

Watson Township Board Meeting  
May 3, 2007

Called to order: 7:01 P.M.

Present:

Catherine Pardee, Candy Adrianson, Rod Zeinstra and Kelli Morris.

Absent:

Stephanie Bogdan.

Agenda Approval:

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Candy, and supported by Rod, all in favor, motion carried.

Reports:

County Commissioners- Jon Campbell and Max Thiele:

Commissioner Max Thiele reported that a decision had been made not to build a jail downtown Allegan. He also reported that the Republican leaders are suggesting shutting down State Government in place of tax increase. There is also discussion of limiting townships ability to do assessing and elections and control of their own funds. He also let the board know that township revenue sharing may be negatively affected. Jon Campbell was not in attendance.

Supervisor's Report:

Cathy reported that the loan with the bank is going well. She let the board know that Jeff Gouker would bring a trailer for spring clean up day and haul the metal to therecycler for the township.

Allegan County Planning Commission Report

None.

Cemetery Report:

Dave Kok reported no funerals for April. He thanked Jeff from Plainwell Monument for taking care of the foundations for him. He also mentioned he would get some more top dirt and grass on the sites that need to be refilled.

Planning Commission Report:

Rod reported that the planning commission did not have a quorum, so the planner Mark Sisson just went over some of the information on the zoning changes.

Public Comment:

None.

Approval of Minutes and Bills

A motion was made by Rod to approve the minutes for the April 5, 2007, and April 9, 2007. Candy supports, all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Rod to pay the bills for May 2007, in the amount of \$12,809.50, supported by Candy, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Stephanie Bogdan left a report of account balances as follows:

Reconciled Balances: \$363,504.68 Book Balances: \$290,957.61

Old Business:

1. Draft Lease Agreement Hopkins Area Fire Dept. – Cathy explains that the board did not have a chance to work on this agreement this month or to confer with the township attorney. The board will revisit the lease agreement in the next meeting.

New Business:

1. Hall Clean-Up- The landscape is in need of refreshing. The board decides to have a “Landscape” Day on May 19<sup>h</sup> at 8:00 A.M.; anyone interested in helping with the planting is welcome to attend on that day.
2. High Speed Internet- Cathy explains the need for the township to have high speed internet, with the changes in requirements for the assessor, treasurer, and clerk. She goes over some current options. This subject will be revisited at the board’s next meeting.

Other:

None.

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn by Rod, supported by Candy, all in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 P.M.

Kelli Morris  
Watson Township Clerk

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