

Watts Township
April 6, 2016

Present: Nancy Cangoli, Karl Raudensky, Dr. Pat Gutheil, Glenn Smithgall, Zoning Officer Bob Hart, Engineer Jerry Spease and 13 residents.

The Watts Township Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., on April 6, 2016 at the New Buffalo Fire Hall by Chairman Karl Raudensky with the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made to approve the minutes as read. Smithgall/Gutheil. Motion carried unanimously

Chairman Raudensky announced an executive session was held for the purpose of legal matters.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian Reifsnnyder asked what the legal matter was. Chairman Raudensky stated it was not allowed to be said per the attorney.

John Hefenfinger commented on the grading of road shoulders. Chairman Raudensky thanked him. Brian Reifsnnyder stated regarding legal matters in the sunshine act it has to be stated regarding who. Chairman Raudensky said advice will be gotten from the attorney.

SOLICITOR

A motion was made to pursue the action on the legal matter per the advice of the Solicitor's instructions. Raudensky/Gutheil. Motion carried unanimously.

ZONING OFFICER

4 permits were issued. Matt Rafensberger-removing existing trailer and replacing it with a modular home, 2 for Lester Sharar-removing a burned out mobile home and replacing with modular, Doug Hammaker-pole barn, Liberty Plaza-change of use. The home is being changed to office storage and the garage to maintenance building. Per the conditions stipulated on the Final Plan, the Zoning Officer is to determine the time frame for these structures to be removed and the home and garage are currently being occupied. All minor buildings have been removed. There was discussion on the meaning of occupied. There should be an address assigned and will be checked. It should be taxed as commercial now instead of residential and will be checked.

ENGINEER

The GP permit for the Fire Company has been received and Neil Imes needs to be notified. The application for the General Permit for Morris Rd has been started.

SEO

J.C. Smith has begun doing the door to door surveys for the Act 537 plan.

FIRE COMPANY

The monthly report was submitted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Status of SALDO-The Secretary has incorporated the PC and Engineer's changes into the document and is being sent back to the PC and Engineer.

Audit 2015-It is completed, filed and approved by DCED. A motion was made to advertise the audit. Smithgall/Gutheil. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made to rescind the motion for ALS Laboratory sampling and approving Fairway Labs for the Act 537 plan. Gutheil/Raudensky. Motion carried unanimously.

Sale of Excess Equipment-The Secretary needs more information to advertise.
Letter from Auditors regarding Supervisor working pay rate-Beverly Reifsnnyder explained there was confusion on their motion so they rescinded that motion, have clarified that the rates will still be \$13.50 for unskilled and \$15.00 for skilled and will provide a copy of the motion to the office. There was discussion on the why there were two different scales.

NEW BUSINESS

Spring clean up will be May 21, 2016

A motion was made to adopt Resolution 16-03 naming Nancy Cangioli as the Designation of Agent for Winter Storm Jonas. Smithgall/Gutheil. Motion carried unanimously. There will be a kick-off meeting with FEMA on April 14, 2016.

Supervisor Smithgall reported Gary Raub maybe interested in selling some of his property to the west of the township building to the township if a letter of intent is sent. A motion was made to send a letter of intent to Gary Raub. Smithgall/Gutheil. Motion carried unanimously.

ROAD MASTER

The bids for the purchase of a pick-up truck were opened. Forrer Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram bid a 2013 for \$22,671.00; Lawrence Chevrolet bid a 2016 for \$29,245.00. These bids do not include a plow. A motion was made to reject all bids. Raudensky/Smithgall. Motion carried unanimously. Bids will be sought for a new pick-up instead of used.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The March 9, 2016 minutes have been submitted.

<u>Plan</u>	<u>Date submitted</u>	<u>Date Approve/Disapprove</u>
Farhat Excavating LLC	2/24/16-PC 3/19/16	6/1/16

A motion was made to approve the bills to be paid and any bills that come due before the next meeting. Gutheil/Smithgall. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Gutheil/Smithgall. Motion carried unanimously.