

**Watertown Township
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2024
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, Stephanie Coe (remote), and Wayne Hubin.

Visitors: Mike Wandersee, Linda and Mike Schulenberg, Judy Stanchfield, also John Quam 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 February 5 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 2/29/2024 equaled \$26,507.21 and total disbursements of \$16,223.59, giving an ending balance of \$226,661.82, and an investment balance of \$488,816.30, therefore giving a grand total balance of \$715,478.12

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

New Business

The Mayer fire contract request for renewal in 2025 was reviewed. It is noted that the proposed increase over 2024 is \$4100 or a 23% increase. It is also noted that their fire protection cost to the township was been relatively stable for the previous 3 years. Also the method of sharing equipment costs with the townships will be revised so that future equipment costs will be placed in the city's capital budget.

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

Dust coating quotes from Environmental Services and Quality Propane were reviewed. A motion was made by Kathy McCann and seconded by Jerry Bruner to accept the lower cost quote of Quality Propane of \$1.21 per gallon for magnesium chloride. Motion carried.

A request was made by the Treasurer for the purchase of an Adobe editing software application which will improve the treasurer's processes.

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

Old Business

The Mat Spring Short Courses scheduled for March 27 in Arlington, and the annual Townships Day at the Capitol scheduled for April 8 and 9 were noted.

Preparations for the presidential primary election scheduled for March 5th were also noted.

Building Permits

None.

Barry's Road/Site Report

Road postings were placed on several key roadways vs all the township roads this year, in light of the mild winter we have experienced.

The final price for the new dump truck less equipment was confirmed at \$154,515, with a now improved delivery schedule of June, 2024. Warranty and costs relating to extended warranty detail will be reviewed in the April Bd meeting.

Granite per yard costs are now \$15.45/ton plus \$17.00 delivery per ton.
Class 5 is now \$21.98/ yd, no change from 2023.

Payorders

A motion to approve authorization of current pay orders #13956-13961, and tax pay orders, PERA 03-24, USTR 03-24, and MN Q1-2024 was made by Jerry Bruner and seconded by Kathy McCann. Motion carried.

With no other business to conduct, Chair Scott Hoese adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.