

WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
January 21, 2015 6:30PM  
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The regular monthly meeting of the Watersmeet Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Mike Rogers at 6:30pm.

Members present: Mike Rogers, Paul Kempainen, Bill Neumann, Rich Henriksen. Approved absence: Sandy Mansfield.

Citizens present: 4

Bill Neumann made the motion with support from Rich Henriksen to approve minutes from the last months' meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Paul Kempainen with support for Bill Neumann to add # 5 to the agenda: A request to continue support for ISCCW. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by Bill Neumann with support from Paul Kempainen to continue to opt out of the employee pay portion of the insurance as specified by PA 152 for fiscal year 2015-2016. Roll Call vote: Yeas, Unanimous. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Bill Neumann to accept the bid by Roger Kolehmainen CPA PC for \$8,800.00 to be retained as the auditor for the township. Rich Henriksen supported the motion. Roll Call Vote, Yeas: Unanimous. Motion carried.
3. A motion was made to update the township water ordinance to incorporate meter usage. Paul Kempainen made the motion with Rich Henriksen supporting. Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Unanimous. Motion carried.
4. Bill Neumann motion with support from Rich Henriksen supporting to table a request to renew the membership contract for fiscal year 2015-2016 with GOCAA (Gogebic Ontonagon Community Action Agency). The board felt further discussion is needed.
5. A motion was made by Paul Kempainen with a second from Bill Neumann to support the ISCCW request relative to constraints of the 2015-2016 budget as the Board has done historically. Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Unanimous. Motion carried.

**Supervisor's Report:**

Mr. Rogers gave an overview of the proposed road projects for the fiscal years 2015-2016 and 2017. There are no paving projects using RAC money for 2015. Planned for 2016 is paving 2.5 – 5 miles of Thousand Island Lake Road. Planned for 2017 is another 2.5 miles of paving on the Thousand Island Lake Road. These are dependent on grants and RAC monies. Seven to eight (7-8) culverts are to be replaced on Thousand Island Lake Road. The BIA (Bureau of Indian Affairs) will finish paving Bass Lake Road, C Avenue and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

Mr. Rogers reviewed the Planning Commission handout that outlined the completed and carryover projects and upcoming objectives. He also read an outline of the previous fiscal year meeting highlights and accomplishments.

Some discussion was held regarding the tanker rollover that took place on Hwy. 2 approximately one month ago. Dick Caudill will submit the township portion of the cleanup expense for \$ 4,200.00 to Jim Loeper at Emergency Management who will submit it to the carrier Insurance Company. It was also noted that the co-operation between all assisting agencies was very much appreciated in the cleanup.

The Treasurer's Report was read and accepted.

It was noted that the Internet Survey has been sent out and can be dropped off at the Town Offices.

A motion to adjourn was presented by Bill Neumann and supported by Rich Henriksen. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Mansfield, Deputy Clerk  
Watersmeet Township, Gogebic County

Approved: 2/18/2015