

Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

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

Bart Patterson introduced speaker Bill Kenyon with the Maxwell Leadership Certified Team. Mr. Kenyon spoke about holding a session on customer service. Good is the enemy of great. Even though the staff is good, there is always room for improvement.

No workshop.

Roll call: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Also showing present: Township Manager Burdick, Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, Finance Director Holtz, and 9 attendees.

3. Agenda: Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson, to approve the agenda with the removal of Item H. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment/Open Floor: One (1) attendee spoke. Welcome back Mary Ban.

5. Minutes:

A. Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson to approve the regular board meeting minutes of April 23, 2024. Motion carried.

6. Warrants:

A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson, to approve warrants totaling \$302,107.62. 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. No report. Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy to accept the no report. Motion carried.

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

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

11. Fire Report by Chief Brown. 109 runs, 83 were medical for the month of April. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Oddy to accept the fire report as read. Motion carried.

12. Board Response: Rush reminded everyone of the June 14, 2024, CWW meeting at the Township Hall.

Township manager Burdick reported that the next ARPA meeting is May 22, 2024, There is a Memorial Day parade on that day at 10:00 am in Belleville and that this is National Police Week. Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush to accept the township manager's report. Motion carried.

13. New Business:

A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush, to approve Resolution 2024-04 for the 2023-2024 Wayne County Millage funding allocation of \$13,517.00. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Morgan, supported by Hurst, to approve the AFSCME acceptance for any temporary part-time position to be paid at a rate of \$23.33 per hour, effective April 10, 2024. Discussion: Patterson believes it is excessive, but will go along with the vote. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Oddy supported by Rush to approve Resolution 2024-05 regarding Tri-Community redistricting borders. Motion carried.

D. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to approve invoice #5106 from Bush & Son for \$1,316.00 using ARPA funds. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush, to extend the temporary DPW worker, Rachel Scott, until July 24, 2024. Motion carried.

F. Motion by Morgan, supported by Oddy for approval of the interview committee of candidates for the full-time AFSCME, Department of Public Works position, committee members, LaPorte, Holtz, Bowman, Armatis and Danci. Motion carried.

G. Motion by Morgan, supported by Hurst, to hire Gabriella Massel for the temporary part-time position at the hourly rate of \$23,33, effective May 6, 2024 ending November 15, 2024. Discussion: Patterson did not like the process, Hurst responded went through the process once, now time is running out, Oddy agreed

process going forward needs to be followed. Roll Call Vote: Yay: Morgan, Rush, LaPorte, Oddy, Hurst. Nay: Patterson, Bowman. Motion carried.

H. **REMOVED.** Consider approval of the proposal and retainer fee of \$2,500.00 for SSA Architects to design the Supervisor's office renovation.

14. Announcements: LaPorte stated that the fire department switched over to Clemis successfully due to Chief Brown and Jamie Goode, great job and that driver's training for the whole department had been completed.

Mary Ban announced a spiritual revival at the River of Life Church, this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

15. Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush, 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