

Watab Township Supervisors' Meeting

September 10th, 2019

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

A regular monthly Watab Township Supervisors' meeting was called to order by Chairman Julie Johnson at 7 p.m. in the Watab Township Hall.

Those present offered allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

ROLL CALL

Board Supervisors present were Julie Johnson, Steve Wollak, and Todd Waytashek. Others included Clerk Nicole Burski, Treasurer Deborah O'Keefe, Natasha Barber from the Sauk Rapids Herald, Raj Mann, Jennifer Bruce Paulson, Greg Cremers, Dan Dvorak, Dorn Fisher, Tom A., Char Roeber, Terri Hansen, Scott Hansen, Jerry Kostreba, Steve Peka, Julie Fandel, Jack & Renee Polcher, Jeff Fandel, Scott Smith, Sue Monnier, Jill Posch, David VanDiest, Lisa VanDiest, Sandra Saldana, Ed Popp, Jeff Wollak, Paul Wippler, Clifford Weitgenant, Karsten Braatia, Katie Wilson, Bill Wilson, Roxanne Wilson, Stephanie Friesen, Lloyd Erdmann, Jocelyn Hicks, John Pearson, Wayne Peterson, Maureen Graber, Brian Erdmann, Lora Wanner, Robin Wollak, Dave Sweeney, Paul Wippler

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Approve the Agenda, Supervisor Todd Waytashek made a motion to approve the agenda with changes, Supervisor Steve Wollak 2nd, motion carries.

Consent Agenda – One motion for all items.

August 6th Regular Meeting Minutes

August 27th, Special Meeting- Pirates Cove development

Supervisor Steve Wollak made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Supervisor Todd Waytashek 2nd, motion carries.

Treasurer's Report- Treasurer asked that people leave dates and times when residents leave a message because phone does not show who, when, or what phone number called.

Falcon checking \$145,194.28, Bremer Market \$35,360.57 Total of \$180,554.85. Road and Bridge- Falcon Money Market \$302,420.22 Total all accounts \$482,975.07. Bremer Money Market \$2.10, Falcon Money Market \$102.71, Falcon checking \$30.47 the Falcon checking interest gets divided up amongst the funds. The township gets deposits from the State of MN which do not identify what they are. There was an additional amount deposited once checked on it was determined that the township gets a percentage of court fines and penalties. A motion was made by Supervisor Steve Wollak to approve the treasurer's report, Supervisor Todd Waytashek 2nd, motion carries.

Approve list of Bills & Claims & Payroll

Rice Recreation was a duplicate and will be voided. Questions regarding payroll, will wait until the end to review. Supervisor Steve Wollak made a motion to approve the claims with exception to Rice Recreation, Supervisor Todd Waytashek 2nd, motion carries. Supervisor Steve Wollak made a motion to approve payroll, Supervisor Todd Waytashek 2nd, motion carries.

Boy Scouts of America- Cleanup Day Service Project in return for using the townhall, they would rake, wash windows, and anything that is needed. They would provide approximately 1 hour of time. Board approved; no motion made.

Hall Estates – Dorn Fischer Subdivision Land Split request from Benton County. 2 lots for 60th street, straight East of Jack Frost. Land started as a 25-acre piece and wanting to split into 2 lots. A motion was made to approve the land split by Supervisor Todd Waytashek, Supervisor Steve Wollak 2nd, motion carries.

Bobcat Dealer – Scott Smith, Sues Road, south of Pines Edge Grocery – Commercial 2nd Driveway Request. Would like to put an entry to the south side not into the curve so people could turn around and not have to back out with a trailer and skid loader. Board would like a one way in and one way out. Supervisor Steve Wollak made motion to approve the 2nd commercial driveway, Supervisor Todd Waytashek 2^{nd, motion} carries. Mr. Smith will need to fill out a permit request online and turn in to Supervisor Todd Waytashek.

Town Hall Building Permit Filing System Change – Recommended filing by PID address

Supervisor Julie Johnson is willing to do redo the filing system this winter by PID and address. Supervisor Todd Waytashek will be willing to help this winter.

Supervisor Julie Johnson will work on one cabinet for an hour and see how long that takes her.

Lakewood Shores Right of Way Clearing – Discussion of scope of work to be quoted.

How far back do we want it cleared back? The board thought there is 3 or 4 sections that need to be cleared. Supervisor Todd Waytashek will mark the road how far that needs to be cleared.

Quiet Crossing – 105th west of the quiet crossing – Public Hearing is set for September 23, 2019 at 7 pm, immediately following the Developers Agreement & Subdivision Ordinance.

Sues Road/108th Road Condition – review

Supervisor Julie Johnson stated the road is deteriorating rapidly and needs attention immediate attention. Supervisor Todd Waytashek thinks a culvert needs to be added and patching. Supervisor Julie Johnson will have Nick Anderson look at it and give recommendations.

80th street NW- Curve has issues, needs to be patched. A motion was made to approve MN Blacktopping's quote for \$2,900.00 by Supervisor Steve Wollak, Supervisor Todd Waytashek 2nd, motion carries.

Lakewood Shores- washing out underneath the tar, cones should be placed. Recommended to put some gravel with a fabric that water doesn't go through to prevent more washout. Brian Erdmann provided a rough estimate of \$500.

West Lake Court- part of the road is gone and has large potholes. Supervisor Julie Johnson will put out for asphalt filling bids.

Benton County CUP/Variance Requests:

Surma – Alternative Flood Proofing Elevation, site has been prepped and the board does not see any problems with it.

Mitch Rangel plat- Ren-Kus Calm Waters, would like to make 3 lots into 2 lots- the board does not see any problems with it. A motion was made by Supervisor Todd Waytashek to approve the change, Supervisor Steve Wollak 2nd, motion carries.

Sharon Place Survey Results

Supervisor Julie Johnson does not have the results yet, should have by this week. A special meeting is requested with Jay Witstock and the township attorney to go over the results and make recommendations before filing with the county and presenting it to the public. Tentatively set for Thursday, October 10th, 2019.

Resolution 2019-8: Certify unpaid medical bills to property taxes. A certified letter was sent to inform residents that the unpaid bills will be added to their property taxes.

3 people to be certified excluding the veteran who is working with the VA to pay his bill. A motion was made to approve Resolution 2019-8 in the amount of \$1006.25 by Supervisor Steve Wollak, Supervisor Todd Waytashek 2nd, motion carries.

Sentence to Serve Road Report – Supervisor Wollak

Darren has medical issues, Tree trimming: Sharon Place (a little left), Burton Ct NW, Shoestring Loop, Johnson Road done. Crack filling: Oak Hill and Jaco Road is done. He expects to get all done before ground freeze.

Setting policy on how far to tar driveway approaches with new road construction- Benton County tars 1ft-2ft back, Supervisor Julie Johnson stated a discussion was had last meeting about ag entrances being about 2ft, residents being 8ft, commercial about 4ft. The discussion was to set a standard policy for all road construction/ driveway approaches. Supervisor Todd Waytashek suggested we wait on setting policy until all scenarios are discussed like adding radius of curves and other possible factors.

Supervisor Julie Johnson announced she has a Nationwide insurance form for bond completion for Brian Erdmann that she will complete and send in.

MS4 Report- Supervisor Todd Waytashek was not able to complete because the website was down. He has started it and it is about 22 pages long so far.

Schlichting/Wojtanowicz Aerial Spraying Information – Jocelyn Schlichting

Department of Ag is here to speak on their behalf as they regulate the spraying. The FAA regulates the noise complaints. Residents are welcome to call Jocelyn Schlichting with any additional questions.

Residents had several questions. The Department of Ag provided information and answered resident's questions. All complaints can be made on their website or by calling Andrew Murphy with the Department of Ag in Saint Paul, MN. It can take up to 5-6 months to investigate and close a complaint case.

Supervisor Julie Johnson said she would go to the Department of Ag's website and provide quarterly reports from the website for Watab residents.

Citizens Input – Time limit 3 minutes

Jerry Kostreba- would like to know what it would take to get a child at play sign for his neighbor, Mike Welhen. Supervisor stated they would need to go through the township. Supervisor Steve Wollak will stop in and talk to them.

Supervisor Steve Wollak made a motion to adjourn, Supervisor Todd Waytashek 2nd,

Adjournment 8:22 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Respectfully accepted,

Nicole Burski

Julie Johnson

Watab Township Clerk

Watab Township Chairman