

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Sagola Community Bldg.
August 5, 2019**

MINUTES

Don Minerick, Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. An Election Commission Meeting will be held at the conclusion of the Regular Meeting.

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

Add to Business (f) Planning Commission Term Expirations. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to approve the amended agenda.**
MOTION CARRIED

Y. Schultz: Yvonne would like to use the big field in Channing for a family reunion/baseball game on July 4th next year. She has talked to Dan Simondsen and they will be done well before the fireworks. The board approved her request.

P. Blockland: Paul had a complaint against the owners of Silver Lake Resort regarding a golf course being built on their property adjacent to his property. This is a zoning issue and the Blocklands were invited to stay after this meeting and attend the Planning Comm. meeting.

S. Blockland: What kind of fence can be built on the property to protect against being hit by golf balls? Again, this is a zoning issue that can be addressed later. There are large dogs roaming the streets in Channing. The Sheriff Dept. should be contacted.

There was a complaint of people speeding in the 40-mph zone through Channing. The state police have been called and are patrolling and giving out tickets.

Moved by M. Kroll, Supported by T. Roell, to approve the 7/1/19 Regular Meeting Minutes as written.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by M. Kroll, Supported by D. Minerick, to approved the 7/1/19 Election Commission Meeting Minutes as written.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by M. Kroll, Supported by T. Roell, to approve the 7/10/19 Special Meeting Minutes as written.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to pay special bills: Home Depot (\$162) Newberg Park repairs / Ace Hardware (\$176) maintenance supplies, and all regular bills.

MOTION CARRIED

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL

All Present

APPROVE AGENDA

Amended Agenda *Approved*

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments Opened: 6:03 pm

Comments Closed: 6:10 pm

MINUTE APPROVAL

7/1/19 Regular Minutes

7/1/19 Election Comm. Minutes

7/10/19 Special Meeting Minutes

Approved

OFFICIALS REPORTS

Clerk/Julie Roell

Special & Regular Bills *Approved*

-Non-bagged trash is being dumped at the general drop-off site on Newberg Rd. A resident has been cleaning it up, but it is getting to be a problem. Don B. will go and collect it and perhaps a sign can be posted. Three deposits were not received at the bank, and Rita has asked Nash Funeral Home to re-issue one check. The other two were for zoning permits and she will contact those individuals as well.

-Grant Carlson is working on a condemnation flow chart to address the issue of people living in a camper on M95 in Channing which is not a legal residence. The individuals did not attend the Violation Bureau meeting. Grant will get back to us in a couple of weeks.

-Posts in the parking lot at Newberg Park need replacing and the DCRC has some that should work.

-Sean Beckman, GEI consultant, has moved downstate so will no longer be helping with the USDA grant work. Craig Richardson, Iron River office, will be our new contact person. The Sagola system has approximately 26 users and 4 businesses. Would it be more cost effective to remove Sagola from the sewer hook-ups and replace each user with their own septic system? The state is once again looking into a poverty rate for our systems.

-The Newberg boat landing project funding is available for a three-year period. GEI will do the preliminary engineering to get final estimates. Groundbreaking will not take place until spring 2020.

-Three picnic tables were donated by the Sheriff Dept.

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. Roell, to purchase a leaf vac for Newberg Park with the cost not to exceed \$1500.

MOTION CARRIED

-The Miller's at Newberg Park, are in need of more help prior to the opening and closing of the park. A volunteer, Jeff Adams, volunteered to help.

Tom will be ordering the new tables for the hall.

-Grant Carlson has not yet advised Rita regarding sewer user fees on bankrupt properties.

-The 2008 maintenance truck should go up on bids. A notice in the classified ads will be placed in The Daily News as soon as Don gets the details of the notice to Julie. A plow is needed for the new truck and Don will get quotes from Boss and Snow Dogg. The township logo should be placed on the new truck.

Amy Marinoff had nothing to report.

Dan reported two page-outs. A mutual aid response at Way Dam and a car rollover near the Marquette County line.

Treasurer/Rita Rotter

Supervisor/Don Minerick
Newberg Park Leaf Vac \$1500

Approved

Trustee/Tom Roell

Trustee/Mike Kroll

Assessor/Amy Marinoff

Fire Dept./Dan Simonsen, Chief

Pam handed out a written report with seven site inspections, two new homes, and four land splits. Should a fee be charged for new fire signs?

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. Roell, to charge a \$40 fee for a new fire sign, not for replacements.

MOTION CARRIED

Don B. handed out a three-page maintenance report to the board. The cemetery lawn mower, 2006 Cub Cadet, has mechanical issues and should go out on bids. Once the details are noted, ads will be placed in the post offices of Sagola and Channing.

Don B. agreed to attend a Lagoon Operator’s workshop in Negaunee in October. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by D. Minerick, to pay training fees of \$155 for Don B. to attend the lagoon operator workshop on 10/9/19.**

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by M. Kroll, to expend up to \$2000 for a laptop and assessing software for the assessor.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by J. Roell, to increase the assessor’s annual pay by \$1200.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. Roell, to hire Don Begarowicz as the township maintenance and sewer operator at \$15/hour, with supervisor approval for overtime hours based on 86 hours per month.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. Roell, to hire Robin Begarowicz at the minimum wage of \$9.45 to help part time.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by M. Kroll, to prohibit recreational marihuana establishments within the township: Ordinance #119-2019.

**Roll Call Vote Ayes: Kroll, T. Roell, Minerick, J. Roell
 Nays: Rotter**

RESOLUTION APPROVED

The timber is falling down by the lagoons and needs to be cut. Don was given authorization to seek bids from a forester. Dead trees also need to be removed at the cemetery.

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by J. Roell, to amend the Violations Bureau Ordinance Section 2-C Personnel, to read: “The Bureau shall consist of two members of the public appointed

**Zoning/Pam Minerick, Adm.
\$40 / New Fire Signs**

Approved

**Maintenance/Don Begarowicz
Lagoon Operator Training \$155**

Approved

BUSINESS

Assessor Annual Renewal

Assessor Laptop/Software \$2000

Approved

\$1200/year Assessor Raise

Approved

Hire Maintenance Man/Helper

Don Begarowicz Hired at \$15/hour

Robin Begarowicz Hired at \$9.45/hr

Approved

Marihuana Resolution Ordinance

Prohibit recreational marihuana in

the township Ord #119-2019

Approved

Timber Sale

Quotes to be sought for lagoon land

Approved

Violation Bureau Ord. Revision

Amendment to Ord. #113-2000

Approved

by the Board and an appointed Board member for a three-year term with compensation per diem.”

MOTION CARRIED

**Roll Call Vote Ayes: Kroll, T. Roell, Minerick, J. Roell, Rotter
Nays: None**

RESOLUTION APPROVED

Tim Driscoll and Wally Townsend have been removed from the Planning Comm. as they have not attended a meeting in a number of years. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by D. Minerick, to re-appoint Gerald McCole to the Planning Commission for another three-year term.**

MOTION CARRIED

No comments were offered.

R. Rotter: Contact needs to be established with Craig Richardson, GEI, to find out what forms need to done. Rita will give her sewer backup flash drive to Don B. to install into the township laptop.

D. Minerick: The certified letter from Randy Conroy, DEQ / that denotes the sewer violations is why we are applying for the USDA loan program.

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by J. Roell, to adjourn the 8/5/19 Regular Meeting at 7:22 PM.

Minutes Submitted By:

Julie Roell, Clerk

Date

Planning Comm. Term Appt.
G. McCole reappointed 3-yr term
Approved

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

BOARD PRIVILEGE

ADJOURNMENT

7:22 p.m.









