## Town of Ira Select Board Meeting Minutes Date: August 26, 2025

Present: Nathan Hewitt, Tim Carter, Darin May, Deb Perry, Bobbi Raiche, Bob Toppin, Jerri Hoffman Nathan called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Review and approve agenda: Nathan made a motion to approve the agenda, Darin 2<sup>nd</sup>; passed unanimously. Warrant for bills: Tim made a motion to approve & sign the 08/26/25 warrant, Nathan 2<sup>nd</sup>; passed unanimously. Nathan made a motion to approve the 07/22/25 and 08/05/25 meeting minutes, Tim 2<sup>nd</sup>; passed unanimously.

## **Business and Administrative**

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	RESOLUTION
Select Board	Discuss Green Mountain Wireless Society's use of the Town Hall	Bob Kirbach spoke with Nathan about the Society conducting their meetings at the Town Hall. Nathan will advise Bob that the Society will need to rent the Town Hall if they wish to use it for their meetings.
	Town Hall use rental agreement (2) signed: Game Night 9/20/25 and Potluck 11/8/25	The two rental agreements have been signed.
Treasurer Report	Updating computers	The Lister's and Town Clerk's computers need to be updated to Windows 11; updates must be done by October 14 when support for Windows 10 ends. The cost of upgrading is \$3387.52. Darin made a motion to update Tim 2 <sup>nd</sup> ; passed unanimously. Agreement is with Silloway.
Highway Business	General Road/equipment update	Tim will pick up guard rail parts from Lafayette in Essex Junction since they cannot deliver anytime soon.
	Summer road work discussion	Tree has been taken down across from Black's property on West Road. Riprap has been added by Fitzgerald's and the washout on Pyka Rd. has been fixed.
	Winter sand and salt or- der	An order for salt will be put in soon with Cargill. Sand will be ordered from Mars pit. Additional gravel needs to be added for grit.
	Discuss wing on town truck	Tim has received pricing for the wing itself\$1645. He has attempted to call Viking several times to get pricing on required parts for attaching the wing, but they have not called him back. May be cheaper to buy new plow.
	Winter road employee	Tim is going to follow up with Jimmy Mars to confirm he will plow roads and town office & town hall parking lots.  Then we can reenroll him in the pool for drug testing.
	Review letter from Fabi- ans regarding Young's Brook Dam	The letter was reviewed by Tim Martin and all looked good. Fabian has provided updated insurance. Fabian will put down more chloride.

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	DHP work on Toppin Road at David Gates driveway	Dave Kerstetter is working on driveway but indicated that he gets sucked into the 4' ditch due to the angle of the road on the corner. It was felt that the town road needs to be built up. Tim and Darin are to inspect the road.
TOPIC		
<b>Public Comments</b>	None	None
Maintenance & Repairs to Town Buildings	Report of maintenance concerns from monthly inspection by DHP	Old schoolhouse front door shimmed; at a point in the future, the door frame needs to be rebuilt. Replaced bulb in office light. Trim on old schoolhouse door installed. Fuel tank room at Town Hall siding and railing still not done.  There was discussion on roof of school; Tim will contact James Mailhiot to see if he could look at school roof.  Nathan would like to see the school addition removed and return it to the original structure and get someone to take ownership of it.
Cemetery Committee	None	None
New or Other Business		Tim mentioned resupplying first aid kits at Town Hall and Garage.  Bobbi received a phone call from resident regarding speeders on West Street.
Executive Session (legal, personnel, real estate)	None	None
Adjourn		Nathan made a motion to adjourn at 6:45, Darin 2 <sup>nd</sup> ; passed unanimously.

In my capacity as the minute recorder for the Ira Select Board, I certify that the above is a true and accurate copy of the approval minutes of the board meeting held on August 26, 2025.

Recording: Jerri Hoffman