

## **Watson Township Board Meeting**

**August 6, 2015**

**Called to order: 7:00**

**Present:** Chuck Andrysiak, Pam Brown, Rod Zeinstra, and Sue Jones

**Absent:** Kelli Morris

**Agenda:**

Chuck made a motion to accept agenda as presented, supported by Sue, all in favor, motion carried.

**Reports:**

**Hopkins Area Fire:**

The supervisor read an emailed report from Hopkins Fire Chief Tim McKinnon.

**Planning Commission Report:**

Chuck explained they had a rezoning request by Otsego Crane and Hoist to rezone 200 feet to the north and 60 feet on east side from A-2 to C-1. Planning commission approved it. Also will be reviewing gravel pits next month.

**Library Report:**

None

**Sexton Report:**

No Funeral this month.

**County Commissioners- Jon Campbell:**

None

**Supervisors Report:**

Kelly Beckers retired; Phil Kernoodle is replacing him. Road Commission fixed 3 driveways at Hicks Cemetery and graded road to have water run the other side. Pam sent thank you email to them. 16<sup>th</sup> St is done and 12th St is almost done.

#### **Minutes:**

Motion made by Chuck to approve minutes for July 8, 2015, supported by Rod, all in favor, motion carried. Sue did not vote.

#### **Bills:**

Motion made by Rod to pay bills as presented, supported by Chuck, all in favor, motion carried.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Sue gave a report on current bank balances.

#### **Old Business:**

Streetlights installed on 14<sup>th</sup> & 116<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 116<sup>th</sup> along M-222. Chuck said driving east the light was not quite as visible at 23rd but board agreed to put up the rest of them.

#### **New Business:**

Rezoning of Otsego Crane and Hoist 1677 116<sup>th</sup> ave. Board discussed thoroughly rezoning request and then opened meeting for public comment. Ron Mehalski; property owner on west side, said it will affect wetlands behind property, store unsightly materials, visible from daughters and his property. Cathy Pardee commented property is always neat and orderly. All requested permits on file with additional inspection by DEQ and Allegan County Health Department. Rod made motion to approve rezoning of property, see attached, from A-2 to C-1, supported by Sue. Roll call vote:

Rod yes, Chuck yes, Sue yes, Pam yes. Resolution # 080615-1 is adopted.

Board discussed fencing at Hicks Cemetery, Some questions on estimate. Decided to place ad in paper for bids to fence south side of Hicks cemetery with 4ft goat fencing and 12 foot post span. Mr. Lohrstorfer is retiring, recommended Roxanne Seeber for Township Attorney. Board agreed.

**Public Comment:**

Ken Pardee asked about Fire District meeting at Yankee Springs August 13. No one on the board had any info on it.

**Adjourn:**

Motion to adjourn made by Sue, support by Rod, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned 8:41pm.

Sue Jones

Watson Treasurer

Secretary Pro-Tem