

¹**Minutes**
Ida Township Board Meeting
January 22, 2008
Ida Township Hall
4700 County Rd 6 NW, Garfield, MN 56332

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Mike Rosenwald. Supervisor Orin Blegen, Clerk Barbara Kilgore and Treasurer Palmer Krueger were also present. Supervisor Jim Conn was absent

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.

Minutes of the January 7, 2008 Town Board Meeting Rosenwald made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2008 town board meeting as written. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Minutes of the Betsy Ross Ross Point Vacation Hearing January 16, 2008 Blegen made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Betsy Ross Point Road Access vacation with the addition that Mr. Nunes agreed with Mr. Timm. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Minutes of the Lake Ida Way North Vacation Hearing January 16, 2008 Rosenwald made the motion to approve the minutes of the Lake Ida Way North Road vacation hearing with the addition to the second page that Blegen said someone did already go off of the steep embankment north of the Peterson Farm. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Treasurer's Report Krueger gave the December Treasurer's Report. Rosenwald made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Mileage rate Rosenwald made a motion to change the mileage rate effective January 1, 2008 to .505 per mile to tie in with the IRS approved rate. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Review and Pay Bills Blegen made the motion to review and pay bills. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye. Krueger paid the approved claims with checks 6724-6755, from the Bremer checking account; check number 6734 was voided, checks 5092-5100 from the 7-T Capital Project Fund, and check 2110 from the Bedman Drive Debt Service Fund.

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Roads

7T Road Project

- **Mark Sand & Gravel Letter.** The board approved sending Rosenwald's letter to Mark, Sand & Gravel informing them of when we would have funds available to pay them for blacktopping the 7-T project next summer and requesting to be kept informed of their schedule.
- **Canyon Contracting Equipment Rental.** Rosenwald reported that at a previous meeting the board had acted by motion not to pay the invoice for equipment rental for costs Canyon Contracting incurred for machinery rental for work that had been canceled for Wahtomin Trail, because there were 80 hours of use on the road grader. However, Gary Walsh informed him that he had to keep the equipment for a month, so he used it on Bedman Drive and for other situations. Blegen made a motion to table the issue until next meeting. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.
- **Penalties.** Rosenwald reported that after conferring with Stabnow he was informed that some gravel and work was done that was over and above the work included in the contract on both Bedman Drive and Lake Ida Way South and suggested reducing the penalty for Anderson Contracting and Canyon Contracting. Rosenwald made a motion to issue a check for \$1,000 to both Anderson Contracting and Canyon Contracting for additional work they did over and above the contract for two days worth of work totaling \$1,000. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Betsy Ross Point Road Vacation

- **Resolution 08-01.** Rosenwald made a motion to adopt Resolution 08-01 vacating the road access on Betsy Ross Point. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.
- **Order Vacating the Road** Rosenwald reported that the township cannot do the agreed 80/20 land split, that we can only vacate the road and it is up to the landowners to take care of the dividing up the land. Rosenwald made a motion to accept the order vacating the road. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Lake Ida Way Vacation/Dedication

- **Resolution 08-02.** Rosenwald made a motion to adopt Resolution 08-02 vacating the portion of Lake Ida Way and reserving the sewer easement. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.
- **Order Vacating the Road.** Rosenwald made a motion to adopt the order vacating this described section of Lake Ida Way. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.
- **Resolution 08-03.** Rosenwald made a motion to adopt Resolution 08-03 accepting the dedication of the new section of Lake Ida Way and establishing a town road. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Other Blegen reported that there is a sign down on Lake Ida Way and Cottontail Lane. He said we will have to check it in the spring as the ground is too frozen to put up a new one.

Old Business

- **Budget.** Rosenwald reported that he made up a budget for the board to examine, so it can be discussed at the next meeting. The Board of Audit will be held on January 30, 2008 at 5:30 PM.
- **Newsletter.** Articles need to be end by the end of the month, so the Newsletter can be approved at the February 4, 2008 town board meeting.
- **Cemetery.** Rosenwald reported that Curt Stoeckel is available and will provide an estimate on the costs to survey and lay out the Lake Charley Cemetery. No action was taken.

New Business

- **ALASD WIF certification.** Rosenwald reported that this is a PFA required fund that the township needs to have for making repairs to the sewer, if needed, in the future. Currently ALASD has been taking care of this for the township as stated in their contract with us. ALASD is proposing that the township set up its own fund and ALASD will send us check for what they already have in their fund for us and then the township will have to annually put the amount into the fund for \$.10 for each 1,000 gallons of flow. After the required time period, until 2026, the township will be able to do whatever it wants with the money. The township should receive a letter from the PFA regarding this issue. No action was taken at this time.
- **Exterminator.** There seems to be rodents living above the ceiling of the town hall. Kilgore will get an estimate from an exterminator.
- **Certificate of Deposit.** Rosenwald made a motion to take \$20,500 from the Road & Bridge Fund and invest it in a CD at the best interest rate Palmer can find. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.
- **Park & Rec Donation.** The Douglas County Park & Rec has requested that the township donate 25% of its park donations (\$2,562.50) from developments to the Kensington Runestone Park because it is a regional park. Issue tabled until the February 4, 2008.

Mail and Permits The mail and permits were passed around for the board to examine.

Public Comment

Glen Van Amber commented that the accident on Lake Ida Way was not on the new portion of the road.

Adjourn Blegen made the motion to adjourn at 8:57 PM. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Barbara D. Kilgore
Ida Township Clerk

Mike Rosenwald
Ida Township Chairman