

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Sagola Community Bldg.
March 4, 2019**

MINUTES

Julie Roell, Clerk, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Members Present: Clerk Julie Roell, Treasurer Rita Rotter, Trustees Mike Kroll and Tom Roell

Members Absent: Supervisor Don Minerick

Moved by J. Roell, Supported by M. Kroll, to approve the agenda as written.

MOTION CARRIED

Sean Beckman, GEI: The USDA funding application for sewer repairs is nearly complete. Rita has filed for the SAM account. A letter of support from CUPPAD has been received and is included with the funding application. The preliminary engineering report is 85% completed and will be finalized before the April meeting. There will be a window of 30-45 days to review comments. Sean will coordinate with Rita to obtain some user addresses. Once the application is approved, it will be put out for bids in the winter with the start date of spring 2020.

No public comments were offered at this time.

Moved by M. Kroll, Supported by T. Roell, to approve the 2/7/19 Regular Meeting Minutes as written.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by T. Roell, Supported by M. Kroll, to approve the 2/7/19 Budget Meeting Minutes as written.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to pay special bills: GEI (\$577) USDA application, ND Senior Class All Night Celebration (\$100), VISA (\$92) Clerk printer ink and (\$439) General Fund checks and all regular bills.

MOTION CARRIED

Rita received an email requesting information on recreational marijuana ordinances in our township. We have not yet acted on this topic and similar emails were sent out to other entities.

Mike read that the state is awarding broadband grants for internet service in rural areas.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:02 pm

ROLL CALL

Minerick Absent

APPROVE AGENDA

Agenda **Approved**

Sean Beckman, GEI

Brought the Board up-to-date with USDA application.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments Opened: 6:17 pm

Comments Closed: 6:18 pm

MINUTE APPROVAL

2/7/19 Regular Minutes

2/7/19 Budget Minutes **Approved**

OFFICIALS REPORTS

Clerk/Julie Roell

Special & Regular Bills **Approved**

Treasurer/Rita Rotter

Trustee/Mike Kroll

Tom supplied the board with several options for single pieces of playground equipment. **Moved by T. Roell, Supported by J. Roell, to purchase playground equipment for Newberg Park in an amount not to exceed \$5000.** **MOTION CARRIED**

Julie will go on-line and purchase the equipment with the township credit card.

Amy has set the organizational meeting for Tuesday, March 5th at 9:00 AM. The Board of Review will be meeting on Monday, March 11th from 9-3, and Wednesday, March 13th from 3-9.

Dan reported three page-outs last month. Two page-outs on the 8th with a snowmobile accident on Turner Road, and a medical assist on Newberg Rd. The Sheriff Dept. went to the wrong location for the snowmobile accident. The third page-out was a fire in Ralph. Dan would like a copy of the millage proposal that was recently passed from the county for 911 services. Our Fire Dept. has purchased new radios that need to sync with the county 911 system and the county would like our township to purchase the equipment. Dan will be meeting with Pete Schlitt, Dickinson Co. EMS, and other townships regarding this issue.

Pam was not present, but is still working on the fire numbers.

Ben handed in a written maintenance report which is included in these Minutes. He is recommending that the sewer ordinance be amended to include that all users have a mechanical backflow preventer. A letter recommending that users install their own backflow preventer will be sent out in future billings. Ben was aided by Carl Johnson when he was stuck plowing snow with the maintenance truck. Ben would like to reimburse Carl for his trouble. **Moved by M. Kroll, Supported by T. Roell, to pay \$20 to Carl Johnson for helping Ben get the maintenance truck unstuck.**

MOTION CARRIED

Ben is requesting a 4% (\$48) per month pay raise with two weeks paid vacation. His time of hire is June 20th and he will have two years of service with the township.

Moved by J. Roell, Supported by T. Roell, to amend the budget for the sewer clerk salary (590-527-704) from \$2100 to \$2700, to reflect the raise that was approved.

MOTION CARRIED

Trustee/Tom Roell

Newberg Park playground equip. purchase not to exceed \$5000.

Approved

Assessor/Amy Marinoff

Fire Dept./Dan Simonsen, Chief

Zoning/Pam Minerick, Adm.

Absent

Maintenance/Ben Weber

\$20 for Carl Johnson/Helped Ben

Approved

Ben's request for pay increase/vacation will be placed on the June agenda.

BUSINESS

Amend/Finish Budget

Sewer Clerk Salary Amended

Approved

Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to approve the monthly meeting dates as follows:

4/1/19	7/1/19	10/7/19	1/6/20
5/6/19	8/5/19	11/4/19	2/3/20
6/3/19	9/3/19	12/2/19	3/2/20

MOTION CARRIED

All meetings will begin at 6:00 PM. The public is encouraged to attend.

No Public Comments were offered.

No Board Privilege was needed.

Moved by J. Roell, Supported by M. Kroll, to adjourn the March 4, 2019, Regular Board Meeting at 6:52 PM.

MOTION CARRIED

Minutes Submitted By:

Julie Roell, Clerk

Date

Monthly Meeting Dates

2019-2020

Approved

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments Opened: 6:50 p.m.

Comments Closed: 6:51 p.m.

BOARD PRIVILEGE

ADJOURNMENT

6:52 p.m.








