

Watson Township Board Meeting
May 7, 2009

Called to order: 7:05 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 agenda by Kelli, and supported by Rod, all in favor, motion carried.

Reports:

County Commissioners- Jon Campbell and Max Thiele:

Max had previously sent out an electronic copy of his commissioner's report for the board to review. Max explained his opinion on the choice for continuing the "jail building project".

Alleghan County Drain Commissioner – Becky Rininger:

Becky Rininger explained some issues involving the "Martin-Watson Drain". She explained in detail the problem with the drain and the areas they had worked on and the results they are experiencing. She let the board know the cost thus far has been over \$20,000.00 and the total cost for the project should be about \$25,000.00. She then gave the board an explanation and a power point presentation of the work involving the "Miner Drain", including the costs of the project. The board appreciated her attendance and explanations of the projects.

Supervisor's Report:

Candy reported that the township will see a reduction in revenue sharing of 4.9%, which will calculate to a sum of \$7,122.00. She also let the board know that she received an e-mail from Valdis at the county and the aerial imagery is finished. Tim McKinnon also gave the board a report from the Hopkins Fire Department which contained the happenings for the month of April.

Alleghan County Planning Commission Report:

None.

Cemetery Report:

Dave Kok left a report of one funeral for the month of April.

Planning Commission Report:

The planning commission continued work on the By-laws and Master Plan. They anticipate being finished in the near future.

Public Comment:

Cathy Pardee wanted to let the board know that Trowbridge had but a timer on their hot water heater, and suggests our board look into the possibility of something similar at our township.

Approval of Minutes and Bills:

A motion was made by Rod to approve the minutes for the April 2nd 2009, Stephanie supported, all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Stephanie to pay the bills for April 2009, in the amount of \$18,629.29, Rod supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Stephanie Bogdan gave a report of account balances as follows:

Reconciled Balances: \$394,895.66 and Book Balances: \$358,056.53

New Business:

1. Planning Commission by-Laws & Rules of Procedure-

Rod explained the details of these by-laws and rules of procedure. He highlighted some changes, including different verbiage under "3.4 Quorum". They also added a section explaining the duties of the planning commission in section #5 (five). This section includes an annual report to present to the board each year. Lastly, he explained section #8(eight) "Conflict of Interest". Ken Pardee had a question concerning the voting and 60% minimum requirement. Rod made a note of the concerns and will check on them and report back.

Old Business:

1. Fireworks Ordinance:

Stephanie made a motion to table the fireworks ordinance until next month, Rod supported, all in favor, motion carried.

Other:

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn by Stephanie, supported by Rod, all in favor, motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:13 P.M.

Kelli Morris
Watson Township Clerk


