

Watab Town Board Budget Work Session Minutes

The Watab Town Board met on Monday, February 20, 2012 at the town hall to work on the budget for 2012 and discuss the railroad crossing project for Lakewood Shore Road and the grant for the outdoor warning sirens. Board members present were Clerk Pat Spence and Supervisors Craig Gondeck, and Lloyd Erdmann. Vice-Chair Gondeck called the meeting to order at 7:10pm. He reported on the progress on the grant application process for outdoor warning sirens. The board decided to apply for a grant of approximately \$100,000 for three sirens. The application will be submitted through Benton County, with the assistance of Jim McDermott.

Supervisor Kacures arrived at 7:15pm and took over as chair of the meeting. The board reviewed the estimate for the quiet zone at the Lakewood Shore Road railroad crossing and the road improvements associated with the project for Lakewood Shore Road and Plaziak Road going north from Lakewood Shore Rd. The board will bring modifications to engineer Jon Bogart: shorten the Lakewood Shore project to stop at Iten Road instead of the curve; and add rip rap at the crossing on both sides of the road. Supervisor Erdmann will speak to Jon about the changes and the board's request to have him present the project at the annual meeting.

Supervisor Erdmann is speaking with potential donors for the County Road 79 crossing to become a quiet zone.

The board then reviewed the draft budget prepared by the Clerk. She will bring a final copy to the March board meeting for approval.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Pat Spence