

**IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING
May 5, 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: None

Approval of Agenda: S. Hilken requested to add two discussions under New Business. A motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of 7B: Remove REU from sewer and 7C: Postage machine under New Business was made by C. Curry with support by T. Mata. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the Township Board Meeting held April 6, 2021 were reviewed. A motion to approve the Minutes was made by S. Hilken with support by P. Metz. Motion carried. The Minutes of the Special Meeting on April 21, 2021 were reviewed. A motion to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting was made by T. Mata with support by C. Curry. Motion carried.

Building Department: The Building Department Report was presented by Dave Friend. There were 21 permits issued for a total of \$6537.96. There were 3 new home builds in April..

Zoning Department: None

Fire Department Report: The Fire Department report was reviewed. In April 32 calls were made in Ida, 14 calls in Raisinville, 3 calls in LMR and 2 calls in for a total of 52 calls.

Clerk Report

T. Shaffer reported that the election went well. Ida Township passed both issues on the ballot.

T. Shaffer suggested getting yard signs advertising Spring Clean-up next year.

T. Shaffer presented the budget adjustments:

101-265-920-00	Utilities	+\$4,000
101-265-930-00	Building & Grounds Maintenance	-\$4,000
402-336-920-00	Utilities	+2,500
402-336-890-00	Contingency	-\$2,500

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

T. Shaffer: yes. S. Hilken: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes.

Treasurer Report

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. T. Mata made a motion to accept the Report with support from C. Curry. Motion carried.

S. Hilken introduced Kelly Elmer who will be training for the Treasurer's position.

S. Hilken reported that there is an overage amount left in the account on the water assessment will be due back to residents in the water district.

S. Hilken made note that Cindy Reuther, Deputy Treasurer celebrated her 18 year anniversary working for Ida Township.

Trustee Report

C. Curry reported that the cemeteries in the Township were all being well maintained.

Supervisor Report

P. Metz reported that a resident is requesting to be buried without a vault. This topic will be moved to Old Business and voted on at the June meeting.

P. Metz reported that he is in discussion with the LaSalle Supervisor about work to be done on Minx Rd. 4 new culverts need to be replaced before paving.

P. Metz reported that the Building Inspector, Dave Friend will be out of the office May 17-21. A back-up inspector will be on-call for inspections.

P. Metz reported that there will be Special Meeting on May 12, 2021 to discuss the Budget.

Blight Officer Report The blight report was reviewed.

Library Report The library report was reviewed.

Old Business:

There was a discussion about the Personal Property Canvass Policy. P. Metz made a motion to accept the Personal Property Canvass Policy with support from T. Shaffer. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes. T. Shaffer: yes. S. Hilken: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes.

Garage Sale Ordinance has been tabled until the June meeting.

New Business:

There was a discussion about the need to replace the mulch on the playground. The mulch was last replaced 4 years ago and needs to be certified playground mulch. The cost of replacement would be \$1275.00 at \$15.00 per yard and \$450.00 for delivery. P. Metz made a motion to replace the mulch for \$1725.00 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.

There was a discussion about removing one Sewer REU at 2935 Mill St from 4 units to 3 units. T. Shaffer made a motion to remove one Sewer REU for the property at 2935 Mill St. with support from C. Curry. Motion carried.

S. Hilken reported that our postage machine would be obsolete in 18 months; she recommended that we replace our current lease with an updated version. T. Mata made a motion to replace the postage machine with support from C. Curry. Motion carried

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by P. Metz with support by C. Curry. Motion carried. The meeting was duly adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tera Shaffer, Ida Township Clerk