

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
IRA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020**

The Ira Township Board of Trustees met in the board room of the Ira Township Hall on September 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Board members present: James Endres Jr., Thomas Lauer, Thomas Eder, James Jacob and Jean Corbat
Absent: None

J. Endres Jr. moved to amend the agenda adding item N. Budget Revision 20-21 #1, supported by T. Eder
All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

MINUTES:

J. Jacob moved to approve the minutes of the 8/3/2020 regular and 8/18/20 special meetings, supported by T. Eder.
All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

CORRESPONDENCE:

- EGLE Public Notice RE 9849 Dixie Highway
- EGLE Public Notice RE 9829 Dixie Highway
- EGLE Public Notice RE 9841 Dixie Highway
- MTA Picnic in the Park September 24, 2020 @ Fort Gratiot County Park
- Notice RE Solid Waste Disposal Fee Increase

Correspondence acknowledged and filed.

OLD BUSINESS:

MGM Dumpster Amendment to Approved Site Plan - Case #20-420

T. Lauer moved to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and Building Official to approve the Amended Site Plan as presented, conditioned upon installation of fire sprinklers or fire separation in the building addition and conditioned upon combination of three (3) lots, identified as parcels 74-23-460-003-150, 74-23-460-003-100 and 74-23-460-003-050, before any building permit is issued, supported by J. Endres Jr.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

NEW BUSINESS:

Temporary Outdoor Dining Area Application of Off The Hook Sports Grill

T. Eder moved to approve the Outdoor Dining Area Application submitted by Off the Hook Sports Grill, supported by J. Jacob.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Temporary Outdoor Dining Area Application of Bucks Dixie Diner LLC

T. Lauer moved to approve the Outdoor Dining Area Application submitted by Bucks Dixie Diner LLC, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Clay Police - Monthly Additional Charges

J. Jacob moved to approve the additional monthly charge of \$760.00 from the Clay Township Police Department, for additional services rendered during the month of August 2020, supported by J. Corbat.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Municode Ordinance Codification - Supplement 15

T. Lauer moved to approve the recommendation of the Township Clerk for compilation of ordinances by Municode - Supplement No. 15, in an amount not to exceed \$850.00, supported by J. Jacob.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Water Plant Meters

J. Endres Jr. moved to accept the recommendation of the DPS Supervisor and approve the proposal from Flow Gas & Moisture Solutions, Inc., in the amount of \$20,389.00 to replace meters for the Water Treatment Plant, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

DPS Fire Suppression System

T. Lauer moved to accept the recommendation of the DPS Supervisor and approve the proposal from Cintas in the amount of \$1,943.80 to replace a 20-foot section of pipe for the fire suppression system in the DPS garage, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Silversmith Asset Management Software

T. Lauer moved to accept the recommendation of the DPS Supervisor and approve the proposal from Silversmith Data to purchase interactive asset management software relative to data obtained during the SAW grant project, with an initial fee of \$2,000.00 and annual renewal of \$1,000.00, supported by J. Jacob.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Water System Reliability Study and General Plan Update

J. Corbat moved to accept the recommendation of the DPS Supervisor and approve the proposal from Project Control Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$7,170.00 to complete a State required Reliability Study and General Plan update, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Sophos Firewall

J. Jacob moved to accept the recommendation of the DPS Supervisor and approve the proposal from Hi-Tech in the amount of \$1,480.00 to replace the existing Sophos Firewall Network Security system, supported by T. Lauer.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Lift Station Generator

J. Endres Jr. moved to accept the recommendation of the DPS Supervisor and approve the proposal from Ziller Electric in the amount of \$57,525.00 to purchase a portable generator for the sewer lift stations, supported by J. Jacob.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Water Plant Valves

T. Lauer moved to accept the recommendation of the DPS Supervisor and approve the proposal from Kennedy Industries in the amount of \$108,036.00 to replace valves at the Water Plant, supported by J. Jacob.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Agreement for LCC Inspections and Enforcement

T. Lauer moved to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Agreement for Liquor Control Commission Inspections and Enforcement with Clay Township, as presented, supported by J. Jacob.

All voting yes. Opposing: None **MOTION CARRIED**

Adoption of RES 20-09-01 Local Road Funding Assistance Program

J. Corbat moved to adopt Resolution 20-09-01 Local Road Funding Assistance Program for an improvement on Long Island Court, supported by T. Eder.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: James Endres Jr., Thomas Lauer, Jim Jacob, Tom Eder and Jean Corbat

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

Budget Revision 20/21 #1

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9/8 meeting

General Fund

Supervisor

101-171-704 Wages – Part Time Employees 4,800.00

101-171-709 Payroll Taxes 370.00

Net effect on budget will be a \$ 5,170.00 increase to the expenses

T. Lauer moved to approve Budget Revision 20/21 #1 for the General Fund, supported by J. Jacob.

All voting yes. Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS:

Police Run Report- August 2020

Building Permits - August 2020

Code Enforcement - August 2020

DPS

- B. Schwark has completed probationary period and is now eligible for a pay increase per the contract;
- Lake Park Water Main Replacement Project is completed; minor touch up on driveways;
- Scada at Plant almost done;

Parks & Recreation

- Director's Report and Update;
- Eagle Scout Project;

Fire Run Report

- Steady month for calls;
- Reviewing improvements for building;
- Reviewing equipment and vehicles upgrades;

Supervisor:

- Attended Open House at Total Life Changes (TLC); TLC is now the Township's largest employer with 430 employees working 3 shifts;

Clerk:

- Statistics for voter turnout for August 2020 Primary
- Update on November 3rd Presidential Election including estimated ballot delivery date and increase in AV applications;
- Update on State of Michigan reimbursement for expenses of March 2020 Presidential Primary Election;

Treasurer

- Bank Balances as of 9-1-2020;
- Water / Sewer Adjustments - August 2020;
- Building Department Adjustments - August 2020;

Trustee Eder:

- Parks & Recs Commission welcomed new member Marisa Siewert
- Thank you to Lisa Robinson;

DISBURSEMENTS:

T. Lauer moved to pay the following disbursements totaling \$311,070.69 and supported by J. Endres Jr.

All voting yes. Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

Reg	
Fund 101 General Government	\$ 72,066.19
Fund 206 Fire Fund	\$ 54,879.84
Fund 592 Water / Sewer Fund	\$182,201.35
ACH	
Fund 101 General Government	\$ 161.41
Fund 206 Fire Fund	\$ 1,342.16
Fund 592 Water / Sewer Fund	\$ 419.74
Total for All Funds	\$311,070.69

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Gloria Yaquito (7938 Vernier) inquired on code enforcement for neighbor living at 7920 Vernier Lane;

Janeil Kelley (7523 Dyke Road) requested information on Building Department and Code Enforcement reports referenced at meeting;

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss and on the motion of T. Lauer and supported by J. Endres Jr., the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean Corbat, Clerk