

Approved 8/17/2016
WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2016
US FOREST SERVICE ADMIN BUILDING
6:30PM
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The regular monthly meeting of the Watersmeet Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Rogers at 6:30pm.

Members present: Mike Rogers, Paul Kempainen, Bill Neumann, Sandy Mansfield

Members absent: Rich Henriksen

A motion was made by Paul Kempainen with support from Sandy Mansfield to approve the minutes of the regular June 15, 2016 meeting and the special meetings of June 15, 20, 27 and July 12, 2016. Motion carried.

Appearances: Julie Mathiesen gave a report from the CCROA picnic and 4th of July celebration. She had a booth with floor plans of the new community center and a survey for interested parties to fill out regarding what they would like to see as far as programs, events and activities in the township. There was not as much participation in the survey as would have been liked, but some ideas have been thrown out. There will be a meeting by some of the interested parties in order to go through the ideas that were presented and try to establish a list of some of the more viable options. Julie also brought up the idea of having an Event Planner in town in order to have someone responsible for the coordination of major events.

Public Comments: Alan Piel offered thanks and praise to the Forest Service for their help in cleaning up the 60+ trees down on the bike path. They showed up with manpower and atv's to help clear the trail and worked alongside the trail supporters that normally take care of the maintenance. The Forest Service has also been very cooperative in helping support the Whitefish Trail project including "in-kind" services.

Peggy Tuttle stated that it would be nice if we could get some sort of event here in town to get bikers to attend.

There was a motion to accept a resolution authorizing the issuance of Capital Improvement Bond Series 2016 and signatures for the New Community Center. This was offered by Paul Kempainen, supported by Bill Neumann. Motion passed with Roll Call Vote: Ayes, Mike Rogers, Bill Neumann, Paul Kempainen, Sandy Mansfield. Nays, None.

An application for a new Fire Department member was presented. Anthony LaMouria has applied to become our newest FD member. A motion was offered by Bill Neumann with support from Paul Kempainen to accept his application. The application had been previously approved by Fire Chief, Bruce Caudill. Welcome Anthony!

A motion by Paul Kempainen and supported by Bill Neumann was made to approve and pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Reports

Supervisor: WE Energies and AT&T have moved their lines from the poles in front of the new Community Center site and we are now waiting for Charter Communications to come and remove theirs in order to remove the poles.

Supervisor Rogers brought up the idea of wiring the new Community Center for a generator. We have been very fortunate with weather, but in the event of a prolonged outage it would be a good thing for the township offices to be able to remain up and running. The board will take this into consideration. The pavilion kitchen is in disrepair. We need to replace the sink and appliances, repair the door, paint the floor install some lighting and give it a thorough cleaning.

Treasurer: The checkbook is in balance. We are getting some tax revenue in from summer taxes, but overall there are no big changes.

Clerk: The audit has started and will be completed in the next few weeks.

Other: Bill Neumann reported that he has not received any final report of how the finances came out with the 4th of July committee.

A motion was offered by Bill Neumann and supported by Paul Kemppainen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Mansfield, Clerk
Watersmeet Township