

**IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING**  
**November 4, 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, Clerk Tera Shaffer and Treasurer Sherry Hilkins, and Trustees Elmer Bowman and Tim Mata

**Public Comment:** Pete Loughney praised the Clerk's Department on running a smooth and efficient election.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve the Agenda was made by E. Bowman with support by S. Hilkins. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of the Township Board Meeting held October 6, 2020 were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by S. Hilkins with support by P. Metz. Motion carried.

**Building Department:** The Building Department Report was reviewed. There were 13 permits for a total of \$1433.00. There were no new home builds this month.

**Zoning Department:**

**Fire Department Report:** The Fire Department report was reviewed. 15 calls were made in Ida, 17 calls in Rainsville. There were a total of 32 calls this month.

**Clerk Report** The Clerk presented budget adjustments that need to be made and the bills to be reviewed. Budget adjustments include +\$265,000 to the Debt Service Principal, - \$265,000 from the Water Fund Balance, +1,980 to the Building and Grounds Capital, -\$1,980 from Contingency. P. Metz made a motion to make the budget adjustment and pay the bills with support from T. Mata. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes. T. Shaffer: yes. S. Hilkins: yes. E. Bowman: yes. T. Mata: yes.

The Clerk presented a report on the Township Finances.

The Clerk reported on the election. There were a total of 3071 voters. 1608 Absentee voters, 1463 in person voters

**Treasurer Report** The Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer S. Hilkins. E. Bowman made a motion to accept the report with support from T. Mata. Motion carried. The Water Bond has been payed off early with a savings of \$15,025.00.

**Trustee Report** E. Bowman discussed the culverts that need to be replaced in the Township.

**Supervisor Report** P. Metz reported that Sheila Myers has resigned as Assessing Clerk. Dan Cervi has been hired as her replacement. It was noted that Sharpies were approved and sent by the State of Michigan for voting.

**Blight Officer Report** The Blight Report was reviewed.

**Library Report**

**New Business:**

P. Metz reported that Trisha Wood has retired as our custodian. Karen Commet has been hired as her replacement.

P. Metz made a motion to approve the proposed 20-21 Ida/Raisinville Sewage Budget with support from T. Shaffer. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes. T. Shaffer: yes. S. Hilkins: yes. E. Bowman: yes. T. Mata: yes.

A discussion was had about open spots on the Board of Review, Planning Commission and Zoning Board. Elmer Bowman will remain on the Planning Commission; Tim Mata will be the Representative for the Board. Chris Curry will be appointed to the Zoning Board.

T. Shaffer made a motion to add a resolution to wait 90 days before adding new, non-elected employees to the pension with support from S. Hilkins. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

P. Metz made a motion to approve Mike Woolford as the Designated Assessor with support from S. Hilkins. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by T. Shaffer with support by P. Metz. Motion carried. The meeting was duly adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tera Shaffer, Ida Township Clerk