

**IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING**  
**February 6, 2024**

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, Treasurer Kelly Elmer and Trustee Chris Curry.

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Agenda:** A Motion to approve the agenda was made by P. Metz with support by C. Curry. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of the Township Board Meeting held January 2, 2024 were reviewed. A Motion to approve the Minutes was made by C. Curry with support by K. Elmer. Motion carried.

**Building Department:** There were 22 permits pulled in the month of January for a total of \$4117.00

**Zoning Department:** T. Duby reported:

- 6 zoning assists; 2 additions, 2 pole barns, 1 pond and 1 new build.

**Fire Department Report:** The Fire Department report was reviewed. In January 38 calls were made in Ida, 34 calls in Raisinville, 4 in Bedford, 6 in Dundee, 1 in LaSalle, 2 in London/Maybee, 2 in Summerfield and 4 in Monroe for a total of 91 calls.

**Clerk Report:** S. Rauch reported on behalf of T. Shaffer:

- Early Voting will begin of February 17, 2024 and run for 9 days.
- No Early Voting on the Monday before the election.
- Polls are open on Election Day, February 27<sup>th</sup>, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- The Clerk's department is in the process of contacting over 200 voters that did not return their Ballot Selection Form.
- Kelli Brandjord, the Building Administrator, has been working on Tuesdays as a seasonal election worker to help the department to keep up.
- Annual W-2's and year end taxes have been completed.
- The Clerk's computer has been shutting down without reason, Chris with Digital Perspectives has suggested replacing the computer.

The bills were reviewed. P. Metz made a motion to pay the bills and to purchase a new computer for the Clerk with the allowance from Digital Perspectives and up to \$1000 in additional funds with support from C. Curry. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes. K. Elmer: yes. C. Curry: yes

**Treasurer Report:** K. Elmer reported:

- Taxes are due by February 14, 2024. Delinquent taxes will be accepted at the Township until February 29, 2024 with interest and penalty.
- The sewer fund received a refund from the Drain Commission.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. P. Metz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report with support by C. Curry. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Trustee Report:** None

**Supervisor Report:** P. Metz reported:

- T. Mata reported to the Supervisor that the Planning Commission had met on January 4, 2024 and was attended by the Township Planner, John Enos. There was a discussion about the mandatory review of the Master Plan.

**Blight Officer Report:** T. Duby reported that he had 1 blight complaint in January, the issue has been resolved.

**Library Report:** The Library Report was reviewed.

**Old Business:** K. Elmer made a motion to sign the library contract with the following changes:

- Section 5 is changed to Advisory Person instead of Advisory Board; that person is to be Paul Metz.
- The addition of a section to address courteous communication between the library and township.

P. Metz supported the motion. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

P. Metz made a motion to approve the following contracts from the Road Commission.

- Dust Control – Oak Meadows in the amount of \$637.00
- Mowing in the amount of \$22,390.00
- Dust Control in the amount of \$69,400.00
- Chip and Seal on Albain Rd (Douglas to Lewis) \$14,679.00

Motion was supported by C. Curry. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes. K. Elmer: yes. C. Curry: yes

K. Elmer made a motion to table the discussion on other road contract proposals and the culvert on Wells Rd. and to move the discussion to Old Business with support by P. Metz. Motion carried.

P. Metz made a motion to approve the Civic Club's request to host Community Day at the Ida Township Park on May 18, 2024 with support by K. Elmer. Motion passed.

C. Curry made a motion to accept the Lucas Device Grant from Firehouse Sub with support by K. Elmer. Motion carried.

K. Elmer made a motion to accept the Election Inspector Pay Scale as presented with support by P. Metz. Motion carried.

C. Curry made a motion to accept the proposal from Electrical Services Plus, Inc for electrical work up to \$2500.00 with support by K. Elmer. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes. K. Elmer: yes. C. Curry: yes

K. Elmer made a motion to reinstate Butch Weiss as plumbing and mechanical inspector on a temporary basis through April 1, 2024 or however long is needed for the replacement inspector to obtain all licensing with C. Curry. Motion carried

**Adjournment:** A Motion to adjourn was made by C. Curry with support by K. Elmer. Motion carried. The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tera Shaffer, Ida Township Clerk