

IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING
January 7, 2020

The Meeting of the Ida Township Board was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Members present were Supervisor Paul Metz, Trustees Elmer Bowman and Randy Stanifer. Clerk Tera Shaffer and Treasurer Sherry Hilkens were absent.

Motion by R. Stanifer with support by E. Bowman to appoint Karen Jo Lieb as the Recording Secretary. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public comment: Troy Goodnough spoke to the public and announced that he will be seeking the office of Sheriff in the 2020 election and further spoke about his credentials. Mr. Galloro asked about the zoning laws regarding the number of horses allowed in the Township.

Approval of Agenda: A motion to approve the Agenda as presented was made by R. Stanifer with support by E. Bowman. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Township Board Meeting held December 3, 2019 were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by P. Metz with support by E. Bowman. All in favor. Motion carried.

Reports: The Building Department Report was presented by Building Inspector Dave Friend. He stated that he issued 12 permits totaling \$ 1,156.25 for the month of December 2019. There were no new home starts. There were nine (9) new houses for the year 2019.

Zoning Administrator, D. Friend reported that he has been following up on the Salenbien operation and they have been in compliance.

The Fire Department Report was presented by Supervisor Paul Metz. There were 36 calls for the month of December.

The bills were reviewed by the Board. After review, a motion to pay the bills as presented was made by R. Stanifer with support by P. Metz. A roll call vote was taken as follows: P. Metz: yes; R. Stanifer: yes; E. Bowman: yes; S. Hilkens: absent; T. Shaffer: absent. All in favor. Motion carried.

There was no Treasurer Report. Motion by R. Stanifer support by E. Bowman to table Treasurer's report until next meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

E. Bowman reported that he was at the Lulu Road Cemetery to follow up on a complaint about leaves not being removed. He stated the Cemetery Spring Cleanup will take care of the problem.

Supervisor P. Metz reported that the 2020 Road Improvement estimates have been received from the Monroe County Road Commission. A workshop will be scheduled in the very near future. The Supervisor also discussed an issue with the Morocco Road property owned by the Township that is being farmed. The Supervisor stated that he has a meeting scheduled at 9:00 a.m. January 13 for with the Monroe County Drain Commission to discuss the sewer system pump station. The Supervisor also reported that the dead tree in the park has been taken down.

The Blight Officer Report was reviewed by the Board.

The Library Report was presented by Librarian Suzanne Krueger. Suzanne Krueger reported that she has been researching electronic signs.

New Business:

The contract with Rick's Lawn Service for Cemetery Lawncare was reviewed. After discussion, a motion as made by R. Stanifer with support by E. Bowman to renew the contract for 2020 at the same rate and terms as the 2019 contract. A roll call vote was taken as follows: P. Metz: yes; R. Stanifer: yes; E. Bowman: yes; S. Hilkens: absent; T. Shaffer: absent. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Township Board discussed the Civic Club's request to use of the Township Park for Community Days on May 16, 2020. After review, a motion was made by P. Metz with support by R. Stanifer to allow the use as requested. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Township Board discussed T.H.A.N.K.S. Inc.'s request to waive the rental fee for the Township Community Room for Winterfest on February 14-16, 2020. After review, a motion was made by R. Stanifer with support by E. Bowman to allow the use however they still have to pay the cleaning fee. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the quote from Dominion to purchase a new voting tabulator at a cost of \$5,295.00. Discussion also was held regarding the application for a grant that Clerk Tera Shaffer applied for to refund 50% of the fee that is pending. After discussion, a motion was made by R. Stanifer with support by P. Metz to table until February Township Board meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion held regarding required Windows 10 upgrades needed to the office computers as the prior operating system will not be supported as of January 31, 2020. Motion by R. Stanifer to allow the upgrades to Windows 10 and table the new computer purchase until the February Township Board meeting. Supported by P. Metz. All in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Motion to table the Boy Scout Cabin was made by P. Metz with support by R. Stanifer to table until the next meeting. All in favor. Motion carried

Discussion held regarding staffing the Fire Department for dayshift. Motion to table by P. Metz with support by R. Stanifer to table until the February meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by P. Metz with support by E. Bowman. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was duly adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Jo Lieb, Recording Secretary