

**Minutes**  
**Ida Township Board Meeting**  
**June 15, 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**

**June 1, 2020 Town Board Meeting**, Steidl made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2020 Town Board Meeting as written. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-abstained.

**Treasurer's Report**

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

**Review & Pay Bills.**

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

- \$ 26,756.25 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 2133 and paid the bills with checks 10636-10653 from the Bremer Checking Account. PERA was paid electronically with SOMPER000560530.

**Roads**

**Road Report**. Diedrich reported that Okerlund is in the process of putting gravel on the roads as noted on the Road Review. Diedrich will recheck the gravel roads for other spots still needing gravel.

**Weed Inspections**. Diedrich is getting a quote for a specialist who will check for noxious weeds and spray where needed.

**3439 Betsy Ross Culvert**. Diedrich will check the culvert by 3439 Betsy Ross Road to see if we need to have the culvert blown open and what we can do to keep it from filling up again.

**Highland Circle**. Diedrich informed the board that after Stoeckel-Jahner surveyed the northwest corner, RBS will move the road back to where it is supposed to be inside the township right-of-way.

**Wahtomin Trail Speed Bumps**. The Board consulted with a MN Association of Township Attorney and since the Town Board is the Road Authority for Township Roads, it is legal for the Board to install speed bumps on a township road. The Board will leave the speed bumps in place until after Labor Day. Diedrich made the motion to order and install two blind approach signs on each side of the Chippewa Trails

Development on Wahtomin Trail. Steidl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

#### **Big Horn Bay Road Project.**

- **Leaf Valley Agreement.** Diedrich has consulted with the Leaf Valley Town Board and they said that we can go ahead with the project. The Township's attorney, is working on an agreement between the townships. Leaf Valley will also require a service district agreement will need to be put in place for future maintenance of the blacktop road in their township.
- **Set Hearing Date.** Steidl made the motion to set the first hearing on the project for July 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ida Township Hall. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye. Because of the Governor's orders for COVID-19, social distancing will be in place for the hearing.

#### **81<sup>st</sup> Avenue**

- **West of County Road 6.** Diedrich informed the Board that Engineer, Stabnow, has found that more extensive work needs to be done on the upgrade. It will require three new centerline culverts, more ditch work and the power lines are located in the center of the road. This will increase the cost of the road work to an estimated \$100,000.
- **Tile Work by Lake Ida Way.** Stabnow is working with a developer to coordinate the tile work needed along 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue to Lake Ida Way with work on a new development being constructed in the same area. The tile will be installed this summer.

#### **Old Business**

**Caroline Beach Petition.** Peterson submitted a petition to create a Township Road to be named Caroline Beach Road from an access road. The estimated cost of upgrading the access road to Township Standards is \$6,350. The amount will be assessed to the property owners who live on the road. Kilgore verified that the signatures on the petition are valid registered voters in the township and live within three miles of the road. Steidl made the motion to set the on-site hearing for July 20, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

#### **New Business**

**Town Hall Rental and Use.** Due to the Governor's Orders, the Town Hall will continue to be closed to rentals and community meetings, outside of Township meetings, until further notice.

**Lake Charley Cemetery.** The Board has hired Greg Cabana to be the Manager of the Lake Charley Cemetery for a period beginning April 1 through November 1 for the payment of \$1500 each year. Mr. Cabana presented the Board with the cost of materials to rebuild the posts of the Cemetery sign. The material costs will be \$191.54. Steidl made the motion to approve the improvement to the sign posts. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye. Steidl made the motion to rescind Ida Township Resolution 08-21 creating the Lake Charley Cemetery Committee. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

**Resolution 20-07 Gardonville Cable Franchise.** Steidl made the motion to adopt Resolution 20-07 to extend the Gardonville Cooperative Video Delivery System Franchise for a period of 15 years. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye, Steidl-aye.

**ALASD Report.** Glenn VanAmber, our representative on the ALASD Board, gave a short report and presented the 2019 Financial and Operation Report for ALASD to the township. The report is on file in the Clerk's office. Diedrich thanked Van Amber for his work and service to the township.

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

**Public Comment**

**John Olsen** reported Wild Parsnip growing on private property on Memory Lane. Diedrich informed him that the township will be spraying in the Township right-of-way. John also informed the Board of a tree that has fallen over and leaning on other trees on Memory Lane and could be hazard. Diedrich will check on the tree.

**Adjourn.** Steidl made the motion to adjourn at 8:55 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