

¹**Minutes**
Ida Township Board of Audit
January 30, February 4, 2008
Ida Township Hall
4700 County Rd 6 NW, Garfield, MN 56332

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Chairman Mike Rosenwald. Supervisors Orin Blegen, Jim Conn, Clerk Barbara Kilgore and Treasurer Palmer Krueger were also present.

The pledge of allegiance was conducted.

Rosenwald announced that the tapes being used to tape the meeting belong to the clerk and are only used to assist her in taking the minutes of the meeting.

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Rosenwald stated that we are here to review the financial books of the township for the year. Rosenwald made a motion to review every tenth check ending with the number that is randomly drawn from 0-9. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.

Conn picked number 1 from a pot including numbers 0-9 that were folded so the numbers could not be seen. The board went through the Bremer Checking account registers of the clerk and treasurer reviewing each check that ended with the number 1.

Conn made a motion that after random review of the Bremer Checking account, we found that it reconciled in all respects. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.

Rosenwald made a motion to review the 7-T project checking account ending in a number that we will draw at random. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye. Blegen chose number 2. The board went through the 7-T Checking account registers of the clerk and treasurer reviewing each check that ended with the number 2.

Rosenwald made a motion stating we reviewed the 7-T account and found two minor errors that were corrected and accept the books as written. Conn seconded the motion. Two more checks were found to be reviewed. Rosenwald withdrew his motion. Rosenwald made the motion that we reviewed and made three corrections to the 7-T checking account and accept the account as accurate now. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.

Rosenwald stated that since the board reviews the receipts monthly, he didn't feel a need to go through them again now. The board also reviewed the report of outstanding indebtedness.

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The board was not ready to decide on the recommended levies and budget for 2009. At 6:30 PM, Rosenwald made a motion to recess to reconvene during the regular town board meeting on February 4, 2008. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.

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Rosenwald reconvened the Board of Audit Meeting at 7:35 PM.

After reviewing and discussing the budget report put together by Rosenwald, the following motions are the levies for 2009 that the board will recommend at that annual meeting:

- **Revenue Fund.** Conn made a motion to reduce the Revenue Fund from \$60,000 for 2008 to \$45,000 for 2009. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.
- **Road & Bridge Fund.** Conn made a motion to reduce the Road & Bridge Fund from \$250,000 for 2008 to \$120,000 for 2009. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.
- **Fire Protection Fund.** Rosenwald made a motion to increase the Fire Protection Fund from \$35,000 for 2008 to \$60,000 for 2009. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.
- **ALASD.** Conn made a motion to increase the ALASD Fund from \$70,000 for 2008 to \$80,000 for 2009. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.
- **Pavement Maintenance/Road & Bridge Fund.** Conn made motion to increase the Pavement Maintenance Fund from \$5,000 for 2008 to \$15,000 for 2009, and include the amount in the Road & Bridge Fund, thereby making the making the Road & Bridge Fund recommendation for 2009 \$135,000 instead of \$120,000. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Conn amended his motion to include that we would no longer have a specific pavement maintenance fund. Rosenwald seconded the amended motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-opposed. Blegen totally opposed to doing away with the fund; stated we worked hard to get this fund and we should save the money for future use. Conn stated that since the township is required to maintain all the roads in the township the amount should be included in the Road & Bridge Fund.
- **Blacktop & Upgrade Fund.** Conn made a motion to decrease the Blacktop & Upgrade Fund from \$100,000 for 2008 to \$60,000 for 2009. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-opposed. Blegen opposed because he feels we worked hard to get the levy up to where it is and the extra money should be saved for future projects.

- **7-T Debt Service Fund.** Rosenwald made a motion that we accept \$60,000 for the 7-T Debt Service Fund. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-opposed.

Conn complimented Rosenwald on the good job he did on the budget analysis and noted that these recommendations will reduce the 2008 total levy of \$520,000 to \$440,000 for 2009.

Blegen made a motion to have the budget as a printed handout for the annual meeting. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.

Adjourn

Rosenwald made a motion to adjourn at 8:10 PM. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.

Barbara D. Kilgore
Ida Township Clerk

Mike Rosenwald
Ida Township Chairman