

IDA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING
June 2, 2026

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 Mark Metz, Clerk Tera Shaffer, Treasurer Kelli Brandjord, Trustee Chris Curry and Trustee Tim Mata.

A Motion to Call to Order the 2026/2027 Budget Public Hearing was made by T. Shaffer with support by K. Brandjord. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Discussion was held regarding the 2026-2027 Proposed Budget Effective 7/01/2026. A Motion by T. Shaffer TO ADOPT THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT FOR THE 2026-2027 FISCAL YEAR, AS PRESENTED IN THE ATTACHED BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND, SPECIAL VOTED FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND, LIQUOR FUND, SEWER OPERATION & MAINTENANCE FUND, LIBRARY FUND AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND with support by C. Curry. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: C. Curry: yes. K. Brandjord: yes M. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. T. Mata: yes.

A Motion to adjourn the Budget Hearing was made by C. Curry with support by T. Mata. The hearing was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Supervisor Metz called the regular Township Board Meeting to open.

Public Comment: A resident requested action to be taken on re-paving Wells Rd. The road is in terrible condition. Supervisor Metz said that he did have a call into Summerfield Township's Supervisor on the matter. There is hopes to address this road next fiscal year.

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

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the Township Board Meeting held May 6, 2026 were reviewed. K. Brandjord made a motion to approve the minutes of the Township Board Meeting held May 6, 2026 with support by T. Mata. Motion carried. The Minutes of the Budget Workshop held on May 18, 2026 were reviewed. C. Curry made a motion to approve the minutes of the Budget Workshop held on May 18, 2026 with support by K. Brandjord. Motion carried.

Building Department: 20 Permits were pulled in May for a total of \$5834.00.

Zoning Department: Zoning reports will only happen in the future through the Supervisor.

Blight Officer: Dean Ansel is officially hired and working in the township.

Fire Department Report: In May 48 calls were made in Ida, 75 calls in Raisinville, 3 calls for LMR, for a total of 78 calls.

Clerk Report:

- T. Shaffer presented the Insurance proposal for 2026-2027.
- The Township did not receive the T-Mobile grant that was applied for in March.
- The Board discussed ordering the office staff a clothing item from the Township apparel store. T.Shaffer made a motion to buy each of the office staff members one piece from the clothing store along with the 3 pieces needed for the blight inspector, with support from T. Mata. All in favor. Motion carried.
- The gravel drive to the sewer pump station, that was approved in 2025, will be started soon.
- T. Shaffer reported a cemetery plot dispute that is occurring.

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

Budget adjustments were reviewed. C. Curry made a motion to make the attached budget adjustments with support from T. Mata. All in favor. Motion carried.

Three payrolls were reviewed.

Treasurer Report: K Brandjord reported:

- Summer tax bills will be available on July 1, 2026.

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

Trustee Report: C. Curry visited all of the Township Cemeteries to inspect the mowing and lawn care. He reported that the lawn was not being taken care of well. M. Metz will call Rick's Lawn Care to discuss if they will continue to care for the cemetery lawns.

Supervisor Report: M. Metz reported:

- The posts need replace at the Geiger Rd. cemetery.
- M. Metz and T. Shaffer met with Lucie, the Township Planner, from Mannik Smith.

Library Report: The Library Report was reviewed.

Old Business:

Park Entrance - M. Metz is working on getting another quote.

Data Center Moratorium – M. Metz suggested this to be discussed by the planning commission.

New Business:

The 2026-2027 Township Board meeting dates were reviewed. The Township board meetings will continue on the first Tuesday of the month with the exceptions of when an election occurs. The board meetings will be on the Wednesday following election day.

The Consent Agenda was reviewed. T. Mata made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as written with support by K. Brandjord. All in favor, Motion carried.

T.Shaffer presented the latest playground proposal proposed for phase one. There was a meeting with the members of the park improvement fund that agreed to start a partnership with the Monroe County Community Foundation to raise money for phase two of our park. Phase two will consist of pickleball courts and a new music section.

M. Metz made a motion to approve the quote from Game Time to repair, update and expand the playground in the amount of \$116,658.23 with support from T. Shaffer. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: C. Curry: yes. K. Brandjord: yes M. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. T. Mata: yes.

T. Shaffer made a motion to hire Mannik Smith to develop the phase two plan for the park project with support from K. Brandjord.

C. Curry made a motion to purchase two lap top computers for the elections up to \$700 each with support from T. Mata. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: C. Curry: yes. K. Brandjord: yes M. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. T. Mata: yes.

C. Curry made a motion to sign an agreement with the fire association for a one year term starting on July 1, 2026- June 30, 2027. The Township will contribute \$25,000 to the Fire Association for the association to provide maintenance services on the fire hall, trucks and vehicles, tools, gear and clothing and also maintain the trash in the park. This motion was supported by T. Shaffer.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: C. Curry: yes. K. Brandjord: yes M. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. T. Mata: yes.

T. Mata made a motion to install hard wired smoke detectors in the Township Hall and Library, at the request of our insurance agent, and allow the Supervisor to monitor the price of the quote, with support from K. Brandjord. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: C. Curry: yes. K. Brandjord: yes M. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. T. Mata: yes.

K. Brandjord made a motion to pay the hourly office staff their normal wages on June 22nd and 23rd, when the hall is closed for duct cleaning, with support from M. Metz. All in favor. Motion carried.

M. Metz made a motion to hire Mannik Smith's township planner, Lucie Fortin, with support from T. Mata. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: C. Curry: yes. K. Brandjord: yes M. Metz: yes: T. Shaffer: yes. T. Mata: yes.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by T. Mata with support by C. Curry. Motion carried. The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tera Shaffer, Ida Township Clerk