

Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 11, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bowman at 6:01 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

No workshop.

Roll call: Supervisor Bowman, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte. Excused Clerk Hurst and Trustee Morgan. Also showing present: Township Manager Burdick, Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, Finance Director Holtz, Water Superintendent Danci and 6 attendees.

3. Agenda: Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush, to approve the agenda. Oddy would like to see the workshop done before the regular board meeting starts, Bowman wants to eliminate the workshop, to be discussed in the future. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment/Open Floor: Two (2) attendees spoke.

5. Minutes:

A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson, to approve the regular board meeting minutes of May 28, 2024. Motion carried.

6. Warrants:

Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson, to approve warrants totaling \$146,350.88. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush, to receive and file the supervisor's report. Motion carried.

8. Attorney's report by Young. Young reported that blight enforcement is going strong and he is in court once a month for blight. A bill out there to establish a storm water committee. Need to add E. Campbell to DPW interview committee due to Bowman excusing himself, since this committee was board approved. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush, to accept the report. Motion carried.

Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush, to add Item H to the agenda adding E. Campbell to DPW hiring committee replacing Bowman. Motion carried.

9. Police Report by Chief Luke: Gave report and stated Rawsonville and Willis was top crash site in Sumpter. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush, to accept the police report. Motion carried.

10. Building Report by Bowman. Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush to accept the building report as read. Motion carried.

11. Fire Report by Chief Brown. Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson, to accept the fire report as read. Motion carried.

12. Board Response: Rush discussed the weather, and Sumpter is Storm Ready. Rush reminded everyone of the June 14, 2024, CWW meeting at the Township Hall. Manager Burdick stated next meeting would have AFSCME request for floater holiday for July 5, 2024. Patterson discussed fire millage; people need to study.

13. New Business:

A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush, to deny all bids received for the floating dock framework and deckway. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Patterson, supported by LaPorte, to approve the annual employee cookout for June 28, 2024, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Oddy supported by Rush to approve the employment agreement for Fire Chief Richard Brown, effective June 24, 2024. Motion carried.

D. Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson to approve the volunteer's plan to refresh the Banotai Park playscape, including removing the wood split rail fence around the playscape, utilizing ARPA funds with expenses approved by the board of trustees. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson, to approve the CWA proposal to conduct the building department audit and assessment at a charge not to exceed \$7,000.00. Motion carried.

F. Motion by Patterson, supported by Bowman for approval of the CWA proposal to renew the retainer with monthly fees effective September 1st for 2024 and rates effective each January 1st for 2025, 2026, and 2027. Motion carried.

G. Motion by Bowman, supported by Oddy, to **table** accepting the recycling concrete pad bid submitted by Diversified Excavating in the amount of \$56,400.00 paid with ARPA funds for more specific information. Since the bid is \$20,000 higher than planned, Oddy would like to know which ARPA project the extra money would be taken from. Motion carried.

H. Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson, to add E. Campbell to the DPW hiring committee in place of Bowman. Motion carried.

14. Announcements: The June Jingle will be on June 20, 2024, under the pavilion while the Summer Vendor Market is taking place.

15. Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson, to adjourn at 6:34 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by:
Deputy Clerk K. Armatis
Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk

Date

Timothy Bowman, Supervisor

Date