

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Sagola Community Bldg.
August 2, 2021**

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 Terry McDonald, 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 R. Rotter, Supported by M. Kroll, to approve the 7/5/2021 Regular Minutes as written. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to pay special bills: MI Rural Water dues (\$360); The Form House sign at Channing ballpark (\$438); Luft's Ad tax statements (\$825); Speilbauer Fireworks (\$2500); Jacobetti Engineering pavilion (\$473); L&S Electric Sagola lift station repairs (\$486); ERA Chevrolet F.D. '94 Chev brush truck (\$661), and all regular bills. MOTION CARRIED

Jean Whitney no longer takes hair appointments at her Sagola shop and wants to have her sewer bill changed from commercial to residential.

Mike Kroll believes that gravel bills have been passed and Don said that they have not yet been made into law. Mike will look into this subject further.

The sewer grant is awarded at 58% and the township would finance the remaining 42% for the loan at low interest rates. Is the township committed to having GEI do the improvements? Bids will probably have to be sought.

Don Begarowicz was asked to pick up a humidifier for the hall basement. There is some concern with the Legion guns being stored down there.

Don gave out blueprints of the pavilion at the meeting. Pavilion construction needs to be put out on bids. An estimate from MBM Constr. stands at \$150,000. That seems high and doesn't include sidewalk construction from the hall to the pavilion. At least ten dump truck loads of sand and compaction have to be done at the old hall site. There is still disagreement on the pavilion location.

DCRC is spending \$812,000 to bring down their pension liability.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL

All Present

AGENDA

Agenda

Approved

PUBLIC COMMENT

MINUTE APPROVAL

7/5/21 Regular Minutes **Approved**

OFFICIALS REPORTS

Clerk/Julie Roell

Regular/Special Bills

Approved

Treasurer/Rita Rotter

Supervisor/Don Minerick

No report from either Trustee.

Amy was not present, but contacted Julie via email and said that she was fine with her current contract and wage. **Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to contract with Amy Marinoff as assessor for another year at \$1475/month.**

MOTION CARRIED

Dan was not present.

Pam handed in her written report and Dan Nurmi's variance on Sawyer Lake was approved. Pam is working on a land division with Christa Fehrle. There will be a Planning Comm. Meeting in Sept.

Don B. handed in a maintenance report which is included in these Minutes. He's been working on picnic tables and two mowers went in for repairs. He will power wash the Sagola Hall.

Don Minerick has tried to get ahold of Merv Nuens to get a quote to have dead trees removed from the Channing Cemetery. Terry knows the owner of First Down Tree Service and will contact him. Terry and Don will mark the trees that need to be removed. Rita saw signs for another tree service in the area and will put in a call to him.

Discussion of Maintenance Man wages went into Closed Session at 6:25 PM and returned to Open Session at 6:34 PM.

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. McDonald, to increase Don Begarowicz's hourly wage from \$16/hour to \$19/hour.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 1 MOTION CARRIED

Julie would like hours turned in by the 6th and 16th of every month for more efficient payroll reporting.

The DCRC road list is due by October and it was suggested that every board member take a ride on the township roads and compile a list.

Amy Marinoff's contract was renewed during Assessor Report.

A decision was made to hold the October Regular Meeting at the Randville Hall and ask residents what they would like done with the hall. Is it being used? A copy of the deed needs to be looked into to see if it can be sold.

No comments were offered.

Trustees/Mike Kroll & Terry McDonald

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Assessor/Amy Marinoff

Fire Dept./Dan Simonsen, Chief

Zoning Adm./Pam Minerick

Maintenance /Don Begarowicz

BUSINESS

Cemetery Tree Removal

Maintenance Man Wages

Increase from \$16/hr to \$19/hr

2022 DCRC Road List

Assessor Annual Renewal

Randville Hall Future

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rita: The new township sign needs to be put up. It is extremely heavy and should be mounted on posts next to the building in between the office window and the handicap sign. Miss Dig should be called prior to any posthole digging as the wires for the phone/internet could be in that area.

Julie: Yvonne called Petoskey Plastics to order yellow garbage bags and they will have a delay of at least 8 weeks. A blue recycle bag is available but is quite a bit larger than the yellow bag. We really don't want a larger bag as it will be too heavy if full. John Lutz, Mansfield Twp. Clerk, will be contacted to see if they have any spare bags that we could use until our shipment comes in. Pam will get Yvonne his number.

Don: According to Carey Logging contract when they did the cemetery logging six years ago, they were also to remove dead trees.

Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. McDonald, to adjourn the August 2, 2021, Board Meeting at 7:02 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Minutes Prepared By:

Julie Roell, Clerk

Date

BOARD PRIVILEGE

ADJOURNMENT 7:02 PM