

Watson Township Board Meeting  
February 4, 2010

Called to order: 7:04 P.M.

Present:

Chuck Andrysiak, Rod Zeinstra, Candy Adrianson and Kelli Morris.

Absent: Stephanie Bogdan.

Agenda Approval:

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

Reports:

County Commissioners- Jon Campbell and Max Thiele:

Max gave the board some information about current negotiations with different county departments, including the Sheriff Department. He also let the board know that the county had formally hired an architect for the new jail. Lastly, he gave the information on the free H1N1 clinics being held on Tuesday evenings between 5:00 and 8:00 p.m. by the Health Department.

Allegan County Planning Commission Report:

Ken Pardee reported that GIS has printed new maps and we do have copies of them now. He also reported that Rich Howe has been replaced on the Planning Commission by Gale Dugan of Otsego.

Ambulance Report:

Ken Pardee reported that the Subsidy should come in very close to what it was last year. He added that the Ambulance is 98% self funded.

Fire Chief Report:

Tim McKinnon reported that the Department responded to eight fire calls and seventeen medical calls this month. The department sent four people to MFR Class. The Department has applied for "firefighters" grants. Also, the Grass Fire Truck was in for service as the 1<sup>st</sup> and reverse gears were stripped.

Cemetery Report:

Dave Kok left a report that we had no funerals for the month of January; however we will have one funeral this Saturday for Curt Kent at Hicks Cemetery which will be a cremation.

Planning Commission Report:

Rod reported that they had a presentation from Bauer Power. They also discussed the budget which will be tight this year. This subject will be further discussed at a later meeting.

Supervisor's Report:

Candy reported that Watson Township has one road project proposed by the county at the annual Road Commission Meeting, they would like to pave 1 mile of 24<sup>th</sup> St. from 114<sup>th</sup> to M-222. Watson Township would be responsible for the cost of the shoulders, which would be \$11,590.00. We will have to look at that during our budgeting workshops. Candy also reported that Bruce Culver is in his last term on the Road Commission and there will be an opening on that Commission Board.

Public Comment:

The Supervisor welcomed the area Government Class students. No other comment.

Approval of Minutes and Bills:

A motion was made by Rod to approve the minutes for the January 7th, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Rod to pay the bills for January 2010, in the amount of \$10,896.81, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Stephanie Bogdan left a report of account balances as follows:

Reconciled Balances: \$180,140.51 and Book Balances: \$269,082.78

New Business:

1. Dust Control Bid-

Rod made a motion to table this until the next meeting, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

2. Mowing Contract-

The Board will ask Dave Kok for a quote for 2010 for budgeting.

3. Garden Club- Hall Use Inquiry-

Candy proposes letting a non profit garden club use the hall (as requested by them), in exchange for garden maintenance of the front flower gardens in front of the hall offices.

The board is in agreement to this arrangement.

Old Business:

Other:

Adjourn: a motion to adjourn by Chuck, supported by Rod, all in favor, motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Kelli Morris  
Watson Township Clerk

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