

**Watertown Township  
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes  
January 6, 2025  
7:00pm**

The Watertown Township Board met on the above date for a regular board meeting to audit and allow orders, and to transact any business to come before it.

Present were Scott Hoese, Jerry Bruner, Kathy McCann, Barry Fritzke, Wayne Hubin, and Stephanie Coe (remote).

Visitors: Mike Wandersee, and Seth Quiggle (remote)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Scott Hoese at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

The meeting agenda was reviewed and a motion to approve was made by Jerry Bruner and seconded by Kathy McCann.  
Motion carried.

The minutes of the December 2, 2024 regular board meeting were reviewed and a motion to approve as written was made by Jerry Bruner and seconded by Kathy McCann.  
Motion carried.

**Treasurers Report**

Receipts for the month as of 12/31/2024 equaled \$269,681.63 and total disbursements of \$27,408.44, giving an ending balance of \$227,225.49, and an investment balance of \$253,895.31, therefore giving a grand total balance of \$481,120.80.

Note that \$50,000 was moved from Investments to Checking, to maintain a safe working balance for the immediate future.

A motion to approve the Treasurer report was made by Kathy McCann and seconded by Jerry Bruner.  
Motion carried

**New Business**

A request for approval for a temporary liquor license for St. Peters Lutheran Church was reviewed and a motion was made by Jerry Bruner and seconded by Kathy McCann to approve. Motion carried.

Letters from Carver County Land Management were reviewed regarding unlicensed vehicles at 1740 Neal Ave, and commercial activities, illegal burning, and potential wetland violation at 10670 Hwy 7.

The clerk will work with local fire departments to determine fire call costs that can be directed back to the owner of the 10760 Hwy 7 parcel.

Newsletter/postcard option.....discussion was had regarding methods of communicating to our township residents via the typically utilized annual newsletter, or to consider a recommendation to move to a detailed post card with pertinent information as well as directions for residents to utilize the township web site for additional and timely information.

A cost savings of approximately \$1000 would be realized utilizing the post card/website method. Following discussion, a motion was made by Kathy McCann and seconded by Jerry Bruner to proceed with the post card/website method with a mailing date of mid to late February. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

None.

### **Other Informational Items**

A new New Holland roadside mower has been purchased via trade in of the old unit at a cost of \$4,200 which included the cost of a "fast hitch" attachment.

### **Building Permits**

One business sign for Serenity Acres at 11185 County Rd 24

One septic system replacement.

### **Barry's Road, Building and Site Report**

New dump/plow truck up and working well.

Regular, timely road grader maintenance has been completed.

Will be checking pricing and availability of a portable weed sprayer with a greater capacity and range.

### **Payorders**

A motion to approve authorization of current pay orders #15055-15068, and tax pay orders, PERA 01/25 and USTR 01/25, was made by Kathy McCann and seconded by Jerry Bruner. Motion carried.

With no other business to conduct, Chair Scott Hoese recessed this meeting to convene the annual reorganizational meeting, and following that meeting , a closed session to conduct a performance and wage review for employee Barry Fritzke was opened. See separate minutes.

After completion of the foregoing sessions, the regular board meeting was reopened, and there being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned by board chair Scott Hoese at 8:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by Wayne Hubin, Clerk of Watertown Township