

Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 24, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bowman at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: Oddy, LaPorte, and Rush. Morgan excused. Also showing present: Township Manager Burdick, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Finance Director Holtz, Attorney Young, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, and 8 attendees.

3. Agenda: Motion by Patterson, supported by LaPorte, to approve the agenda with the removal of items A and B and addition of items J and K. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment. 2 attendees spoke.

5. Minutes: Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy, to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2024, and approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2024. Motion carried.

6. Warrants: Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush, to approve warrants totaling \$161,874.99. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. Finance report given by Holtz. Royalty just came in, and it is 5% less. Feds cut rate 50%. MGFOA is next week that he and Deputy Campbell are attending. October 1, 2024 marks half way through the year. 2025-2026 budget planning will begin, please think ahead. Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy, to approve the finance report. Motion carried.

8. Township Manager Burdick read his report. Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson, to approve the manager's report. Motion carried.

9. Water/Sewer report: Motion by Oddy, supported by Bowman, to receive and file the report. Motion carried.

10. Treasurer's report: Motion by Rush, supported by Hurst, to receive and file the report. Motion carried.

11. Planning & Zoning report: Oddy stated the next meeting in November will have special land use zoning with adjustments to the animal ordinance. Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush, to accept the planning/zoning report. Motion carried.

12. Board Response: Rush wants a disclaimer put on the video recording of the board meeting regarding the inappropriate language used by a citizen. LaPorte called upon J. Goode to report on the Risk Reduction program. He had obtained 76 smoke detectors and 25 CO detectors through

the program. He will have unlimited stock after this initial amount. Four seniors to this date have made requests. LaPorte and the board thanked Goode for his program.

13. New Business:

A. REMOVED. Consider approving an amendment to the Finance Director's and Township Accountant's contracts to report to the township board.

B. REMOVED. Consider defining that payroll duties are under the Clerk's office supervision and overseen by the Finance Director.

C. Motion by Patterson, supported by LaPorte, to accept the fuel tank refresh quote from Chapp & Bushey Oil Company at a total cost of \$3,915.65. Motion carried.

D. Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy, to approve Rachel Scott, DPW, to attend the MRWA S3 & S4 training at a cost not to exceed \$650.00. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush, to approve the attached proposed ARPA re-obligation of funds and targeted projects. Motion carried.

F. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Oddy, to accept the bid by EMU Global Services to replace the police department's south side windows at a cost of \$18,350.00 paid with ARPA funds or other available funds, if required. Motion carried.

G. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte, to approve the sole bid by Concrete Floor Treatment to replace the police department restroom floors at the cost of \$13,952.00, paid with ARPA funds or other available funds, if required. Motion carried.

H. Motion by Patterson, supported by Oddy, to post and publish an invitation to bid for township buildings' fire and security alarm installation and monitoring services. Motion carried.

I. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte, to post and publish an invitation to bid for the township hall roof replacement, which will be paid for with ARPA and other additional funds if required. Motion carried.

J. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush, to accept the sole bid by Diversified Excavating for Banotai and Graham Park interior roadways and parking lots for \$39,800.00 which includes a savings of \$10,000.00 by using the campus parking lot millings. Motion carried.

K. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush, to approve Resolution 2024-08 regarding hazardous waste disposal. Amended by Patterson, supported by Hurst. Roll call vote: Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

14. Announcements: None.

15. Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush, to go into closed session pertaining to the attorney's opinion letter on Republic Landfill and the attorney's opinion letter on a pending audit at 6:41 pm. Roll call vote: Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Hurst, supported by LaPorte to come back into open session at 7:25 pm. Motion carried.

Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson to have the attorney proceed as directed. Motion carried.

16. Motion by Patterson, supported by LaPorte to adjourn at 7:26 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Deputy Clerk K. Armatris Sumpter Township