

APPROVED 12/21/2017
WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2017
6:30PM
WATERSMEET COMMUNITY CENTER
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The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Mike Rogers at 6:35pm.

Members present: Bill Neumann, Mike Rogers, Alan Piel, Paul Kempainen, and Sandy Mansfield
Others present: Pat Walsh, Steve Roth, Denise Fautleroy, Julie Mathiesen

A motion was offered by Alan Piel with support from Bill Neumann to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of October 18, 2017. Motion carried.

Paul Kempainen moved to accept the minutes from the November 3rd special meeting. Support was offered by Bill Neumann. Motion carried.

Special Appearances:

Paul Anderson/Coleman Engineering

Watersmeet Township was drawn in the final year of a 5 year lottery for a grant to develop an Asset Management Plan for the township sewer system. The grant is in the amount of \$173,000 and the township will be responsible for 10% of the amount. There is an approximate amount of \$20,000 that is available in the grant to reimburse the township for in-kind work. We have already begun some of that work by using a camera on the sewer lines and jetting the lines in the fall. This will all count toward the amount that we can be reimbursed for. The bid from Coleman Engineering is approximately \$173,000 to develop a Cadillac version of an Asset Management Plan for Watersmeet. For this amount, they will survey all the structures of the system, televise and clean out lines, smoke test, conduct flow metering, do a condition assessment of each manhole, prepare a report of date spreadsheets, provide a map of the system and help to develop a GPS system for the lines. The board will talk more about the grant offer and decide at the next meeting if we will accept this.

Public Comments:

Julie Mathiesen: In regard to the language change to the Zoning Ordinance that was discussed at the Planning Commission meeting, she feels that it needs to be run by the township attorney before the board can vote on it. She agrees that there should be fines imposed for not following requirements for Special Use Permits, but isn't sure about how things are stated regarding responsibility of obtaining a building permit. Paul will check with our attorney.

New Business:

Board of Review dates. The board of review has set a date of December 11, 2017 from 9:00am to 11:00am.

A motion was offered by Bill Neumann to approve the date of December 11, 2017 for the BOR with support from Paul Kempainen. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills:

Paul Kemppainen moved to approve the bills as presented for payment. This motion was supported by Alan Piel. Motion carried. General Fund Checks: 37442 – 37459, Water Company checks: 3235 – 3236 and Waste Water checks: 4048 – 4049.

Reports:

Treasurer: We are now at the low point for the year and after tax statements go out early in December, we will start building back up again. The books are balanced.

There was a motion to adjourn offered by Paul Kemppainen and supported by Bill Neumann. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Mansfield, Clerk
Watersmeet Township