for those repairs. There was much discussion and questions from Board Members including whether another mile of Rauch Road could be included in next year's budget. State Representative Dale Zorn also added to the discussion.

A Resolution to allow the Monroe County Emergency Medical Authority to amend its by-laws to include the City of Monroe was made by D. Appleman and supported by E. Bowman. A roll call vote was taken. Four (4) votes in favor and one Member was absent. The Treasurer left the meeting early.

A motion to accept a proposal from the engineering firm of Mannik & Smith not to exceed \$3,000 to submit a grant application for an S2 Grant for engineering and repairs on the Ida-Raisinville Sewer Lagoons was made by R. Stanifer and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

A motion to approve a PA 116 Farmland Application for Mike Brown for a 40 acre parcel on Albain Road was made by D. Appleman and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

A motion to allow the Township Tax Assessor to use legal counsel in a Tax Tribunal matter was made by D. Appleman and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by D. Appleman and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried. The meeting duly adjourned at 8:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Appleman
Ida Township Clerk