Watertown Township Monthly Board Meeting Minutes October 2, 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 Scott Hoese, Jerry Bruner, Kathy McCann, Ann Bruner, Barry Fritzke, and Stephanie Coe. Clerk Wayne Hubin was absent.

Visitors: Mike Vanderlinde, Greg Hahn, Seth Quiggle, Larry Oberender, and John Quam

The meeting was called to order by Chair Scott Hoese at 7 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 Aug 7 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 9/30/2023 equaled \$2,296.96, and total disbursements of \$52667.43, giving an ending balance of \$297,786.40. Investment balance equaled \$338,239.65, therefore giving a grand total balance of \$636,020.05.

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

New Business

Mike Vanderlinde, 2940 Oak Lake Circle, presented information for a septic system location variance. Township Presentation and Recommendation Form was discussed and a motion to approve the recommendation was made by Jerry Bruner and seconded by Kathy McCann. Motion carried.

Greg Hahn, Realtor for Mike Humbert of 12790 58th St. appeared before the Bd to review a plan to subdivide the current 100-acre property into three parcels of 20 acres and two 40 acre parcels, with the intention of selling the two 40 acre parcels with each including a building eligibility. This would require a variance from Carver County. Mr. Hahn submitted maps detailing the splits. Discussion followed regarding the driveways into both 40 acres parcels. Township supervisors are to be kept informed as to Carver County intentions.

St Boni Fire Department proposal to raise Fire Relief annual per year for Service Benefits from \$5,200 to \$5,700 was discussed and a motion was made by Scott Hoese and seconded by Jerry Bruner to approve. Motion carried.

Chairman Scott Hoese will keep Board members informed on Fire Assessments for 2024 levy.

MAT 2023 Fall Legislative and Research Committee meeting will be held via zoom on October 4, 2023, 9 to 11 a.m. Board members are encouraged to participate.

Couri and Ruppe, P.L.L.P hourly rate will be increasing from \$265.00 per hour to \$290.00 per hour effective January 1, 2024.

Old Business

Township Website information regarding a few options for a Watertown Township website was reviewed and discussed. A committee to review options and develop a formal recommendation was appointed with Wayne Hubin and Kathy McCann as members. More information to follow at upcoming meetings.

Building Permits

None

Barry's Road/Site Report

Additional granite (1600 tons) was put down in Oct on the east mile of Swede lake Rd, and Quass Ave between 46th and 50th St. Dust coating on these 2 areas will follow.

Will begin fall road shoulder mowing.

The new plow truck will need to be ordered by the 1st of November to enable a second quarter, 2024 start date.

Mack truck will be scheduled for DOT inspection this month.

Payorders

A motion to approve authorization of current pay orders #13913-13917, and payroll pay orders #14309-14311, and tax pay orders, PERA10-23, USTR 10-23, was made by Jerry Bruner and seconded by Kathy McCann. Motion carried.

Chair Scott Hoese adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM.

Minutes submitted	by	Ann	Bruner,	Deputy	Clerk
-------------------	----	-----	---------	--------	-------

Clerk of Watertown Township

Chairman Scott Hoese	
Clerk Wayne Hubin	