Minutes Ida Township Board Meeting February 19, 2019 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 was 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

January 22, 2019 Board of Audit, January 22, 2019 Town Board Meeting. Diedrich made the motion to approve the minutes of both the January 22, 2019 Board of Audit and the January 22, 2019 Town Board Meeting as written, Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

Treasurer's Report

January 2019 Treasurer's Report. Kirscht noted that:

- 1. Interest will be due on the Bond 2018A Bond August 1, 2019 in the amount of \$72,208.25.
- 2. Road Distribution funds were received on February 7, 2019 in the amount of 27,232.98.

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

Review & Pay Bills. Diedrich made the motion to review and pay the bills and approve the following operating transfer:

• \$15,372.88 from the Bremer Money Market to the Bremer Checking Account to cover the checks written.

Peterson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye. Kirscht made the operating transfers from the Bremer Money Market Account with check 2109. She paid the bills with checks 10298-10312 from the Bremer Checking Account. PERA was paid electronically with EFT 499039 and check number 10277 was voided.

Bremer Bank Certificate of Deposit. Certificate of Deposit (CD) will mature and automatically renew on February 26, 2019. Diedrich made the motion to approve the annual renewal CD. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye.

<u>Roads</u>

Road Report. Diedrich reported calls for icy roads and plowing issues are down this year. RBS is doing a very good job.

West Side Improvement Project.

• **Project Update.** Blaine Green (WSN), reported that there are (4) easements that they've not heard back on. WSN will be sending a third round of letters to them. If still no response, the next round of letters will likely be sent Certified Mail with Return Receipt requested to be sure the

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parcel owners are receiving the notices. Green reported that plans are about 95% complete and specifications are pretty much done.

- **Bid Opening Date Change.** Due to rules prohibiting the town board of supervisors from holding a meeting between the hours of 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm on the day an election is held, the bid opening has been changed from Tuesday, March 12, 2019 to Wednesday, March 13, 2019. Same time and place.
- **Tree Removal.** Because of cutting restrictions in place to protect bat nesting activity, removal must be done prior to April 1, 2019. Brush is to be hauled away. Quotes received from RBS (27,800.00) and Klimek's Tree Service (\$22,500.00). Diedrich made a motion to accept the quote from Klimek's Tree Service and have them start whenever they can. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Diedrich-aye, Peterson-aye. WSN will send notify homeowners in writing that Klimek's Tree Service will be out cutting trees in the right of way.
- 2019 Chloride. Estimated need for 2019 is 17,000 gallons.

Old Business

Glenn Van Amber reported that ALASD is moving forward with their remodel project.

New Business

Certificate of Right to Burial # 22. Certificate of Right to Burial # 2 in the Lake Charley Cemetery of Block Two, Lot 46 to Grantee Barbara Kilgore was entered into the town record.

Newsletter. The Township Newsletter has been completed and will be mailed to residents once payment for postage is received.

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

Public Comment

Glenn Van Amber asked what the net increase on the 2020 levy is. Diedrich reported that the net proposed increase is 75, 000.00.

Wes Smith asked if the Fire Department and First Responders are on the same budget, that a donation to the Fire Department is a donation to the First Responders. Diedrich stated yes.

Adjourn. Diedrich made the motion to adjourn at 8:03 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