

WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018
9:00AM
CONFERENCE ROOM OF COMMUNITY CENTER
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A special meeting of the Watersmeet Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Mike Rogers at 9:00am.

Members Present: Mike Rogers, Bill Neumann, Paul Kemppainen, Sandy Mansfield
Members Absent and excused: Alan Piel

A motion to approve the agenda as presented was offered by Paul Kemppainen with support from Bill Neumann. Motion carried.

Special Business: Select a new Fire Chief

The Fire Department could not come to a decision for a new fire chief so it was placed in the hands of the Township Board of Trustees. The two members being considered for the position were James Pittsley and Dino Giannola. This is the second time that the members in question have been called in and interviewed. Both have similar qualifications, but there is a question about the certification required to be named chief and assistant chief. Having weighed all information, a motion was offered by Bill Neumann to appoint Jim Pittsley for a term of 1 year and allow him to select his Assistant Chief. This motion was supported by Paul Kemppainen. Roll Call Vote: Ayes...Bill Neumann, Paul Kemppainen, Mike Rogers. Nays...Sandy Mansfield. Motion carried. Welcome to the new Fire Chief Jim Pittsley. The new chief will be required to submit written monthly reports to the board and also attend monthly board meetings to give an oral report on the status of the department. There are a number of items that have to be addressed in the department including record keeping and training. Supervisor Rogers will be in touch with the regional trainer for new passwords for the programs the Chief and Assistant Chief will need to maintain proper records.

A motion to adjourn was offered by Bill Neumann with support from Paul Kemppainen. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:00am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Mansfield, Clerk
Watersmeet Township