

Watson Township Board Meeting
May 6, 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 Candy, supported by Stephanie, all in favor, motion carried.

Reports:

County Commissioners- Jon Campbell and Max Thiele:

Max went over the new Jail blueprint in detail with the board and audience members. He also gave everyone a great idea of what has been done so far on the jail and what is still to come. It was an extremely informative presentation and report on the progress of the new jail project.

Allegheny County Planning Commission Report:

Ken reported that they are still working on the "Master Plan". Ken also made the announcement that he will be resigning from the county planning commission this coming November. He will be spending more time in the winters in the south and will not have the time to devote to his position. The board is grateful for the time Ken has spent on the county planning commission and the service he has provided to his community.

Fire Chief:

Tim reported that there were nine fires in the month of April and 24 medical calls (none in Watson). He reported that the MFR classes were completed in March and everyone passed. The department is working on another grant for this year, as they were turned down last year. Tim also reported that on the 19th and 20th of April they department and "Scotty's Firehouse" trained 207 young children on fire safety. A member of the audience had a comment about farmer's burning and regulations, Tim explained that unfortunately, farmers are exempt from many of those laws.

Cemetery Report:

None.

Planning Commission Report:

No Meeting.

Supervisor's Report:

The supervisor reported that the township has received notice that the 7th Day Adventist will be doing some door to door campaigning in June. Candy also reported that there will be bio solids applied to the Norm Andress farm on 19th street.

Public Comment:

Pat Adrianson had a comment on the dust control. She had complaints about the quality of the dust control and the times of the applications. The subject was discussed in more detail and the board will take her complaints into consideration. Although thus far the board has had no problems with the dust control and is completely satisfied with the applications, the board will look into the concentration of the applications.

Also candidate Tom Erdmann, for State Representative 80th District introduced himself and gave the board and audience a brief presentation on his focus and goals if he is elected as State Representative for the 80th District. Also April Nolasco-DeCarValho introduced herself as candidate running for county Commissioner for District #10.

Approval of Minutes and Bills:

A motion was made by Stephanie to approve the minutes as presented for the March 4th and March 25th 2010, Rod supported, all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Stephanie to pay the bills for April 2010, in the amount of \$17,385.14, and an additional 700.00 for payment of election workers, Rod supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Stephanie Bogdan gave a report of account balances as follows:

Reconciled Balances: \$252,288.30 and Book Balances: \$417,540.21

New Business:

1. Road Millage Ballot Wording-

Candy read the ballot wording as a motion as follows:

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax Limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem Taxes within Watson Township of 2 mills (\$2.00 Per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 1.9465 Mills by required rollback, be increased to and Renewed at the original 2 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 Of taxable value), for the period of 2011 through 2014 inclusive for township road improvements; And shall the Township levy such renewal in Millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the First year an estimated \$113,635.00?

For the August 3rd Primary Election. Roll Call Vote: Rod-yes; Stephanie-yes; Kelli-yes; Chuck-yes; and Candy-yes. Candy declared the motion passed by a vote of 5-yes and 0-no votes.

Old Business:

1. Annual Report from Planning Commission-

Rod made a motion to approve annual report from planning commission, Stephanie supported, all in favor, motion carried. Bev McKinnon also said the meeting at West Olive about "wind turbines", and "outdoor burners" went well.

Other:

None.

Adjourn Regular Meeting

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

Meeting closed: 8:10 P.M.

Kelli Morris
Watson Township Clerk