

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
IRA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AUGUST 4, 2025**

The Ira Township Board of Trustees met in the boardroom of the Ira Township Hall on August 4, 2025 at 7:02 p.m. The meeting was called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Board members present: James Endres Jr., Thomas Eder, Thomas Lauer, Stella Ruhlman and Jean Corbat

MINUTES:

S. Ruhlman moved to approve the minutes of the 7/7/25 regular and 7/15/25 special meetings, supported by T. Eder.

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

St. Clair County MTA Meeting
SEMCO Energy
Anchor Bay Chamber Business by the Bay Luncheon
Acknowledged and filed

OLD BUSINESS:

Police Protection Ballot Question

T. Lauer moved to amend the prior Board motion and approve a ballot proposal for renewal of the previously approved millage of 1.5 mills and a new additional millage of 1.5 mills for a total millage of 3.0 mills for renewal and increase of police protection within the Township of Ira for a period of 6 years, 2025 through 2030, said ballot question to be submitted to the electors of the Township at the November 4, 2025 election, supported by S. Ruhlman.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

RES 25-08-01 Approving Ballot Proposition for Police Protection Millage

T. Lauer moved to adopt Resolution 25-08-01 Approving Ballot Proposition for Police Protection Millage, for renewal and increase of police protection within the Township of Ira, supported by S. Ruhlman.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: James Endres Jr., Thomas Lauer, Thomas Eder, Stella Ruhlman and Jean Corbat

Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED** **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

Clay Police - July 2025 Additional Charges

T. Eder moved to approve the additional monthly charge of \$1,445.00 for the month of July 2025 from the Clay Township Police Department, supported by S. Ruhlman.

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

Preliminary Approval of Condominium Subdivision Plan of Bayside Estates (PC 25-456 and ZBA 25-208)

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission for Preliminary Approval of Condominium Subdivision Plan of Bayside Estates, pursuant to the Plan prepared by BMJ Engineers & Surveyors Job No. 2501.02 dated May 13, 2025, as presented, supported by T. Eder.

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

RES 25-08-02 Adoption of Master Plan

T. Lauer moved to adopt Resolution 25-08-02 Adoption of Master Plan, supported by S. Ruhlman.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: James Endres Jr., Thomas Lauer, Thomas Eder, Stella Ruhlman and Jean Corbat

Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED** **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

Request for Sewer Relief - 7821 Harmony Court

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the DPS Superintendent and grant relief to the property owner at 7821 Harmony Court by providing a credit, in the amount of \$185.15, for the sewer portion of the utility charges for the billing period including June and July, 2025, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes.

Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

2025 Holiday Hours

S. Ruhlman moved to set 2025 Holiday Hours as follows: Office closed December 23, 2025 December 24, 2025, December 25, 2025, December 30, 2025, December 31, 2025 and January 1, 2026. The office will be open December 29, 2025 *for the purpose of tax collection* and return to regular hours January 5, 2026. Employees may use vacation, personal or sick time, if available, for any unpaid holidays, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes.

Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

Stuphen Tower Truck Repairs

J. Endres Jr. moved to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief and approve the quote from Concord Inspection, in the amount of \$15,583.84, to repair and perform maintenance on the Stuphen Mini Tower Ladder Truck. Ira Township is responsible for the sum of \$5,194.62 which represents one-third of the quote pursuant to the Intergovernmental Fire Equipment Agreement between the city of Algonac and townships of Clay and Ira. The Fire Chief is also authorized to negotiate and recommend completion of the work to be performed, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes.

Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

Algonac National Touch-A-Truck Event

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief to authorize use of one (1) staffed Fire Truck to participate in the Algonac National Touch-A-Truck event to be held on August 5, 2025, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes.

Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

Termination from Fire Department Roster

T. Lauer moved to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief and terminate John Parry and Dylan Stallard from the Fire Department Roster, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes.

Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

Contingent Firefighter

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief and appoint Joshua Click as a contingent firefighter, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes.

Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

Contingent Firefighter

T. Lauer moved to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief and appoint Blake Smith as a contingent firefighter, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes.

Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

Request to Post Sargeant 2 Position

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief to post for the Sargeant 2 Position in the department, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes.

Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

Generator Repairs

T. Eder moved to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief and approve the invoice from Ruemenapp's Repair, in the amount of \$2,500.00, for repairs to the Generac Generator, supported by S. Ruhlman.

All voting yes.

Opposing: None

MOTION CARRIED

