

**Watertown Township
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
March 3, 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, Joe White, Dillon Derner, 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 Feb 3, 2025 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 Feb 28, 2025 equaled \$37,870.24 and total disbursements of \$16,065.95, giving an ending balance of \$247,362.12, and an investment balance of \$255,488.57, therefore giving a grand total balance of \$502,850.69.

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

A recommendation was made by the Treasurer to move \$100,000 from investments into checking, to supplement the current balance in that account.

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

New Business

Joe White of BH Aggregates appeared before the board to provide updates with regard to the Luebke gravel pit located at 5385 County Road 123, indicating that additional gravel would be removed from this pit for other purposes other than Carver County 212 projects, and also that a crusher would be in place for six weeks during the summer. All activity in this pit would end in 2025 and the site restored back to farmland.

Dillon Derner appeared before the board seeking a recommendation for a CUP and a variance for his sprinkler system business located at 5580 County Road 10 N. The variance is required due to the proximity of this business to the nextdoor neighbor to the south, who also operates a business under a CUP. Following discussion, a motion was made by Jerry Bruner and seconded by Kathy McCann to provide a supportive recommendation for both the CUP, and the variance in this case.
Motion carried.

2024 Book of Audit. This financial summary was made available to the supervisors in February, and has been reviewed and signed off by the same, with no issues.. Following discussion, a motion that was made by Kathy McCann and seconded by Jerry Bruner to approve the book of audit as submitted.
Motion carried.

The agenda for the March 11th annual meeting was reviewed and several minor changes were recommended.

Old Business

Mill Ave. The clerk has made contact with Bolton and Menk engineering firm as well as the City of Watertown administrator regarding the potential raising of Mill Ave. above the floodplain.

This project would require the involvement of the DNR, Carver County, City of Watertown, and Franklin Township.

He also made contact with Minnesota DOT regarding grant funding for such a purpose, however per the DOT, there is no current funding for LRIP projects.

An initial rough estimate made by Bolton & Menk indicated the project would cost in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000.

The Township will maintain the open communication in this regard with the City of Watertown, but at this point no further action is being initiated.

Other

A credit card authorization/use policy for township employees was reviewed and signed off by card users Barry Fritzke and Clerk Hubin.

Building Permits

None

Barry's Road, Building and Site Report

Road postings were put up at the beginning of this month due to the wet fall and deep frost resulting from minimal snow this winter season.

Quotes for gravel material and hauling prices were reviewed.

Regraveling plans include one to two miles of granite on Swede Lake Road, and 46th St.

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 #15078, and tax pay orders, PERA 03/25, USTR 03/25, and MN Q1,2025 was made by Kathy McCann and seconded by Jerry Bruner. Motion carried.

With no other business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned by Board Chair Scott Hoese at 7:45 PM

Minutes submitted by Wayne Hubin, Clerk of Watertown Township

Board Chair Scott Hoese_____

Attested by Clerk Wayne Hubin_____