

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
Sagola Community Bldg.  
May 6, 2019**

**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, Trustee Tom Roell

**Members Absent:** Trustee Mike Kroll

Remove from Business (d) STAR Agreement, Add to Business (d) Budget Amendment, ( e ) Cemetery Ordinance. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to approve the amended agenda.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

G. McCole: Does the township have a Noise Ordinance? There is a lot of ATV's speeding through town especially during the night. Don recommended that Gerry contact the Sheriff Dept. Dan Simonsen believes that the township does have a Noise Ordinance and we will look into it.

Cordell Story: Mr. Story, a resident on VanDusen Rd., would like the road changed to Kastin-Story Lane. Mr. Kastin was also present and agrees with Mr. Story. Their addresses are listed as being on M95 and that is not the case. Dale Johnson, DCRC trustee, was present and he will find out the procedure of changing the name of a road.

Dale Johnson: Dale informed the Board that the DCRC is asking for a listing of the top three roads in our township that we would like to have paved. The top three roads must be submitted by October 1<sup>st</sup>, and there will be a meeting with all township supervisors at that time. DCRC will allocate 25% towards one road per township. Lake Ellen Road is scheduled for maintenance next year. DCRC has contracted with a company to mow the sides of the roads this summer and Dale will welcome any feedback from residents on job performance.

**Moved by T. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to approve the 4/1/19 Regular Meeting Minutes as written.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to pay special bills: BS&A taxing system (\$690), Bear Claw recyclable bags (\$545), and all regular bills.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Ryan Mulder has handed out tickets for non-compliance of our ordinances and residents have 20 days to pay the fines. Rita would like to contact those residents and advise them that if their fines are not paid, it will go on their tax bills. Ryan will be ordering a more detailed ticket with the approximate cost of \$225.

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

**ROLL CALL**

M. Kroll Absent

**APPROVE AGENDA**

**Amended Agenda *Approved***

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments Opened: 6:03 pm

Comments Closed: 6:15 pm

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

**4/1/19 Regular Minutes**

*Approved*

**OFFICIALS REPORTS**

**Clerk/Julie Roell**

Special & Regular Bills *Approved*

**Treasurer/Rita Rotter**

Lorna Carey has informed Rita that four foreclosure properties in our township will be on the tax sale. Two on Newberg Rd., one in Sagola, the former Jim Burns residence and the former Cuculi home in Channing has back taxes of \$3100. Carol Coonrod may be interested in purchasing approximately 25 feet of township land adjacent to Cuculi's Bar.

-Don received a quote from Crane Engineering for a lift station pump for \$5600 and he is waiting for a quote from Champion.

-Don will be arranging with M.J. Electric to move the power from the old hall to the new. The power at the old hall has to be turned back on in order to use the sump pump to drain the basement which is flooded.

Tom obtained prices for six tables at the cost of \$185/table, but that was for a 30" wide table and not 36" width. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by T. Roell, to approve purchase of six 36" x 96" tables for the new hall. MOTION CARRIED**

Amy was present, but had nothing new to report.

Dan reported three page-outs for last month and presented the Board with the officers that were elected at their last meeting with no changes from last year. Chief / Dan Simonsen, Assistant Chief / Rand Hruska / Cory Roell / Secretary-Treasurer, Engineers / Adam Simonsen, Chase Freeman, Andy Fleming. **Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. Roell, to approve the Fire Dept. Election of Officers. MOTION CARRIED**

Dan informed the Board that a fireworks training will take place in Bay City and asked for mileage reimbursement from the General Fund. **Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by R. Rotter, to allow reimbursement for mileage from the General Fund to the training down state at the rate of .45/mile. MOTION CARRIED**

Pam was not present but had prepared a written report on zoning activities.

Ben turned in a written report which is included in these minutes. Picnic tables from Iron Mountain will be placed at the park and benches at the cemetery.

A letter requesting funding for Little League ages 7-8 was received and Julie called the contact number and left a message regarding participation of Sagola Township youth. There hasn't been a response as of yet.

**Treasurer/Rita Rotter (cont'd)**

**Supervisor/Don Minerick**

**Trustee/Tom Roell**  
**Purchase of six table for new hall**  
*Approved*

**Assessor/Amy Marinoff**

**Fire Dept./Dan Simonsen, Chief**  
**Election of Officers** *Approved*

**Mileage for fireworks training**  
*Approved*

**Zoning/Pam Minerick, Adm.**  
Absent

**Maintenance/Ben Weber**

**BUSINESS**  
**Little League Funds**  
No action

Ben requested that Tyler Roell be hired again this summer, as he was an excellent worker last year. **Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by R. Rotter, to hire Tyler Roell as the summer helper at the state minimum wage.** MOTION CARRIED

Fire Dept. Election of Officers was addressed during the Fire Chief’s Report and all officers were approved.

Due to the purchase of playground equipment for Newberg Park, the Recreation Equipment budget must be increased. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by T. Roell, to amend the Rec Fund Equipment (208-691-977) from \$3500 to \$6500.** MOTION CARRIED

Copies of the current Cemetery Ordinance were handed out to the Board for review for next month’s meeting. It is in need of a few changes, one being the removal of flowers by Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. Rita will check into getting signs made about the removal of flowers so that the signage can be placed at the entrances of the cemetery by Memorial Day weekend. Julie was unable to contact the former grave digger and there were four full burials this spring. Tyler Roell and Joe Roell agreed to dig the graves on weeknights after school. A check of local rates for opening and closing of graves was made and Sagola Twp. rates are the lowest. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to increase the cost of full residential burials from \$325 to \$400, non-resident full burials from \$375 to \$500, and \$50 extra holiday and weekend burials.** MOTION CARRIED

D. Simonsen: When will the new township pickup be coming in? Don is checking on it and it will be the new 2019 model.

K. Weber: There is a tire indicator warning light in the maintenance truck. What damages have occurred to the truck for resale value?

C.J. Kennard: A spring clean-up is scheduled for Sat., May 18<sup>th</sup> and would the township help with the cost? **Moved by D. Minerick,**

**Supported by T. Roell, to approve up to \$500 for tipping fees for the annual spring clean-up in Channing.**

MOTION CARRIED

R. Rotter: Nothing has been heard yet on the Newberg Park boat ramp.

D. Minerick: Don has solicited bids on the Channing sidewalks, but none are forthcoming as all masons are so busy. He will ask Shawn Minerick if he could possibly fit it in sometime.

**Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by J. Roell, to adjourn the 5/6/19 Regular Meeting at 7:05 PM.**

**Summer Help**  
Tyler Roell / Hired *Approved*

**Fire Dept. / Election of Officers**  
*Approved*

**Budget Amendment**  
**Rec Fund Equip. Purchased**  
*Approved*

**Cemetery Ordinance/Fees**  
Review of Ordinance for June meeting  
**Increase in full burial rates**  
*Approved*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**  
Comments Opened: 6:54 p.m.  
Comments Closed: 7:03 p.m.  
**\$500 Spring clean-up fee**  
*Approved*

**BOARD PRIVILEGE**

**ADJOURNMENT**  
7:05 p.m.

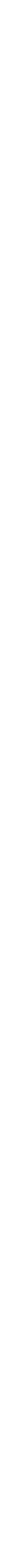
Minutes Submitted By:

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Julie Roell, Clerk

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Date













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