

¹**Minutes**
Ida Township Board Meeting
February 1, 2010
Ida Township Hall
4700 County Rd 6 NW, Garfield, MN 56332

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

The pledge of allegiance was conducted.

Blegen 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

Blegen made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2010 Town Board Meeting with the correction to page 3 the report of annual indebtedness was made to the County not the state. Scarcy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Blegen-aye, Scarcy-aye.

Blegen made the motion to approve the January 20, 2010 Board of Audit Meeting as written. Scarcy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Blegen-aye, Scarcy-aye.

Roads

- **Snowplowing.** Blegen reported that the roads are in rough shape and need plowing and sanding.

Old Business

- **Cartway Update.** Kilgore informed the Board that Kristi Hastings, the Township's Attorney, informed her that the parties involved in the Cartway issue had reached an agreement of \$20,000 damages for permitting a Cartway be built across the Thorson's property, before they went into court. The damages will be made to the Township and the Township will forward the money to the Thorsons. Since an agreement was made the case is closed and there will be no appeals.
- **Burkeys Lane update.** Kilgore reported that Kristi Hastings had sent an e-mail with the Scheduling Order for the Burkeys Lane law suit. All discoveries must be completed by May 1, 2010 the discoveries have to be filed with the Court by June 1, 2010 and mediation will have to be held before September 15, 2010. If no agreement is reached that matter will go to trial under Judge Battey.

- **Newsletter.** Searcy made the motion to approve the Newsletter as prepared by Barb to go out in February with the correction on page 3 of the spelling of acknowledgement. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Blegen-aye Searcy-aye.

New Business

- **Weed Report.** Blegen and Searcy signed the Annual Weed Report. Kilgore will send in to Tom Anderson, County Ag Inspector.
- **Other.**
 - **Town Hall.** Kilgore stated she had been contacted by the PAT committee from Garfield Elementary School asking if they could use the Town Hall for a garage sale fund raiser. In the past the Board allowed them to hold their garage sale at the Town Hall with a \$100 damage deposit and no rental fee. Blegen made the motion to handle this matter the same way we did in the past. Searcy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Blegen-aye, Searcy-aye.
 - **State Disaster Relief.** Blegen reported that the township received \$945.39 from the State for their share of the flooding damage that occurred last spring.
 - **Candidates for Office.** Searcy noted that we have two people who filed for office for the Supervisor position. Clet Blegen and Dan Diedrich and one candidate for clerk. Barb Kilgore

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

Public Comment

- **Glen VanAmber** had a question concerning the proposed levy the Board approved at the Board of Audit. He asked Krueger if there is a problem with letting the fund balances go below a negative balance knowing that funds will be coming that will bring it back up to a positive balance. Krueger wasn't sure as it had never happened before. Kilgore said she would contact the Township's Auditor to find out. VanAmber also asked where the money that is levied for ALASD goes. It has doubled over the past five years. Kilgore informed him that Rosenwald is our representative on the ALASD Board. VanAmber would like a report from Rosenwald about where that money is going.
- **Dick Berg** stated that the Board stating that the chloride costs have to be within 10% of the amount charged by County last year was giving AJ too much leeway. Blegen stated we are going to go with a thinner coat so the cost is more in line with what we paid last year.
- **Wes Smith** noted that he thought AJ was putting down too much chloride in the past as it was running off the road into people's grass.

Adjourn Blegen made the motion to adjourn at 8:04 pm. Searcy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Blegen-aye, Searcy-aye

Barbara D. Kilgore
Ida Township Clerk

Orin C. Blegen
Ida Township Chairman