

**Watson Township Board Meeting
March 3, 2016**

Called to order: 7:01 P.M.

Present:

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

Absent:

Rod Zeinstra

Agenda:

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

Reports:

Road Commission:

Larry Brown attended and discussed three options with the board for the paving of 122nd Ave. He suggested paving the East mile first if we decided on doing the project in two segments in 2016 and 2017. The board plans on discussing the project options further at the "budget workshop".

Cemetery Sexton:

No Funerals.

Hopkins Area Fire:

The monthly report was emailed to the township. The supervisor read through the emailed report.

Planning Commission Report:

Chuck gave a summary report for 2015 for the Planning Commission. The report included the following items: Hidden Valley RV Park, Master Plan, Wind and Solar Ordinance, Outdoor Furnace Ordinance, reviewing of Sand and Gravel Pits, election of officers, discussion on Marijuana and Fracking , Otsego Crane and Hoist Special Use for rezoning, Final Special Use and Zoning Fee Schedule and approving Jager's Contractor Yard.

ZBA Report:

Meeting was rescheduled for March 28th.

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 she had been in contact with Tom Johnson to discuss his future assistance for our Planning Commission needs in terms of a "Planner". Also the streetlight were rescheduled, but will be installed soon. Board of Review dates will be March 14th (from 9am-12pm and 2pm-5pm) and March 15th (from 1pm-4pm and 6pm-9pm).

Minutes:

Sue made a motion to approve the minutes for February 4, 2016, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Bills:

Chuck made a motion to pay the bills for March in the amount of \$35,142.09, Sue supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Sue gave a treasurer report with current bank balances.

Old Business:

1. Mowing Bids:

The mowing bids were opened and read aloud. Chuck made a motion to accept the bid from MW Moore and Son in the amount of - \$9,700.00 for the 2016 season, Sue supported. Roll Call

Vote: Chuck-yes; Kelli-yes; Sue-no; and Pam-yes. The supervisor declared the motion passed by a vote of 3 yes and 1 no vote.

New Business:

1. Net Warriar:

Sue made a motion to continue using Net Warriar for our township webpage and maintenance for the yearly amount of \$420.00, Chuck supported, all in favor motion carried.

2. Assessor's Contract Renewal:

Sue made a motion to accept the contract as presented, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

3. Meeting Dates and Newsletter:

Meeting dates for the next fiscal year will be April 7, May 5, June 2, July 14, August 4, September 1, October 6, November 3, December 1, January 5, February 2, March 3, and April 6. Pam discussed plans for the upcoming Newsletter and information that needs to be changed. She will contact Sue Zeinstra and inquire if she wants to make those changes on her template or they could be made at PJ printing where they will be printed.

4. Dust Control Bids:

A notice will be placed in the newspaper for Dust Control Bids.

Other Business:

Public Comment (for topics not on the agenda):

Travis Long had a question about the rezoning of a section of land on M-222 between 20th and 21st that neighbors his home. Chuck explained what had been going on with the land over the past years.

Adjourn:

Sue made a motion to adjourn, Chuck supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned: 8:30 P.M.

Kelli Morris—Watson Township Clerk