

Approved 1/16/2019
WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 19, 2018
6:30 PM
WATERSMEET COMMUNITY CENTER
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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Supervisor Rogers. Members present: Mike Rogers, Paul Kempainen, Alan Piel, Bill Neumann. Absent: Sandy Mansfield. Several citizens were also present.

Alan Piel made a motion, with support from Paul Kempainen to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2018 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Appearances: Dave Neumann requested to have a meeting planned with Supervisor Rogers and Building Inspector Dan Kline to discuss questions concerning the Planning Commission to be scheduled sometime after December 26.

Old Business:

1. Supervisor Rogers informed the board of a conference call with the Township attorney regarding some wording in the township zoning ordinance that re dwelling in his opinion should be kept the same with some exceptions. For clarification purposes, term "structure" could be changed to "single family dwelling" as well as the phrase, "more than one family structure" to "more than one dwelling ". This wording would accommodate for time share or condominiums or cases of use by special approval as well. Alan Piel with support from Bill Neumann motioned to approve changes as stated to the ordinance. Motion carried.

New Business:

1. Bill Neumann motioned with support from Paul Kempainen to re-appoint Dave Lamereaux, Linda Robinson, and Arnie Domanus to the BOR. Motion carried. These appointments would be in place until December 31, 2021.
2. Alan Piel motioned with support from Paul Kempainen to approve the appointment of Yvonne Clark and re-appoint Pete Peterson to the Planning Commission. These appointments would remain in place until December 31, 2021. Motion carried.
3. Bill Neumann motioned with support from Alan Piel to re-appoint Fred Duerkyp to the ZBA. Motion carried.
4. Supervisor Rogers brought the matter of a residence in the township that was to be considered by the board to be taken over and removed. Supervisor Rogers stated that it may be better for the township to acquire the property and remove the structure because the county won't. There is no time limit for removal and the most cost effective avenue for removal would be researched. If no reply is made to the county the township will be awarded the property. A roll call vote was held and is as follows: Paul Kempainen – yay, Bill Neumann- yay, Alan Piel-yay, Mike Rogers –yay. Motion carried.

5. A motion by Paul Kemppainen with support from Bill Neumann to accept Karly Caudill into the fire department was made. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: A motion was offered by Alan Piel with support from Bill Neumann to approve the payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried. General fund check numbers 38403 – 38419, Water Company, # 3315, Waste Water Company 4125 – 4128.

Treasure's Report:

The first distribution of the winter tax season has been made and the balance in the general fund should be showing increase.

Jim Pittsley informed the board of the matching funds grant from the DNR for pagers. The DNR will match up to \$4,000.00. The township portion of this would be \$2,000.00 which is designated for this grant and is available.

Correspondence was read to Rick and Geneiva Cestkowski thanking them for the generous donation of \$500.00 to the EMT-1st. responders in memory of Susanne Cestkowski.

Under OMA the board is allowed to go into closed session to discuss the collective bargaining agreement.

Alan Piel motioned with support from Bill Neumann to go into closed session at 6:50pm.

Roll call vote: Alan Piel –yay, Mike Rogers-yay, Paul Kemppainen,-yay, Bill Neumann – yay

At 7:08 pm, after a roll call vote the board returned from closed session at 7:09. A motion to adjourn was presented by Bill Neumann with support from Alan Piel. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Mansfield
Deputy Clerk