

**Approved 12/16/15**  
**WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2015 6:30PM**  
**US FOREST SERVICE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**  
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The November regular meeting of the Watersmeet Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30pm by Supervisor Rogers. Members in Attendance: Mike Rogers, Rich Henriksen, Bill Neumann and Paul Kempainen. Absent: Sandy Mansfield

Others Present: Julie Mathiesen, Pat Walsh, Peggy Tuttle, Charlene Kempainen, Dave Neumann, Jody Harges, Sadie Valliere, Andy Hacker, Mark Erhart

Appearance: Sadie Valliere, LVH Health Clinic Director, gave a presentation regarding the services offered presently along with those associated with the new clinic being built. A copy of the presentation is available at the Watersmeet Township office for those interested in what the clinic presently offers to all citizens of Watersmeet Township along with the surrounding area and the expanded services that will become available after the completion of the new clinic, tentatively scheduled for August of 2016. Several people present offered comments about the clinic including Pat Walsh, Charlene Kempainen, Trustee Bill Neumann and Treasurer Paul Kempainen.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Bill Neumann and second by Rich Henriksen. Motion carried.

New Business: Assessor Mark Erhart requested that the board go into executive session to discuss matters associated with his present contract. By a roll call vote of 4-0 vote executive session commenced at 7:20 PM. A motion to end executive session was made by Bill Neumann and second by Rich Henriksen. Motion carried and the regular meeting resumed at 7:48 PM. A motion was made by Bill Neumann with a second by Rich Henriksen to table any action on the present assessor's contract. Motion carried.

There was discussion about the need for a committee to meet with Conover concerning the termination of our present ambulance contract at a later date. A motion was made by Bill Neumann with a second by Rich Henriksen to have the following persons on the committee: Paul Kempainen, Frank Kuchevar, Mike Rogers, Andy Hacker and Joette Baldwin. Motion carried.

There was discussion about the new union employee contract that had been negotiated. A motion was made by Rich Henriksen with a second by Paul Kempainen to approve the new contract. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Paul Kempainen and second by Rich Henriksen to approve Dino Giannola as a new member of the Fire Department upon the recommendation of Chief Dick Caudill. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the bills was made by Bill Neumann and second by Rich Henriksen. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report: Mike responded concerning our policy regarding putting jobs out on bids or for job applicants. He stated that he didn't feel it was necessary in the case of filling the Township Secretary

position as Jill Mansfield had been trained, worked for almost a year on the job prior to her appointment, and was performing her duties very well. Bids need to be sought only for tasks over \$20,000 and those less than that figure are spread around to local providers typically. Mike also stated that we try to give people who have worked for the township satisfactorily in the past the first opportunity to apply for full-time positions that may become available.

Treasurer's Report: Monthly report was given to all board members and all accounts had been reconciled. Delinquent Personal Property Tax notices have been sent by the Watersmeet Township legal representative, Michael Pope, for taxes owed from the period 2010-2014 on "411" properties. Water/Sewer Liens have also been included on several Winter Tax Bills for 2015.

Correspondence was read from the Duck Lake Millfoil Association expressing their appreciation for the Fire Department and a donation check for \$100.00 was acknowledged.

A motion was made by Bill Neumann and second by Rich Henriksen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Kemppainen, Treasurer  
In the absence of Clerk Sandy Mansfield  
Watersmeet Township