

Winnebago Township Board of Trustees Meeting
February 13, 2024
7:00 p.m.
Winnebago Township Westfield Facility

Supervisor Hodges called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and then led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Township officials present were Supervisor, Greg Hodges; Trustees: Dennis Cross, Ray Heeren, Craig McClure, and Barry Palm; Road Commissioner, Aaron Rowley, and Clerk Sue Jansen. Assessor Paula Lutzow was absent. Guests present were Jim and Joyce King.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the January 9, 2024 Regular Meeting were read. Trustee McClure made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Trustee Cross. There was a correction regarding the purchase of land for cemetery expansion. The minutes should state seven acres. All voted aye and the minutes were approved as corrected.

Financial Reports

Supervisor Hodges read the General and Cemetery Funds Bills Payable Report for February 2024. Trustee McClure made a motion to approve the General and Cemetery Funds Bills Payable for February 2024, seconded by Trustee Cross.

Roll Call Vote: Aye: Cross, Heeren, McClure, Palm and Hodges. Nay: None.

Motion approved 5-0.

Supervisor Hodges read the General and Cemetery Funds Bills Paid Report for January 2024. Trustee McClure made a motion to approve the General and Cemetery Bills Paid for January 2024; seconded by Trustee Heeren.

Roll Call Vote: Aye: Heeren, McClure, Palm, Hodges, and Cross. Nay: None.

Motion approved 5-0.

Road Commissioner Rowley read the Road and Bridge and Hard Road Bills Payable Report for February 2024. Trustee McClure made a motion to approve the Road and Bridge and Hard Road Bills Payable for February 2024; seconded by Trustee Palm.

Roll Call Vote: Aye: McClure, Palm, Hodges, Cross, and Heeren. Nay: None.

Motion approved 5-0.

Road Commissioner Rowley read the Road and Bridge and Hard Road Bills Paid Report for January 2024. Trustee McClure made a motion to approve the Road and Bridge and Hard Road Bills Paid for January 2024; seconded by Trustee Heeren.

Roll Call Vote: Aye: Palm, Hodges, Cross, Heeren, and McClure. Nay: None.

Motion approved 5-0.

Supervisor's Comments

Supervisor Hodges stated that he got cellphones for the Supervisor and Clerk. He had a couple of requests for General Assistance, but nothing that met the required parameters.

He also stated that Jim Howard is going to be done as IT person for the township. A new person will be taking over those duties as well as the web-site.

Road Commissioner's Comments

Road Commissioner Rowley stated that there will be a bid opening for repair of Weldon Road at the county on February 16th. The new batwing mower has been delivered. He has asked for quotes on new snow plows.

Assessor's Comments

Absent.

Old Business

There was no new information on the land acquisition for the Winnebago Cemetery.

Trustee McClure attended the Winnebago Cemetery Board Meeting. They hope to have mowing bids available for our March Board Meeting. Cemetery Sexton, Bryan Kenagy, is going to add a fee for opening and closing graves and marking the grave sites. They discussed increasing lot fees. They would like one of the drives, probably the north one, widened and the dirt pile removed. There will be a clean-up day in April. Bryan has written some rules for the cemetery, following state recommendations.

The Decennial Committee Meeting scheduled for tonight is cancelled due to the absence of a committee member.

It was noted that March 1 is the last day to request items placed on the Annual Meeting Agenda.

There being no further business Trustee McClure made a motion for the meeting to be adjourned; seconded by Trustee Cross. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Sue Jansen, Winnebago Township Clerk

Approved: March 12, 2024

Gregory Hodges, Supervisor