

¹**Minutes**
Ida Township Board Meeting
March 2, 2009
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 James Conn was absent.

The pledge of allegiance was conducted.

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

Rosenwald recessed the meeting and reconvened the Board of Audit Meeting at 7:30 pm.

- See Board of Audit Minutes January 26, 2009

Rosenwald reconvened the Board Meeting at 7:33 PM

Minutes of the January 25, 2009 Board of Audit Meeting. Blegen made the motion to approve the January 25, 2009 Board of Audit minutes as written. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Approval of the Minutes of February 17, 2009 Town Board Meeting and the Minutes of the February 25, 2009 Cartway Mediation were tabled until the March 16, 2009 Town Board Meeting.

Roads

- **Posting of Township Roads.** Blegen reported that in past years he had noticed PAZ Excavating trucks traveling on the township roads pretty early in the season when the roads were still soft. Blegen checked with AJ regarding posting the roads this spring. AJ advised against posting the roads because of the added expense of purchasing and putting up signs and no one checks or enforces the postings. Also, all of the County roads in the area are already posted year round. Rosenwald said he would call PAZ Excavating and tell them not to use their trucks on the township roads so early in the season.
- **Tractor/Mower.** Blegen informed the Board that he had shown the Tractor & Mower to representatives from Moe Township, but they thought the equipment was too big and expensive for their use. Rosenwald said he would contact the County Engineer to see how they get rid of their old equipment.
- **Chloride-Schifsky Letter.** Mark Schifsky sent a letter requesting that Water Lily Trail be added to the roads that receive chloride the full width of the road to the Township

Chloride Policy because of its heavy usage. Blegen would like to act on the issue now. Rosenwald said it would be appropriate to wait until we have a new board member and a full board present at the meeting to act on the issue. The issue was tabled until the April 6, 2009 Town Board Meeting.

- **Eagle's Landing Roads.** Blegen said he was informed that the roads in the Eagles Landing are not being plowed. Blegen said that he had contacted AJ and let him know that the roads in the development have not been accepted by the township and are not township roads. Rosenwald stated the development is in the process of being sold and he is checking on the status of the bond that the County is holding for completion of the roads in the development.

Old Business

- **January Treasurer's Report.** Krueger explained the monthly report. Rosenwald made the motion to approve the January 2009 Treasurer's Report. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

New Business

- **Sunrise Bay LLC.** Tom Klemminghagen from Land Team addressed the Board on behalf of the Betterman Family. Larry and Lane Betterman were present and represented the family formed Limited Liability Corporation, Sunrise Bay, LLC. Klemminghagen presented a map showing the site plan and where it is located. The map is on file in the clerk's office. The property is located on the West side of Lake Ida in sections 22 and 23, East of Lake Ida Way. Klemminghagen had approached the Ida Town Board regarding this property in October of 2007. No action was taken at that time. Since then more work has been done on the project. The ordinary high water mark has been determined. The Betterman family would like to divide the property up between five family members and possibly sell one or two lots to pay for the road. In order to do that, the property needs to be platted. There is an issue with constructing and improving the existing road, which is currently a seasonal drive way to 21-23 homes, because in the area close to the lake there is not enough room to put in a 66-foot road without filling in the lake or the wetlands, which cannot be done by a private entity and since there is only 56 feet in some areas the County would not approve the plat. The Betterman Family would like the Ida Town Board to take over the deed for the road; the Betterman Family would pay all costs for building the new road and would then be able to present the plat to the County for approval with the road already in place. There is an urgency to get the plan approved because the DNR is proposing a State Shore land Ordinance, which would prohibit mitigation of any wetlands within 75 feet of a lake, and would make the plan impossible to do. Rosenwald will discuss the issue with the Township's Attorney and noted that our Township Engineer would have to be involved in the planning and overseeing the road construction if approved. Rosenwald pointed out that there are issues with the current Township Developers Agreement requiring a two year warranty and maintenance on newly constructed roads after they are accepted by the Township. Blegen thinks that road would be difficult to maintain because of the wetlands.
- **Annual Meeting Agenda.** The Board approved and set the agenda for the annual meeting.

- **Upcoming Events.**
 - **Spring Short Course.** March 26, 2009
 - **Board of Equalization.** April 13, 2009 at 9:00 am.
- **Town Hall Mowing.** Blegen made the motion to keep Jim Mason as our lawn maintenance person for not more than \$600 for one year. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

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

Public Comment

- **Glen Van Amber** asked why snow plowing was done so late in the day after the recent heavy snow fall. Blegen informed him that plowing didn't start until 2:00 PM. because it wouldn't have done any good before that time.

Adjourn Blegen made the motion to adjourn at 8:48 PM. Rosenwald seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Blegen-aye.

Barbara D. Kilgore
Ida Township Clerk

Mike Rosenwald
Ida Township Chairman