

**Watson Township Board Meeting
June 4, 2016**

Called to order: 7:01 P.M.

Present:

Chuck Andrysiak, Sue Jones, Pam Brown, Rod Zeinstra and Kelli Morris.

Absent:

Agenda:

Sue made a motion to approve the agenda Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Reports:

Cemetery Sexton:

Sexton reported all flags were out and the township had several compliments on how nice the cemeteries looked.

Hopkins Area Fire:

The monthly report was emailed to the township. Rod read the report aloud.

Planning Commission Report:

No Meeting

Library Reports:

Newsletter from J.C. Wheeler Library was emailed to the township and is available for viewing on the township website.

County Commissioners- Jon Campbell:

None.

Supervisor's Report:

The supervisor reported that Mary Whiteford would like to schedule office hours for a Monday in July in preparation for the August Election. Pam has also scheduled Tustin's Asphalt to repair and re-seal the parking lots.

Minutes:

Sue made a motion to approve the minutes for May 5, 2016, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Bills:

Rod made a motion to pay the bills for May in the amount of \$9,314.72, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Sue gave a treasurer report with current bank balances.

Old Business:

1. Planning Commission Appointment

Supervisor Brown and Planning Commission Chairperson Harris conducted interviews of parties interested in joining the Watson Township Planning Commission. Pam explains that she would like the board to appoint Don Bailey. Rod made a motion to recognize and accept Dave Carter's resignation from the planning commission, Sue supported, all in favor, motion carried. Sue made a motion to appoint Don Bailey to the Planning Commission to fill a vacancy after the resignation of Dave Carter, with Don's appointment expiring when Dave's term would have expired, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

2. Gravel Bids:

Chuck made a motion to accept a bid from R. Smith and Son's for gravel projects #1 and #2 for \$34,807.50, Sue supported; Roll Call Vote: Rod-yes; Chuck-yes; Sue-yes; Kelli-yes; and Pam-yes. The supervisor declared the motion passed by a vote of 5-yes and 0-no votes.

New Business:

1. Angle and Associates:

The township received an engagement letter for the non- audit year audit. Chuck made a motion to accept the letter of engagement from Angle and Associates to do the non- audit year fiscal check and state filings for the contract amount of \$1,700.00 to \$1,900.00, Sue supported, all in favor, motion carried.

2. J.C. Wheeler Library Contract:

Rod made a motion to accept the library agreement with J.C. Wheeler Library in the amount of \$1,000.00, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

3. MTA Dues:

Rod made a motion to renew our membership with the MTA and pay the contract dues in the amount of \$1,177.43, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

4. Hopkins Area Business Recreation Committee Request:

Chuck made a motion to contribute \$1,000.00 to Hopkins Area Business Recreation Committee for the 4th of July Celebration, Sue supported, all in favor, motion carried.

5. BOR Appointment:

The supervisor explained that Katie Jager had resigned from the Board of Review. Dick Davis has expressed interest in being appointed to fill out the remainder of her term. Rod made a motion to accept the nomination of Dick Davis to fill the vacant position left by Katie Jager until the end of her term, Sue supported, all in favor, motion carried.

6. Paving of 122nd Ave. Discussion:

The board discussed the different options for the paving project on 122nd Ave. (from 20th Street to the Allegan Township line). There will be more discussion and research on payment options before a decision is made on how to proceed with this project.

Other Business:

Public Comment (for topics not on the agenda):

Michelle Harris shared information on a meeting being held on June 29th in Allegan County where the subjects will include FEMA, Watershed, and the National Flood Insurance Program.

Adjourn:

Rod made a motion to adjourn, Sue supported, all in favor, motion carried.
Meeting adjourned: 7:42 P.M.

Kelli Morris—Watson Township Clerk