

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Sagola Community Bldg.
June 1, 2020**

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, Trustee Mike Kroll
Members Absent: None

Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to approve the agenda as written. MOTION CARRIED

No comments were offered.

Moved by M. Kroll, Supported by T. Roell, to approve the 5/4/20 Regular Meeting Minutes as written. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to pay special bills: MTA annual dues (\$986); Hannula annual insurance (\$15,457), and all regular bills. MOTION CARRIED

No report from the Treasurer.

-Bill Pool assessed the Randville Hall for repairing the disability ramp and replacing roof flashing. **Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. Roell, to hire Bill Pool at \$35/hour plus materials and mileage to make the above-mentioned repairs to the Randville Hall. MOTION CARRIED**

-Only 31 out of 88 sewer customers have responded to the income survey. Don suggested going door-to-door and speaking to people about the importance of returning the surveys in order to keep monthly sewer rates from increasing. Don offered to contact Sagola residents and asked for help from the rest of the Board in speaking to Channing residents. He can email a list of customers who haven't responded and all board members were encouraged to talk to residents when they can. Lisa Fought would come to a meeting so residents can ask questions, but in light of past informational meetings, there is typically not much of a turn-out, and now especially with COVID-19 restrictions and fears.
-MJ Electric bid \$3000 to install LED lighting in the EMS Building. G. Brooks was \$3911 and \$1160 to move electric service.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL
All Present

APPROVE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENTS
No Comments

MINUTE APPROVAL
5/4/2020 Regular Minutes
Approved

OFFICIALS REPORTS
Clerk/Julie Roell
Special & Regular Bills *Approved*

Treasurer/Rita Rotter

Supervisor/Don Minerick
Randville Hall Repairs
Approved

Mike mentioned a new road bill regarding township funds could be used for county roads.

Tom spoke to J. Carey regarding the Newberg boat launch. Jim would place concrete pads with cable and rock in between. Roy Dahlgren could donate 1” cable. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter to contract J. Carey Logging to repair/rebuild the Newberg Park boat launch in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.**
MOTION CARRIED

Amy has begun her 20% of property reviews.

Dan was not present but sent a report to Don. Two page-outs were recorded in May: 4-wheeler accident, tree on a powerline in Felch Twp. The Fire Dept. canceled all July 4th activities due to COVID-19 concerns.

Pam presented her written report and has handled 4-5 complaints regarding the “pallet fence” in Channing on M-95. Don B. has talked to the residents and the pallets will be cut up and put away in two weeks, as the husband had knee surgery and couldn’t get rid of the pallets.

Don Begarowicz was present and handed in a written report, which is included in these Minutes. Discussion ensued regarding tearing down the township sign and getting a new sign. It was decided to call Randy Peterson, Crystal Steel House, to get an estimate for a steel sign with the township logo to be installed on the front of the hall. It could be seen better if it was also painted. Pam will send the logo to Randy and request an estimate for a sign approximately 6-8 feet wide.

Pam’s term as Zoning Adm. is up for renewal and she requested a raise from \$300 to \$350/month. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by T. Roell, to increase Pam’s wage by \$50/month for a two-year term.**
MOTION CARRIED
Don Abstaining

Yvonne’s term as Waste Mgmt. Adm. is up for renewal, also. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter to extend Yvonne Schultz’s contract as Waste Mgmt. Adm. for another two-years at \$165/month.**
MOTION CARRIED

Don will speak to Ralph Marinoff regarding his Waste Contract which is up for renewal.

Trustee/M. Kroll

Trustee/T. Roell
Newberg Boat Launch
Repair/Rebuild \$15,000
J. Carey Logging
Approved

Assessor/Amy Marinoff

Fire Dept./Dan Simondsen, Chief

Zoning Adm./Pam Minerick

Maintenance/Don Begarowicz

BUSINESS

Zoning Adm. Term Renewal
Wage Increase @ \$50/month
Approved

Waste Mgmt. Adm.
Yvonne Schultz / Renewal 2 years

Trash & Recyclable Pick Up
Move to July Agenda

Moved by T. Roell, Supported by J. Roell, to open the township halls on June 8th with social distancing and to comply with restrictions as set by Gov. Whitmer.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. Roell, to increase the hourly wage for Robin Begarowicz from minimum wage to \$11/hour.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by M. Kroll, to increase the hourly wage for Don Begarowicz from \$15/hour to \$16/hour as both Don and Robin will have one year of employment with the township in July.

MOTION CARRIED

There weren't any applicants for the Summer Help position, except for a 15-year-old, which under MI Labor Laws cannot operate lawn maintenance equipment.

Shingles have been coming off the cemetery vault roof. Quotes will be obtained from Bill Pool, Bob Edberg and Al Miller. Don will contact Bill and Al, and Mike will call Bob.

Tom will not be running for Township Trustee and the position is open. A candidate will have to file as an Independent in order to have their name on the August Primary ballot. Deadline to apply is July 15th. Applicants should call Julie for a petition and affidavit of identity.

Moved by J. Roell, Supported by T. Roell, to reappoint Don Minerick to another three-year term on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by M. Kroll, Supported by J. Roell, to reappoint Gerald McCole and Don Minerick to another two-year term on the Violations Bureau.

MOTION CARRIED

R. Dahlgren: The field by Newberg Park belongs to the township and should be mowed. There are trees to be removed, also. The restroom roof needs to be replaced. Roy and Kurt Caylor would be willing to handle the labor portion of a metal roof. Don B. was asked to purchase roadway markers to be placed in the fall as guides for the county snow plows, as the sod was torn up badly. Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by R. Rotter, to contract with Kurt Caylor and Roy Dahlgren to install a metal roof on the Newberg Park restroom building.

MOTION CARRIED

Township Hall Use

Open 6/8/2020 w/restrictions

Approved

Robin Begarowicz Wage Increase

Increase wages to \$11/hour

Approved

Don Begarowicz Annual Review

Increase wages to \$16/hour

Approved

Summer Help

No Applicants

Cemetery Vault Roof

Quotes to be Sought

Trustee Position

Seeking Interested Individuals

Zoning Brd of Appeals

D. Minerick Reappointed

Approved

Violations Bureau

Minerick, McCole Reappointed

Approved

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments Opened: 6:53 PM

Comments Closed: 7:01 PM

Install Metal Roof on Newberg Pk

Restroom

Approved

Rita: The board should send a thank you card to Betty & Jim Miller for all the dedicated work that has been done at Newberg Park for years. They have done an incredible job! The board agrees to acknowledge their hard work with a \$100 gift card.

Also, thank you to Roy & Kim Dahlgren and Melody and Kurt Caylor for stepping in as campground hosts on such short notice! We appreciate their willingness to undertake such a big job!

Julie: Sarah Kanitz will be coming to audit the township on Wednesday, June 17th.

Mike: People have been complaining that garbage is not being picked up, cardboard and chairs. Mike should tell them to contact Yvonne Schultz, Waste Adm.

Rita: A community clean up will take place this Saturday, June 6th at the Channing ball park from 8-noon. Only yard refuse should be brought, not household items.

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by J. Roell, to adjourn the June 1, 2020, Regular Meeting at 7:11 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Minutes Submitted By:

Julie Roell, Clerk

Date

BOARD PRIVILEGE

ADJOURNMENT

7:11 PM











