

WATAB TOWN BOARD MEETING
Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 11, 2023 – 7:00 pm

The regular monthly Watab Township Board Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Johnson at 7:00 pm in the Watab Township Hall.

ROLL CALL

Board members present: Julie Johnson, Steve Wollak, Jesse Arndt, Kathy Sauer, Clerk

Others Present: Jerry Kostreba, Julie Fandel, Natasha Barber, Joe Holtz, Sandra Saldana, Paul Wippler, Jim Abfalter

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

- a. Meeting with Langola Township regarding 115th Avenue NW and 115th Street NE
- b. Lakewood Shores/Ferry Point
- c. Fine schedule

2. APPROVE THE AGENDA

Supervisor Wollak made a motion to approve the agenda; Supervisor Arndt seconded; motion carried.

3. CONSENT AGENDA—One motion for all items

- a. June 13, 2023: Regular Board Meeting

Supervisor Arndt moved to approve the consent agenda; Supervisor Wollak seconded; motion carried.

4. TREASURER’S REPORT

FALCON CHECKING STATEMENT

June 30, 2023:

Ending Balance	\$98,162.60
Outstanding Deposits	<u>+00.00</u>
	\$98,162.60
Outstanding Checks	
8487	84.10
8574	<u>6,625.00</u>
BALANCE	\$91,453.50

CTAS Schedule 1 Balance **\$91,453.50**

Difference **00.00**

As of June 30, 2023, the bank balance and the Township records are in balance.

Notes:

- Checking Account Interest: \$16.32
- Road & Bridge Savings Interest: \$24.66
- Town Hall Building Savings Interest: \$4.31
- Intrafi Interest: \$1,342.13
- BCA Fine Share: \$339.94

Voided Checks: 8532-8559 (Checks were dated wrong)

AUDIT REPORT

Clerk Sauer reported that the auditors are still requesting documents, so there is no update at this time.

5. APPROVE LIST OF CLAIMS AND PAYROLL

Receipts for the month of June:	\$143,104.45
Disbursements for the month of June:	\$155,669.05

EFT Payments:

Internal Revenue Service	\$960.94
MN Dept of Revenue	\$45.08
Public Employee Retirement	\$592.24

Supervisor Wollak made a motion to approve the List of Claims and Payroll; Supervisor Arndt seconded; motion carried.

6. WSB ENGINEER REPORT—Kevin Kruger

a. Construction 2023 Bid Opening

Knife River	\$871,228.73
OMG Midwest	\$944,071.25

Kevin recommended awarding the contract to the low bidder, Knife River.

b. Preliminary Awarding of Construction Projects 2023

Supervisor Wollak made a motion to approve Knife River as the contractor with a bid of \$871,228.73. Supervisor Arndt seconded; motion carried.

c. Construction Start Update

Kevin will check on a start-date for construction.

d. Shoestring Loop Update

e. Lakewood Shores/Ferry Point

Both roads are in terrible condition. Kevin will bring an estimate for overlaying both roads for consideration at next month's meeting.

7. DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT REQUESTS

None

8. BURTON COURT DRIVEWAY/MS4 ISSUE

The County has contacted the Township regarding several potential violations with regard to clearing violations.

Supervisors Wollak and Arndt will meet with the property owner to review the property.

9. GRANITE CHIP QUOTE—5TH AVENUE NE

Bertram Asphalt submitted a quote for \$5,005.00 per load for County Road 33 to County Road 4. Supervisor Johnson made a motion to approve 3 loads; Supervisor Arndt seconded; motion carried.

10. ADDITIONAL PROJECTS/OVERLAYS—Budget Discussion

80th Street NW and Johnson Road need overlays; will consider next month.

11. SHARON PLACE GRAVEYARD UPDATE

Dylan Goetsch has submitted a request to approve permanently moving the north line to the property line; decision is pending.

12. BENTON COUNTY PROPOSED CANNABIS ORDINANCE

Supervisor Arndt recommended waiting until the County ordinance is finalized.

13. FINE SCHEDULE

Supervisor Johnson submitted a fine schedule for board consideration at next month’s meeting.

14. 115th STREET NW and 115TH STREET NE

Langola Township has requested clarification on management responsibilities for 115th Avenue NW and 115th Street NE. Clerk Sauer will work with them to schedule a time for them to meet with the Watab Board of Supervisors to discuss.

15. CITIZEN’S INPUT

• **Joe Holtz 14420 83rd Street**

Mr. Holtz claimed he was defamed to his employees. He also stated that he will file a lawsuit against Supervisor Johnson and the Township. He claims he is not in violation of any laws or ordinances and has not disturbed the land; only has removed brush and dead trees. He has no design or plans for the property.

• **Paul Wippler**

Doesn’t understand the problems Mr. Holtz has with the Board and advised him to work with them to resolve the issues.

• **Julie Fandel**

Inquired if there is anything that can be done about the trailer on Sharon Place.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Wollak made a motion to adjourn; Supervisor Arndt seconded; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:37.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Sauer
Township Clerk

Julie Johnson, Board Chairperson

Date

Kathy Sauer, Clerk

Date