

**IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**  
**Wednesday, November 5th, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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. A resident at 14600 Ida West Road complained about excessive noise coming from a nearby property on November 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> and presented the board with a letter in writing to that affect. A Village of Ida resident asked the board the status of wall plaques in regards to the Ida Civic Club that was supposed to be hung on the community room wall.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes of the October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008 township board meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by S. Hilkens and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

**Reports:**

There was no Building Department report due to the absence of the building inspector.

The Fire Department report was submitted by Ida Firefighter Association President Kurt Horn. The department made 38 calls in the month of October. Association President Horn informed the board that the department had researched the cost of a new tanker with a KME at approximately \$376,000.00 and a HME at \$343,000.00. Mr. Horn stressed the need for a 20 year replacement plan for all fire vehicles. A time will be established for fire department members and township board members to get together for a workshop to set up such a plan.

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

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**Reports (cont.)**

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

Trustee Bowman informed the board that he had met with Supervisor Iott to discuss local road expenditures for the up coming year. Exact monies available will not be known until after the salting season this winter.

Supervisor Iott informed the Board that Ida Center Road between Geiger and Minx will be opened up for use after November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The drain tile west of Douglas Road between Todd and Morocco Roads has been completed and should correct the water problem there. The drain around the lagoons east of Ida Schools is almost completed and should correct the water problem there. The bill for the lagoon project was not available at township board meeting time. A motion to allow the township clerk to pay Ida Township's portion of the bill upon receipt was made by R. Iott and supported by E. Bowman. Motion carried. Ida's portion will be 71.80% and Raisinville Township will pay 28.20% of the bill.

Some discussion was held in regards to the third mile of Rauch Road between Secor and Lewis Ave. which has not been resurfaced.

**New Business:**

A motion to grant free usage of the Ida Community Room to Ida High School Class of 2010 on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 and Saturday December 6, 2008 and Thanks, Inc. Winterfest February 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 was made by E. Bowman and supported by S. Hilkens. Motion carried.

A motion to reappoint Dean Zorn for snow removal of the township parking lot at the same cost of last year at \$80.00 per cleaning was made by R. Iott and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

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**New Business (cont.)**

Supervisor R. Iott made the following appointments to the Ida Township Planning Commission: R. Zabawa 12-01-2008 to 11-30-2011; Brad Kamprath 12-01-2008 to 11-30-2011; and Elmer Bowman 12-01-2008 to 11-30-2012. A motion to approve the appointments was made by S. Hilkens and supported by D. Appleman. Motion carried.

A motion to appoint fire department member Bob Navarre to inspect and pump if needed the fire hydrants in the Ida Water District at \$5.00 per hydrant was made by E. Bowman and supported by R. Iott. Motion carried.

Treasurer Sherry Hilkens updated the board on township calendars she is creating. Fewer calendars will be made than was at first anticipated because of the cost for each calendar.

Ida library usage has increased 9.7% in the past year. Librarian Barb Drott will retire at the end of December 2008.

**Old Business:**

Perkins pole barn on Secor Road and Helms pond on Kruse Road was discussed briefly.

A resolution confirming participation in the Monroe County Farmland and Open Space Preservation Purchase of Development Rights program for Ida Township was made by E. Bowman and supported by R. Stanifer. A roll call vote was taken. All votes were yes.

Sealing of the walking path in the township park will be postponed until next summer.

A motion to compare prices for four (4) Red Maple trees approximately 2 ½ in diameter between Snows Nursery and Housel Nursery and select the one most cost effective was made by R. Iott and supported by R. Stanifer. Motion carried.

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**Old Business (cont.)**

A motion to adjourn was made by E. Bowman and supported by S. Hilkens.  
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Appleman  
Ida Township Clerk