

Minutes
Ida Township Board Meeting
January 21, 2020
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. Supervisors Jim Peterson and Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Kilgore were also present. Supervisor Mike Steidl was absent.

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

December 16, 2019 Town Board Meeting and January 10, 2020 Board of Audit/Budget Meeting. Diedrich made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2019 Town Board Meeting and January 10, 2020 Board of Audit/Budget Meeting as written. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

Treasurer's Report

December 2019 Treasurer's Report. Diedrich made the motion to approve the December 2019 Treasurer's Report as written and presented. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

Review & Pay Bills.

Diedrich made the motion to approve the Central Specialties, Inc. pay estimate # 5 for \$15,996.77, to approve and pay the bills and to approve the following operating transfer. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

- \$ 299,953.06 from the Bremer Money Market to the Bremer Checking Account to cover the checks written.

Kilgore made the operating transfer from the Bremer Money Market Account with check 2126 and paid the bills with checks 10534-1059 from the Bremer Checking Account. Check number 10532 was voided. Check 10533 was used to pay Central Specialties pay estimate # 4. PERA was paid electronically with EFT 541859.

Roads

Road Report.

Big Horn Bay Road. Peterson reported that after paying the township share of the assessed part of the West Side Improvement project that there should be enough money from the sewer debt service fund to cover the cost of paving Big Horn Bay and Gerhkes Point without have to borrow any money. The issue with paving Big Horn Bay Road is that $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile extends into Leaf Valley Township. Peterson made the motion to have Jeff Stabnow do a feasibility study for the improvement and paving of Big Horn Bay Road and Gerhkes Point and do a separate feasibility study for the portion of the road extending into Leaf Valley Township. Diedrich seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

Signs and Speed Bumps.

- **Burr Oak Drive.** Diedrich made the motion to order a T sign for Burr Oak Drive by Pleasant Grove. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.
- **Big Chip Trail.** Diedrich made the motion to order two 35 MPH speed limit signs to replace the ones on Big Chip Trail that were stolen. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.
- **Wahtomin Trail.** Diedrich made the motion to order two rubber speed bumps and installation hardware for Wahtomin Trail. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

Chloride. Diedrich made the motion to order 14,300 gallons of chloride through Douglas County for the 2020 season. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

Old Business

Newsletter. The February newsletter was discussed. Kilgore asked that any items the supervisors wish to submit be turned in by the beginning of February.

New Business

Resolution 20-01 Absentee Ballot Board for the March 10, 2020 Township Election. Diedrich made the motion to adopt Resolution 20-01 setting the Absentee Ballot Board for the March 10, 2020 township election. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

Resolution 20-02 Wages and Compensation. Diedrich made the motion to adopt Resolution 20-02 showing the increase in pay for the Clerk/Treasurer and the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, that were approved by motion at the December town board meeting. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

Mileage Rate. The IRS mileage rate for 2020, which the township uses for our compensation, has decreased to .575 cents per mile.

Mail and Permits. The mail and permits were reviewed by the Supervisors.

Public Comment **Greg Anderson** asked for a reduced speed when pedestrians are present sign for Big Horn Bay Road. Diedrich informed him that the state and our township engineer have stated that those types of signs are ineffective on slowing people down, so the township doesn't provide those types of signs. The Town Board doesn't have any problem with residents putting up and maintaining their own signs.

Adjourn. Peterson made the motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Diedrich seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

Barbara D. Kilgore
Ida Township Clerk/Treasurer

Daniel Diedrich
Ida Township Chairman