

**Minutes**  
**Ida Township Board Meeting**  
**July 2, 2018**  
**Ida Township Hall**  
**4700 County Rd 6 NW, Garfield, MN**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Dan Diedrich. Supervisor Jim Peterson and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Julie Kirscht were also present. Supervisor Mike Steidl and Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Kilgore were absent. The pledge of allegiance was conducted.

Diedrich announced that the recorder being used to record the meeting belongs to the clerk and is only used to assist her in taking the minutes of the meeting.

**Minutes**

**June 18, 2018 Town Board Meeting.** Diedrich made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2018 Town Board Meeting as written. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

**Roads**

- **Road Report.**
  - **Water Lily Trail.** Diedrich reported on the Todd Wheeler driveway/culvert work. With the heavy rains, the culvert installed plugged up and caused some erosion issues. Wheeler will need to install new culvert and repair driveway ditch area. Diedrich will follow up on progress and letter will be sent if action is not taken by property owner in a timely manner.
  - **Chloride.** Chloride has been applied. 18,494 gallons were used, which is down a bit from last year. Chloride was not applied to 39<sup>th</sup> or the roads to be blacktopped.
  - **Omaha Lane.** Peterson has been contacted by an Omaha Lane resident wondering if there was a possibility of reimbursement for the part of the township road that was paved last year at the association's expense.
- **West Side Improvement Project.**
  - Pre-construction meeting. Meeting was held June 26, 2018 at the Ida Town Hall with engineers and contractor. Duties and communications plans were discussed. Township will need to be notified of any Saturday work by noon the Thursday before; residents on affected roads will have access at all times.
  - Blue Rose Capital Advisors. Since Township is borrowing more than 2 million dollars a municipal advisor needs to be hired. Awaiting contract.

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business**

None.

**Mail and permits**

Mail and permits were reviewed by the Supervisors. Peterson reported that the conditional use permit for pervious pavers with a storm water plan at 5833 Bedman Drive was not approved as presented.

### **Public Comment**

**Don Erstad** commented Wild Parsnips and other noxious weeds are a problem on some properties in the Ida Estates area. Diedrich reported the weed spraying service contracted by the township has finished. A new chemical was applied to the wild parsnips and we need to wait a few more days see effectiveness.

**Steve Johnson** reported his concern of damage to road if erosion issues on Maple Circle are not addressed. Diedrich and Stabnow are monitoring Maple Circle area and will develop a plan to address the erosion and drainage issues.

**Jerry Olson** also commented on the Maple Circle erosion issue and problems with the catch basin and stand pipe.

**Cathy LeCuyer** brought a petition to remove Christopherson Road from of the West Side Improvement Project and leave as a gravel road. LeCuyer also expressed frustration regarding the omission of Christopherson Road in notices sent out to affected property owners regarding the 5-21-2018 hearing. LeCuyer is requesting the board not push this project and assessment on residents of Christopherson Road since none wish to be included. She is appealing to the board to exclude Christopherson Road from project. Diedrich will request township clerk to schedule a hearing to be held on Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, prior to the regular board meeting on the same date, for the Christopherson Road portion of the improvement plan. Notice will be sent to directly affected property owners, posted and published.

**Cheryl Arnold** commented that it sounds like this issue will be addressed by holding the hearing on August 20.

**Ron Kirscht** encouraged supervisors to consider not that you can, but whether you should include Christopherson Road in this project since the people on the road don't want it done.

**Leo LeCuyer** commented it's not like there is a parcel here and there and we're in between trying to stop the project. We are on the end. When they come let them go down the road to Water Lily Trail and do what they want. People in that area want their roads paved.

**Frank Carusso** commented that there are minutes posted on the website that detail discussions on this project and encouraged residents to review these.

**Pete Hindman** echoed the lack of mention of Christopherson Road in notice. Hindman noted that the cost will be more if residents want to pave later. Discussion on materials that will be available for residents to look at during that upcoming hearing, culverts, retention ponds, rebuilding/reclamation.

**Cheryl Arnold** inquired as to the plans and estimated start time of the Oak Ridge portion of the project. Diedrich reported possibly the middle of next week.

**Bud Nielsen** commented on the nice job done with the seal coating on Sunset Strip this year. Diedrich noted new this year was the use of fog seal which really improves the look of the road.

### **Adjourn**

Diedrich made a motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

Julie L. Kirscht  
Ida Township Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

Daniel Diedrich  
Ida Township Chairman