

**IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING**  
**April 6, 2021**

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, Treasurer Sherry Hilken and Trustees Chris Curry and Tim Mata. Also in attendance were Building Inspector Dave Friend and Fire Chief Kirt Horn.

**Public Comment:** A resident reported that patch work is needed on the road in front of his home on Ida West.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve the Agenda was made by S. Hilken with support by P. Metz. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of the Township Board Meeting held March 2, 2021 were reviewed. A motion to approve the Minutes was made by P. Metz with support by T. Mata. Motion carried. The Minutes of the Special Meeting on March 25, 2021 were reviewed. A motion to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting was made by P. Metz with support by C. Curry. Motion carried.

**Building Department:** The Building Department Report was presented by Dave Friend. There were 17 permits issued for a total of \$3032.50. There are no new home builds.

**Zoning Department:** None

**Fire Department Report:** The Fire Department report was reviewed. In March 42 calls were made in Ida, 23 calls in Raisinville, 2 calls in Dundee, 2 calls in Monroe and 4 in Summerfield for a total of 73 calls.

**Clerk Report**

T. Shaffer reported that 501 Absentee ballots have been sent out for the May4, 2021 Election with 39% returned so far.

T. Shaffer discussed the need for Broadband in Ida Township. There are resources available to the Township to help bring broadband to the parts of the Township that do not have access. The board agreed to look into the resources available at this time.

The budget workshop for the 2021-2022 Budget was scheduled for Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 5:30.

T. Shaffer presented the budget adjustments:

101-210-801-00	Attorneys Fees	+\$1,000
101-890-999-00	Contingency	-\$1,000
101-265-935-00	Building & Grounds (Mowing and Snow Removal)	+4,000
101-265-935-00	Repairs and maintenance	-\$4,000
402-336-750-00	Radio Batteries	+\$400
402-339-890-00	Education/meetings	-\$400
402-366-830-00	Dues Fire Chief	+\$300
402-336-855-00	Education/Meetings	-\$300
402-336-930-00	Repairs and Maintenance	+\$5,000
402-336-931-00	Buildings and Grounds	-\$5,000

T. Shaffer presented the bills to be reviewed. P. Metz made a motion to pay the bills and make budget adjustments with support from S. Hilken. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes. T. Shaffer: yes. S. Hilken: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes.

Ida Township should be receiving \$476,000 from the American Rescue Plan. The Township Board will discuss budgeting this money for the 2021-2022 budget. The first half of the money should come in May or 2021. The second half of the money should come in 2022. The Township has 2 years to spend this money.

#### **Treasurer Report**

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. P. Metz made a motion to accept the Report with support from T. Shaffer. Motion carried.

#### **Trustee Report**

C. Curry reported that the leak in the men's bathroom has been fixed and the ceiling tiles have been replaced. It was noted that the outside flag needs to be replaced.

#### **Supervisor Report**

P. Metz reported that road limits have been removed. P. Metz also reported that Kruse road repair was back on in addition to 2 culverts with the possibility of 2 more depending on Petersburg's involvement.

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

**Library Report** The library report was reviewed.

**Old Business:** P. Metz reported on the \$810,677.00 Sewer Pond project. The total amount will be shared with Raisinville who will put down \$100,000.00 and be responsible for 25% of the bond. P. Metz made a motion to put down \$200,677.00 toward the project and to secure a bond in the amount of \$510,000.00 of which Ida will be 75% responsible for with support from C. Curry. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes. T. Shaffer: yes. S. Hilken: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes.

#### **New Business:**

Personal Property and Canvass Policy has been tabled until the May meeting.

The next Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday May 5, 2021 at 7 p.m. due to the Election.

Garage Sale Ordinance has been tabled until the May meeting.

C. Mata made a motion to approve Bennett's Lawn Care two year contract as proposed with support from S. Hilken. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes. T. Shaffer: yes. S. Hilken: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes

P. Metz made a motion to accept the resignation of the Treasurer effective June 30, 2021 with support from T. Mata. Motion carried

P. Metz made a motion to create a temporary training position beginning April 26, 2021 until June 30, 2021 to train the incoming Treasurer with support from T. Mata. Motion carries

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by P. Metz with support by T. Mata. Motion carried. The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tera Shaffer, Ida Township Clerk