

**Watertown Township  
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes  
Feb 6, 2023  
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 Kathy McCann, Scott Hoese, Jerry Bruner, Wayne Hubin, Barry Fritzke. Seth Quiggle and Stephanie Coe were remote via Zoom..

Visitors: Karen and Glenn Mumford

The meeting was called to order by Chair Scott Hoese at 7:05 due to technical difficulties

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 January regular board meeting were reviewed, and a motion to approve as read was made by Jerry Bruner and seconded by Kathy McCann. Motion carried.

The minutes of the January Reorganization meeting were reviewed, with a name correction being noted.

**Treasurers Report**

Receipts for the month as of 1/31/2023 equaled \$21,397.70, and total disbursements of \$35,450.96 giving an ending balance of \$364,024.76. Investment balance equaled \$336,779.56, therefore giving a grand total balance of \$700,804.32.

It was noted that the total amount of our 2022 levy shorted from the county was \$8800, down from the \$15k average in the past.

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

**New Business**

Mumford Sanitation...Karen and Glenn Mumford appeared before the Bd to speak to the difficulties that some residents have experienced with recycling not being picked up this past fall and now this winter. Corrective action has been taken to electronically map out the Watertown TWP recycling route so that it can be followed "in truck".

The Mumfords also asked if carts could all be place on only one side of the road but it was concluded that would cause carts to be sitting on the roadway vs in a driveway approach. They also offered to bring in a rolloff to the TWP shed to handle occasional need, but it was concluded that would be too difficult to manage the input.

The Mumfords did agree if weather precludes recycle pickup on the appointed day, Saturday pickup could be arranged.

Mack (2007) truck replacement..... a review was made of quotes from Mack and Western Star for truck chassis, and Towmaster and Crysteel for the box, plow, wing, and sander. Depending on combination, the total cost varied from \$282K to \$324K, with delivery dates of 2024-2025, depending on backlog and which combination is chosen. Also preliminary value of our present truck is thought to be between \$75-\$100k.

This item will be reviewed again in the March reg bd mtng, and then brought to the March Annual meeting.

St. Peters Lutheran request for a temporary one day liq lic was approved following a motion by Jerry Bruner and second by Kathy McCann. Motion carried.

A Watertown Mayer Ed Foundation funding request was considered but there was no interest, thus no action to provide any funding at this time.

### Old Business

An update was provided on the solar ordinance litigation, mainly addressing the multiple requests for documentation outside the realm of township records. The clerk will clarify with our legal group.

### **Building Permits**

There were four, misc only.

### Barry's Road/Site Report

The Cat loader required the replacement of several transmission related solenoids.

Windshields need to be replaced on both the one ton and the dump truck. Town and County Glass will be contacted to provide replacements.

A preconstruction meeting for the Hwy 25/County Rd 20 project will be attended on Feb 7 to obtain better understanding of how the use of "informal detours", thus township roads and increased maint, will be addressed by the county. Also the use of Ridge Ave as a haul road.

Dust coat quotes delayed, but should be avail next month available.

An extendable aluminum ladder is requested to replace the current wood ladder for safety and handling reasons. Ok to proceed.

Speed limit (25 mph) posted on Polk Ave needs to have the "Construction Traffic" added to this signage. This will be ordered ASAP.

### Payorders

A motion to approve authorization of current pay orders # 13641-13647, payroll pay orders #13648-13650, and tax pay orders, PERA 02-23, USTR 02-23, was made by Jerry Bruner and seconded by Kathy McCann. Motion carried.

There being no further business to address, a motion was made by Jerry Bruner and seconded by Kathy McCann to adjourn the meeting.

Chair Scott Hoese adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Minutes submitted by Wayne Hubin

Clerk of Watertown Township

