

**Minutes of Special Town Board Meeting  
January 15, 2013**

A special meeting of the Watab Town Board was called to order at 7pm on Tuesday, January 15, 2013 at the Town Hall. All board members were present: Chair Ed Kacures Jr., Supervisors Lloyd Erdmann and Craig Gondeck, Treasurer Eileen Saldana, and Clerk Pat Spence.

The board discussed the proposal from the City of Rice to enter a one-year contract for 2013 at the lump sum amount of \$41,000, which would also be the payable amount for the past year. After considerable discussion, the board passed the following motion, which was moved by Supervisor Erdmann and seconded by Supervisor Gondeck: The Watab Town board rejects the lump sum contract of \$41,000 and counters with the lump-sum amount of \$38,500. Supervisor Kacures voted against the motion on the basis that \$38,500 was too high an amount. (The amount of \$38,500 was determined by the following rationale: Rice's original contract proposal was at 2.6% of Net Tax Capacity, which is \$24,500. Adding an average of forty calls per year at \$350 per hour, the total would be \$38,500.) Graham and Langola Townships are being assessed 2.38% of Net Tax Capacity. The board asked Clerk Spence to convey its decision to Mayor Rogholt and ask for negotiations to continue for a new contract.

Supervisor Kacures also updated the board members on the last Rice City Council meeting that he had attended.

The next item of business was to work on the 2013 budget. The Treasurer and Clerk were asked to check with the County Auditor on gravel tax for 2012. It appears that there is an error on the county report; beer license tax may have been reported in place of the gravel tax.

Considerable time was spent on discussion of a five-year road plan. The plan will be presented for discussion at the 2013 Annual Meeting.

The Clerk was asked to post the Board of Audit Meeting for Tuesday, January 29 at 7pm at the Town Hall. Continued discussion will continue regarding the budget and levy recommendations for the Annual Meeting.

Supervisor Gondeck asked the board about applying for grants for an outdoor emergency system warning siren. The board approved him working with the Clerk on grant applications.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Pat Spence