

A Road Vacation hearing for Warren Addition was held on June 14, 2011 beginning at 7:00 p.m. Six residents were present: Lynn Freeman, Larry Westrum, Kelly Krull, Todd Krull, Dana Fisher, Mikaela Fisher, Roger Johnson and Randy Blake. Russ Nickerson, Rebecca Beevor, Amanda Lofthus, Michael Schmidt and Roger Corson were also present for the board.

The pledge to the flag was recited, Russ called the meeting to order and gave a brief history of petitioning roads in the past. It takes eight voters within three miles to petition the vacation. A road hearing is set and then the town board has the final say if it is vacated or not. The map was pointed out again and recitation of where the property is that will be vacated: Raven Road. It was specified what exactly we were questioning. It was invited that we could physically view the road to be sure that everyone is aware of what we were talking about. Are taxes going to be reduced? The landowners affected will be taking back a portion of the road as their own, this will be determined by the township assessor. The meeting is to hear of anyone's concerns regarding this process. There is no vote by the residents, it is up to the board to make the final decision. The roads are registered for public use. Any surveys will need to be paid for by the residents that may affect their property lines. One resident has a septic drain in the easement, this would be to their benefit.

What are the concerns if we abandon it? Privacy and trespassing will be benefited, the residents will be able to post their properties. Residents are supportive of the vacation and feel this would be beneficial for them. Russ advised that we hope neighbors agree to meet in the middle of the road for property lines to be laid and shared. Three residents are not in favor of the vacation because they feel once the road is vacated, it will not be reclaimed by the township in the future.

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.