

IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING
August 3, 2022

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 Kelly Elmer, Trustee Chris Curry and Trustee Tim Mata.

Public Comment: Larry Feldpasch gave his opinion on the state of the world due to global warming and voiced his opinion about the “failure of judgement” the board used when voting on the solar ordinance.

Approval of Agenda: A motion to approve the Agenda was made by K. Elmer with support from T. Mata. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the Township Board Meeting held July 6, 2022 were reviewed. A motion to approve the Minutes was made by T. Mata with support by P. Metz. Motion carried.

Building Department: 29 permits were issued in the month of July for a total of \$4312.74. A large amount of back-up generator permits have been pulled.

Zoning Department: There will be no Planning Commission meeting this month.

Fire Department Report: The Fire Department report was reviewed. Fire Chief Horn reported the results of the new station study that was done. Chief Horn would like to form a committee with himself, T. Shaffer and C. Curry to come up with a strategic plan. The goal would be to keep the millage at 1-1.5 mills over 20 years. 1.2-2 mills may be more realistic.

Clerk Report: T. Shaffer reported that the Clerk’s department is in need of seasonal election help with the increase in absentee voting. P. Metz made a motion to hire help at \$18/hour as needed at the discretion of the Clerk’s department with support from T. Mata. Motion carried.

The bills reviewed. P. Metz made a motion to pay the bills with support from K. Elmer. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes; T. Shaffer: yes. K. Elmer: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes

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

Trustee Report: T. Mata inquired about getting a quote for the driveway to the fire station.

Supervisor Report: P. Metz reviewed the quote from Marflo’s. T. Mata made a motion to hire Marflo’s for trimming and weeding not to exceed \$500 with support from C. Curry. All in favor.
P. Metz reported that the pump station work is being done and gave update on Albain Rd work.
P. Metz updated the Board on culverts; LaSalle turned down our current culvert plan. Supervisor Goldsmith (LaSalle) and Supervisor Metz have a meeting with the Drain Commission. Clerk Shaffer made a request to join the Supervisors at the meeting..

Blight Officer Report: T. DUBY reported 10 complaints in June and July. He is currently working with a resident on a pond that was dug without a permit. There was a discussion about the future of a vacant home and the next course of action.

Library Report: The Library Report was reviewed.

Old Business: None

New Business:

T. Mata made a motion to support the Monroe Conservation District with a \$750 donation with support from C. Curry. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. K. Elmer: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes

There was a discussion on renewing and signing the contracts with Municipal Retirement Systems.

K. Elmer made a motion for the Township to cover training, mileage and lodging for T. DUBY to take Zoning classes with the support from T. Mata. All in favor.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by T. Mata with support by K. Elmer. Motion carried. The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tera Shaffer, Ida Township Clerk