

Watson Township Board Meeting

May 5th, 2011

Called to order: 7:00 P.M.

Present:

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

Tardy: Stephanie Bogdan (arrived @ 7:12 pm).

Agenda Approval:

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

Reports:

County Commissioners- Jon Campbell and Max Thiele:

Max Thiele left a report as he had a prior commitment. The supervisor went over his report in detail for the board and audience members.

Fire Chief:

Fire Chief, Tim McKinnon reported six fire incidents for April, with one being in Watson, and five medical calls in Watson. He explained that he would like to get all terrain vehicle (i.e Ranger type vehicle), to assist with rescues such as one they were called to this winter that involved a snowmobile accident that was impossible to reach by any type of regular emergency vehicle. They have started raising funds for a vehicle such as this and it is estimated to cost around \$18,000.00 for a fully equipped vehicle.

Cemetery Report:

Dave Kok left a report of one cremation.

Planning Commission Report:

Rod was not able to attend. Candy reported that they had a light meeting involving discussion on “wind energy” and “outdoor furnaces”.

Supervisor’s Report:

Candy reported that she did receive contact back from Jim Cutler and he will not be using the township property any longer.

Public Comment:

Judge Skocleas attended and gave the board a 2010 Annual Report for the 57th District Court. He also gave the board a report on the many different "Diversion Programs" that are now being implemented by the County. The board appreciated Judge Skocleas attending the board meeting and his insight on the happenings of the County Court.

Approval of Minutes and Bills:

Minutes:

A motion was made by Chuck to approve the minutes as presented for the April 7th meeting, Stephanie supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Stephanie to approve the minutes as presented for the April 28th meeting, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Bills:

A motion was made by Stephanie to pay the bills for April 2011, in the amount of \$14,160.06, and to write checks to the Election Inspectors before our next board meeting, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Stephanie Bogdan gave a report of account balances as follows:

Reconciled Balances: \$486,351.47 and Book Balances: \$484,901.85

New Business:

1. Letter from Martin Township-

The board received a letter from Martin Township asking about interest in meeting with Martin Township, the Road Commission, and the Raceway Executives, in order to discuss options for the repair of 12th Street. The supervisor will let Martin Township know that we would be interested in being part of that discussion.

2 Martin Township Library-

The Martin Township Library would like to be on the agenda for next month to make a motion to allocate \$1,000.00 in funding for the Martin Library.

Old Business:

1. Abandonment of Public Road- Matt Thiel-

Stephanie made a motion to support Resolution # 05052011, the abandonment of Timber Ridge Bay Ct. as a County road. Roll Call vote: Stephanie- yes; Kelli-yes; Chuck-yes; Rod-yes; and Candy-yes. The supervisor declared the resolution passed by a vote of 5-yes and 0-no votes.

Other:

Spring Clean- Up is this coming Saturday. If you still need to adopt a road, please call the office phone and leave a message if no answer.

Adjourn:

Stephanie made a motion to adjourn, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting closed: 8:09 P.M.

Kelli Morris

Watson Township Clerk