

**Watertown Township
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
November 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, and Wayne Hubin

Visitors: Mike Wandersee, Seth Quiggle, Larry Oberander, Loren and Susan Kohls, John and Andrea Hebeisen, Garrett and Kelly Berkley, Jerry Enos, Ann Bruner, Dawn Anderstrom, and Doug Hoese.

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 October 7th, 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 10/31/2024 equaled \$54,064.81 and total disbursements of \$58,075.72, giving an ending balance of \$245,247.26, and an investment balance of \$301,971.36, therefore giving a grand total balance of \$547,218.62.

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

New Business

John and Andrea Hebeisen appeared before the Board to inquire about access to Oak Lake vacant lake shore property currently owned by the Loren Kohls family, as the Hebeisen's are considering purchase of the aforementioned property.

Following an overhead review and discussion of location of property lines, and the related location of Navajo Ave township right of way, there was consensus that the above party proceed with plans accordingly but to have open communication with all adjoining property owners as a matter of consideration. Also to meet with Barry to define driveway and culvert requirements and location.

Fire protection quotes from each of the cities of St. Boni, Watertown, and Mayer for 2025 fire protection were reviewed. Following discussion, a motion was made by Scott Hoese and seconded by Jerry Bruner to approve a resolution setting the rate per parcel at \$287.00 for a total assessment of \$154,224. Motion carried.

Old Business

An item of informaniton....the 2007 Mack truck was advertised on Market Place and Craig's List websites with an asking price of \$50,000, and ultimately sold for the sum of \$48,000 to Witte Construction of Faribault, MN.

Witte Construction also inquired about the grader V plow which has been stored unused at the Township for at least the last 29 years. Considering it's unused state, a motion was made by Scott Hoese and seconded by Kathy McCann to offer it at an asking price of \$500. Motion carried.

Alice Derry property access..... considering the Joint Resolution Agreement between the City of Watertown and the Town of Watertown, which in this case provides that all streets, roads, and alleys passing through or adjacent to land that has been annexed into the city is the responsibility of the City of Watertown. Therefore the issue of property access to the Alice Derry 36 acre parcel located at 2716 Highway 25 Watertown is between the landowner and the City of Watertown.

Other Informational Items

General Election judges will be as follows: Dawn Anderstrom (Hd Judge), Doug Hoese, Eunice Cohrs, Linda Schulenberg, Ann Bruner, Kirk Meintsma.

Note: Some judges will be working an 8 hr half shift, vs 16 hrs.

Building Permits

None

Barry's Road, Building and Site Report

Road shoulder mowing has been completed.

Ten additional loads of fill have been provided for road shoulder stabilization adjoining the Glen Strube property.

Road grading has been limited to spot dry grading due to the lack of moisture in the past month.

The new Western Star truck buildout progress was reviewed, and now appears that the completed unit will be available in late November.

Payorders

A motion to approve authorization of current pay orders #15031-15033, and tax pay orders, PERA 11-24, USTR 11-24, 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.

Minutes submitted by Wayne Hubin, Clerk of Watertown Township