

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
Sagola Community Bldg.  
July 2, 2018**

**MINUTES**

Don Minerick, Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Supervisor Don Minerick, Clerk Julie Roell, Treasurer Rita Rotter, Trustees Mike Kroll and Tom Roell

Add to Business (c) Metro Act Renewal. **Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by J. Roell, to approve the amended agenda.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

P. Minerick: Pam thanked the Fire Dept. for helping to set up Bingo at the Channing bus garage. Donna Cline estimates a profit of \$600 from the proceeds.

G. McCole: AV ballots should be made available to voters.

J. Roell: Applications must be received before the mailing of ballots.

D. Cline: There is a new incidence of blight on the corner of M-95 & Bice Creek Rd.

B. Miller: Renting the Newberg Park pavilion could be set at \$75 with \$25 refunded for cleaning up after use. The Board agreed.

J. Miller: Two dusk to dawn light sensors need to be replaced. Don will see if he has some on hand. WE Energies is supposed to come out to the lake to fix a pole and will be asked to help with the sensors.

**Moved by T. Roell, Supported by M. Kroll, to approve the 6/4/18 Regular Meeting Minutes as written.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by J. Roell, Supported by M. Kroll, to pay special bills: Accident Fund (\$3658) workers' comp; Hannula Insurance (\$1798) Fire Dept. supplemental insurance; MI Rural Water (\$330) annual membership dues; GEI (\$1952) SAW Grant, and all regular bills.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

-The is a foreclosure on a property in Sagola (blue trailer) in the amount of \$1940.

-A new flag is needed at the Channing ball park. Ben has one to put up.

-DNR reports are not being filed on time. Ben does not get the reports from White Water quick enough. Julie received reports online from White Water and Ben needs to call and give them his email so that he

**CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm**

**ROLL CALL**

All Present

**AGENDA**

Amended Agenda **Approved**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments Opened: 6:04 PM

Comments Closed: 6:11 PM

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

6/4/18 Regular Minutes

**Approved**

**OFFICIALS REPORTS**

Clerk/Julie Roell

Special & Regular Bills **Approved**

**Treasurer/Rita Rotter**

can receive the reports and forward the information to the DEQ in Marquette.

- The field near the 4-H camp is owned by the township.
- Watson Disposal has removed the 6-yard dumpster and replaced it with the 4-yard dumpster. Garbage is hauled away on a weekly basis.
- Bids from BACCO for sidewalks in Channing are too high. Don is continuing to seek bids from other sources.
- Ken Santi will check the Sagola drain field to see if it needs to be pumped out.
- Don attended the Road Commission meeting and found out that \$500,000 was given to the DCRC. It should have been earmarked for roads and bridges. Don contacted the state and was told the money could be used in whatever fashion the DCRC desired. The money was spent in raises for the DCRC administration expenses with a 3-5% increase in wages and benefits.
- Ben hit the Channing ball park gate with the trailer and it needs to be fixed.
- The new township maintenance truck will be picked up in August at the cost of \$23,500.
- Don asked Rita if she could check into the bank interest rates for the checking and savings accounts. She will check into the Iron Mtn Credit Union.

T. Roell: A quote has not been received for blacktopping the Newberg Park road.

M. Kroll: Mike inquired into the new assessor training qualifications, the mutual aid agreement with Felch, and the zoning ordinance uploaded to the township website. The zoning ordinance and permit form have been added to the website. The fire hydrant at the Channing park needs to be looked at and Ben will contact Boussum.

Amy presented the Board with a sample resolution to waive the collection of penalties for the non-filing or late filing of property transfer affidavits. **Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. Roell, to waive the fees for non-filing or late filing of property transfer affidavits.**

**ROLL CALL : Ayes: M. Kroll, T. Roell, D. Minerick, R. Rotter, J. Roell**

**Nays: None                      RESOLUTION APPROVED**

Dan reported three page-outs: a lightning strike at Peavy Falls, tree on the powerline on Co. Rd. 607, and a leaky gas tank on Spruce Lane. Cory and Dan burnt off the spilled gasoline. In a few months,

**Supervisor/Don Minerick**

**M. Kroll, T. Roell/Trustees**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**  
**Assessor/Amy Marinoff**

**Fire Dept./Dan Simonsen, Chief**

the Fire Dept. will be receiving updated radios at the approximate cost of \$13,000, with STAR to pay an additional \$4000. By ordering without delay, \$5000 was saved. Dan and his wife cut the grass at the Fire Hall and would like to ask that Ben keep it mowed in the future.

Pam handed out a written report and has visited three sites this past month. She is working on a land split with Amy. The master plan has been sent to CUPPAD and no response has been received as of yet.

Ben is to talk with the owners of BP about the grease that is being dumped down the sewer. Benches at the Channing ball park are rotted and the lumber needs to be replaced.

**Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. Roell, to terminate the Enforcement Officer Agreement with Dillon Steinbrecher as he has moved out of the township and is not fulfilling his duties.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by M. Kroll, to appoint Ryan Mulder as Enforcement Officer with the same rate of pay as previously for a six-month period beginning July 11, 2018.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Rita wants a raise for the sewer clerk job. She is putting in 15-20 hours per month and is not being paid accordingly. She would be willing to let the job go to someone else for the \$150/month that it pays. She would like to receive \$300/month. **Moved by T. Roell to increase the Sewer Clerk job to \$250/month.**

**MOTION FAILED**

**Moved by D. Minerick to leave the Sewer Clerk job at the current rate of \$150/month.**

**MOTION FAILED**

**Moved by T. Roell, Supported by J. Roell, to increase the Sewer Clerk job to \$225/month.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by J. Roell, Supported by D. Minerick, to extend the AT&T Metro Act another five years.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

C.J. Kennard: The Channing ballpark restrooms need to have the door knobs changed to handles to accommodate handicap and young children. Ben has been asked to accomplish this task.

J. Miller: The new picnic tables need to be labeled, perhaps burnt in.

**Fire Dept. (cont'd)**

**Zoning Adm./Pam Minerick**

**Maintenance/Ben Weber**

**BUSINESS**

**Enforcement Officer Term**

Steinbrecher terminated,  
Ryan Mulder appointed at same pay rate **Approved**

**Sewer Clerk Position**

Increase from \$150 / month to \$225/month **Approved**

**Metro Act Right-of-Way**

5-year extension **Approved**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments Opened: 7:03 PM

Comments Closed: 7:10 PM

Also a lawn tractor bagger for Newberg Park would be welcomed.  
**Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. Roell, to purchase a bagger for Newberg Park at the cost of \$500.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

No Board Privilege was needed.

**Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by M. Kroll, to adjourn the 7/2/18 Regular Meeting at 7:14 PM.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Minutes Submitted By:**

**Date:**

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Julie Roell, Clerk

**BOARD PRIVILEGE**

**ADJOURNMENT**

7:14 p.m.







