

Watson Township Board Meeting  
July 1, 2010

Called to order: 7:04 P.M.

Present:

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

Absent: None

**Agenda Approval:**

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

**Reports:**

**County Commissioners- Jon Campbell and Max Thiele:**

Max reported that in 2002 the county was spending about \$750,000.00 annual to outside sources. In 2003 and 2004 it was taken down to zero with the exception of MSU Extension (which provides for the 4-H organizations and Agriculture). They receive about \$250,000.00 annually for those programs. Max wanted to ask the board and audience their opinions on the necessity of the allocation of these particular funds. There is some discussion on the subject as a whole. The Watson board seems to be in favor of the allocation of these funds, and agrees among members that the 4-H Organizations are very worthy of the support of the county because they provide positive programs and guidance for the youth of Allegan County

**Allegan County Planning Commission Report:**

Ken reported that he attended a meeting today and after that meeting he has the feeling the county commission will remain in tact. He also reported that the amount of .62 millage will be on the ballot for the jail proposal.

**Fire Chief:**

Tim reported that the MFR crew has finished their training and are now responding. There were 29 fire calls for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter and 59 medical calls (with 15 of those in Watson Twp.). He also let everyone know that they now have a new Jeep Liberty for a MFR vehicle, and it will hopefully be equipped and ready by next week.

**Cemetery Report:**

Dave Kok reported that there was one funeral for Lana Koester last month. He also has the spots marked for the Shipley's, and has markers up for them to view. Dave reported that he will repair the fence at Hicks Cemetery and put colored ribbon on the wire to make it visible.

**Planning Commission Report:**

No Meeting.

**Supervisor's Report:**

None.

**Public Comment:**

Marge Bakker:

Marge Bakker candidate for Allegan County Circuit Court Judge gave the board a presentation and handout on her run for that position.

Douglas Harrington:

Doug Harrington candidate for 80<sup>th</sup> District State Representative gave the board and audience a presentation on his run for that position.

Arik Nesbitt:

Arik Nesbitt candidate for 80<sup>th</sup> District State Representative gave the board and audience a presentation on his run for that position.

Josh Cole:

Josh Cole attended the meeting to represent the Allegan County Sheriff's Department and give the board and audience members information on the new jail. He gave an informative presentation and flyers explaining the new jail.

**Approval of Minutes and Bills:**

A motion was made by Rod to approve the minutes as presented for the June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2010, Stephanie supported, all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Stephanie to pay the bills for June 2010, in the amount of \$16,018.25, Rod supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Stephanie Bogdan gave a report of account balances as follows:

Reconciled Balances: \$410,192.94 and Book Balances: \$295,452.48

**New Business:**

**1. Hopkins Propane Pre-Buy:**

Rod made a motion to pre-buy 1500 gallons of propane, Stephanie supported, all in favor, motion carried.

**2. Hopkins Fireworks:**

Stephanie made a motion to donate \$500.00 to the Hopkins Area Business and Recreation Committee for the fireworks display at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration in Hopkins, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

**Other:**

None.

**Adjourn Regular Meeting**

Stephanie made a motion to adjourn, Rod supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Meeting closed: 8:27 P.M.

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Kelli Morris  
Watson Township Clerk