

**Minutes**  
**Ida Township Board Meeting**  
**May 18, 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 Mike Steidl, and Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Kilgore were also present.

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**

**May 4, 2020 Town Board Meeting,** Steidl made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2020 Town Board Meeting as written. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

**Treasurer's Report**

**April 2020 Treasurer's Report.** Peterson made the motion to approve the April 2020 Treasurer's Report as written and presented. Steidl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

**Review & Pay Bills.**

Diedrich the motion to approve and pay the bills and to approve the following operating transfers. Steidl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

- \$ 2,601.96 from the Bremer Money Market to the BlackRidge Fund 301 PFA Sewer Debt Service for the May Settlement.
- \$ 30,625.77 from the Bremer Money Market to the Bremer Checking Account to cover the checks written.

Kilgore made the transfer from the Bremer Money Market Account with check 2131 and 2132 and paid the bills with checks 10622-10635 from the Bremer Checking Account. PERA was paid electronically with SOMPER000556975.

**Roads**

**Road Review.**

The Supervisors traveled the roads of the township on May 13, 2020.

- **Betsy Ross Road.** The township received a complaint regarding a plugged drainage tile by 3439 Betsy Ross Road. The Supervisors were not able to locate the drainage tile. Diedrich will contact the property owner. The also looked a water runoff issue by the Jespersion property.
- **Breezy Circle.** Diedrich will have our attorney send a letter to a property that has large rocks in the township right-of-way. There were two other properties that requested widening their driveways. Diedrich spoke to the property owners.
- **Circle Drive.** There is another property on Circle Drive that needs to remove large rocks in the right-of-way.
- **Highland Circle.** The Supervisors also reviewed a property on the inside Northwest corner of Highland Circle. The township will have the area surveyed and the road moved back where it is supposed to be.
- **Gravel.** The Supervisor's also checked on the gravel roads and approved putting approximately 125 loads of gravel. Diedrich marked a map showing where the gravel is needed.

**Seal Coating.** Diedrich made the motion to seal coat the West Side Improvement Phase 2 roads this year. Steidl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye. Township Engineer, Jeff Stabnow, had two quotes for

seal coating. Morris had the low quote. Morris Seal Coat \$44,128 and Astech \$57,918. The Board approved the Morris Seal Coat quote.

**Big Horn Bay Road Project.** Stabnow had bids for the Big Horn Bay Road Project. They were Central Specialties - \$344,279, Duinnick - \$460,495, Ferguson Asphalt - \$428,270, Mark Lee Sand & Gravel - \$360,995 and Riley Brothers- \$377,936. The Board has not approved the project. They have 60 days to act on the bids. The Board now has accurate numbers to inform the Leaf Valley Town Board of the cost.

Diedrich was contacted by Alexandria Lakes Area Sewer District that rings are needed for the manholes in the project and they cost approximately \$4,000. There are about 20 manholes in the project.

**81<sup>st</sup> Avenue West of County Road 6.** Stabnow informed the Board that to reconstruct 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue from County Road 6 west to Pleasant Grove will cost approximately \$54,637. Diedrich asked him to get quotes for the project for the June 1, 2020 town board meeting.

### Old Business

**Tornado Siren.** The Board tabled looking into a Tornado Siren for now.

**Agreements.** The signed the agreements between RBS Excavating and Okerlund Graveling for the 2020-2021 season.

### New Business

**Douglas County Assessor Contract.** Diedrich made the motion to sign the four-year contract with the Douglas County Assessors Office for doing the parcel assessments for 2021-2022 at \$7.75 per parcel and 2023-2024 at \$8.00 per parcel. Steidl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

**Lake Charley Cemetery.** The Board is considering hiring Greg Cabana as caretaker for the Lake Charley Cemetery. Mr. Cabana was unable to attend the meeting. Diedrich made the motion to table the issue until the June 1, 2020 town board meeting. Steidl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

Diedrich made the motion to approve Bip Builders to treat the weeds on the upper cemetery level and poison ivy on the lower level and spray the Town Hall property for weeds. Steidl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

**Town Hall.** Kilgore had an estimate from Master Builders for \$1602.13 to repair the town hall roof and replace some of the ceiling tiles to fix roof leaking issues and damage. Diedrich made the motion to go ahead with the repairs. Steidl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

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

### Public Comment

**Glen VanAmber** asked how the sewer availability charges would be handled for the plat that the Fahlgren Properties are putting in by Lake Ida Way and 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue. Since the developer is putting in the sewer line, the Ida Township Ordinance states that each property would be charged \$2500 upon hook up. The Board agreed that the sewer line did not have to be bored under the road to a small part of the plat that is across the road.

**Adjourn.** Steidl made the motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

Barbara D. Kilgore  
Ida Township Clerk/Treasurer

Daniel Diedrich  
Ida Township Chairman