

APPROVED 7/17/2019
WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
JUNE 19, 2019
6:30PM
COMMUNITY CENTER
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The June 2019 meeting of the Watersmeet Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Rogers at 6:30 pm.

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

A motion was made by Paul Kemppainen, with a second by Bill Neumann to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2019 regular meeting and the May 21st special meeting. Motion carried.

Appearances: None

Public Comment:

Julie Mathiesen stated that she felt the minutes of the May 15, 2019 meeting did not reflect the comments and concerns that she stated regarding the Reserve Officer for the Township Police. Paul assured her he would address this concern.

Bill Neumann offered two changes to be made into the agenda. One being added to Old Business regarding two applications to be approved and one being added to new business regarding wording changes in Public Act 33 of 1951, as amended: MCLA 41.804 seq; MSA 5.2640(1) et seq. A motion to accept these changes was made by Alan Piel with a second by Paul Kemppainen. Motion carried.

Old Business:

A discussion was had with regards to some of the wording in the Draft Ordinance to regulate unattended fires and or fires during fire ban times. Bill suggested some slight changes to clarify a requirement for burn pits. Alan Piel motioned with Paul Kemppainen seconding to table a vote on this ordinance until the wording is changed accordingly.

New Business:

A contract was read into the minutes of the meeting by Deputy Treasurer, Teri Mansfield between the Watersmeet Township Board and the County Road Commission. This contract identifies the future road construction projects and the division of funding between the two parties. Roll call vote: Bill Neumann, Paul Kemppainen, Alan Piel, Mike Rogers, Yea. Nays: none – motion carried.

Waste Water budget: Supervisor Rogers explained that the waste water budget would be less than the amount budgeted from last year. After some discussion a resolution to accept the Water and Waste Water budget was read into the minutes by the Deputy Clerk. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Bill Neumann with a second by Alan Piel. Motion carried.

A meeting for the BOR was discussed and a motion by Bill Neumann with a second by Paul Kemppainen was made to approve a July 15, 2019 meeting at 9 am. Motion Carried.

Applications for Cody Caudill and Tracie Runcie were brought before the board by Fire Chief James Pittsley. After discussion regarding these applicants, the board voted to approve these applications and state on record that these duties are only to be done “to the best of their abilities”. With a motion made by Paul Kemppainen, with a second by Alan Piel, the motion was carried.

A motion was offered by Alan Pies with support from Bill Neumann to approve the bill as presented for payment. GF checks #33853 – 33872. WW checks 4165 – 4166. W – 3360 – 3361. Motion carried.

Reports

Supervisor: Supervisor Rogers reported he had received a call with a complaint regarding a citizen’s road. Supervisor Rogers stated he brought this before the board to generate thought for how to address these issues in the future. A suggestion was made about a possible Road Board being formed to look into solutions.

Treasurer: Treasure Kemppainen reported the state of the General Fund balance is excellent. Due to modifications in the Saw Grant, the WW Rec. fund would be making a reimbursement to the GF. In the near future.

Correspondence: None

Officer Paul Runcie gave the board a report on his monthly hours, mileage, and general duties of the police department.

Dan Kline informed the Board of the status of the Richie Oil Company regarding the progress in establishing a business in Watersmeet Township. The business will be located at the Intersection of Hwy. 45 and US 2. The details are being worked out.

As there was no further business a motion was made to adjourn by Paul Kemppainen with support from Alan Piel. Motion approved at 6:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teri Mansfield, Deputy Clerk
Watersmeet Township