

IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING
October 1, 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, Clerk Tera Shaffer, Treasurer Kelli Brandjord, Trustee Chris Curry and Trustee Tim Mata.

Public Comment: A resident asked what road work was happening on Ida West Road. The Supervisor and Clerk reported that there is a project to widen the shoulder 2 feet. The road commission would be trenching the area needed and resurfacing.

Approval of Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by P. Metz with support by T. Mata. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the Township Board Meeting held September 3, 2024 were reviewed. T. Mata made a motion approve the Minutes Township Board Meeting held September 3, 2024 with support by C. Curry. All in favor. Motion passed.

Building Department: 19 Permits were pulled in September for a total of \$4,284.00.

Zoning Department: 12 requests made to the zoning administrator this month. T. DUBY also reported ongoing issues with the church in town and the apartment building on Lewis Ave. The Co-Op is looking to remove the concrete silo's and replace them. Fall fest is coming up next weekend on October 5. There are big plans for a great event.

Blight Officer: None

Fire Department Report: In September 27 calls were made in Ida, 2 calls in Raisinville, 2 in Monroe, 2 in Dundee for a total of 39 calls.

Clerk Report: T. Shaffer reported:

Election update: Just under 900 Absentee ballots have been sent out. Early voting starts October 26- November 3. There is NO EARLY VOTING ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4.

There is a training for site plan review on October 15.

The amounts for the constitutional and statutory revenue sharing came in. Ida will receive \$4,852 in CVTRS. This is new this year.

44 employees on this month's quarterly pay roll. The electrical inspector has not turned in electrical inspections in over two years. The Clerk has requested we look for a new inspector. The supervisor does not agree. T. Mata has made several calls to the electrical inspector and suggests the office write a letter.

T. Shaffer made a motion to adopt a policy for paying the building administrator out of the general fund each month with a transfer from the building fund once a year to pay for the funds, with support from P. Metz. Motion carried on a roll call votes as follows: P. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. K. Brandjord: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes

The bills were reviewed and the following budget adjustments made:

+ \$3,000 Building Administrator in general fund
+ \$2,500 Training for new Treasurer

C. Curry made a motion to pay the bills and make the budget adjustments with support by T. Mata. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. K. Brandjord: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes

Treasurer Report:

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. T. Shaffer made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report with support by C. Curry. All in favor. Motion carried.

Trustee Report: none

Supervisor Report: P. Metz presented a proposal for Rawlings Heating and Cooling.

T. Shaffer made a motion to replace the condensation pump lines in the amount of \$870 with support from T. Mata. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. K. Brandjord: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes

P. Metz reported that Minx Road work is complete.

There will be a meeting with Raisinville Township and the Monroe County Drain Commissioner on Monday, Oct. 7 at 1:30 about the sewage pump.

The second mow is complete for the ditches.

The fire station entry pad needs replaced. T. Mata is going to get quotes for this repair.

Library Report: The Library will be celebrating it's 90th anniversary on Monday, September 9, 2024.

Old Business:

P. Metz reported that Butch Weiss has agreed to stay on as the mechanical and plumbing inspector until the end of the year.

New Business:

T. Shaffer made a motion to make the trick or treat times for Ida township on October 31 from 6-8pm with support from T. Mata. All in favor. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the 6 month deadlines for Water to Wine. Tim Duby will follow up on the progress of the parking lot, lighting and fence. This agenda item will be moved to old business.

T. Mata reported on the meeting between Ida and Raisinville in regards to the fire runs. Starting July 1, 2025, the amount per run will increase \$50 to \$400 per call. The two township boards will meet in March annually to discuss the program. The intention is that the cost per run will increase \$50 bi-annually. T. Mata made a motion to accept resolution #24-M for the fire runs made in Raisinville Township with support from T. Shaffer. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: P. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. K. Brandjord: yes. C. Curry: yes. T. Mata: yes

K. Brandjord reported on the status of the light districts. History of the LED lights installation was explained. After a discussion with the auditor, the Township can consider the "loan" from the general fund to pay for the initial installment of the LED lights complete. There is a shortage in the amount assessed to the residents in the Ida village district from the total spent this past year on the lights. The board discussed the general fund carrying a portion of the street lights for public safety. There will be no increase to the residents in the light districts this year.

The Township board discussed the upcoming changes for regulating renewable energy districts. The board discussed pursuing a CREO and creating a district with the help of the planning commission and the attorney to make sure Ida's ordinance is compatible with the new language of the legislation that passed this spring. T. Mata will bring this to the planning commission for further discussion on Tuesday, October 8.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by K. Brandjord with support by P. Metz. Motion carried. The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tera Shaffer, Ida Township Clerk