

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
Sagola Community Bldg.  
November 1, 2021**

**MINUTES / APPROVED**

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 M. Kroll, to approve the agenda as written. MOTION CARRIED**

**Open Public Forum Regarding Pavilion / 6:03 PM**

Don began the Public Forum with a prepared written statement with timeline beginning of Fall 2016 and ending with October 2021 to give background information regarding the pavilion and personal comments. He explained that each person would have three minutes to talk.

Mike Klein: Building costs would be more if not on a flat base

Chris Kuzak: Member of Grace Presbyterian Church (not a township resident) ADA guidelines must be followed, better if built on flat ground

Karen Edberg: ADA accessible would be better if built from east to west and use of pavilion near the hall would be more convenient

Chris Roell: The engineers at an earlier meeting stated that \$10,000 for ADA accessible would be the same for building close to the hall as well as the location farther away. It was a wash.

Mike Dellies: Site preparation is key. Feature/Function/Benefit would be to have the pavilion close to the hall

Rod Bennetts: Bathrooms could be built at the old hall location and playground equipment installed between the pavilion and hall

Leonard Ivey: Time and materials and need to have a detailed scope of work for bidding

Jayna Blockland: 80 feet away isn't too far from the hall – the church would use the pavilion and needs the space for dinners

Larry Holsworth: Closer to the hall can be done, but safety for kids is a priority to have the playground in between the pavilion and the hall. Church members can volunteer to help the elderly from the hall to the pavilion.

Bob Blockland: ADA accessible can be from the hall to the pavilion through the parking lot

Vance Jones: Metal roofing fades, shingles would be better

Susie Ivey: Project bids need to be tracked

Email from Bob/Krista Cary: Pavilion would be used on a regular basis with outdoor services for Grace Church. Easier for ADA.

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

**ROLL CALL**

All Present

**AGENDA**

Agenda

*Approved*

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**RE: NEW PAVLION**

Comments Opened: 6:03 PM

Comments Closed: 6:38 PM

Favor Pavilion at Old Hall Site: 7

Favor Pavilion Close to Twp. Hall: 3

No Opinion on Site: 3

Signatures on Petition Favoring Close to Twp. Hall: 25

Email from Bonnie Johnson: Pavilion at old hall site because it's flat and will have water and electricity.

**Public Forum Closed / 6:38 PM**

**Moved by R. Rotter, Supported by M. Kroll, to approve the 10/4/2021 Regular Minutes. MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by R. Rotter, Supported by D. Minerick, to approve the 10/11/21 Special Meeting Minutes as written.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by J. Roell, Supported by R. Rotter, to pay special bills: GEI (\$14, 875) final invoice for grant/loan application; State of MI (\$126) Newberg Park application; UP Truck Center (\$810) FD Brush truck repairs; The Form House (\$128) treasurer envelopes; State of MI (\$142) Newberg Park water certification; Mapping Solution (\$165) zoning book maps/licensing (R. Hruska); MI FD Assoc. (\$532) Fire fighter training books and all regular bills. MOTION CARRIED**

Coleman Engineering (sewer project) could not get information off the computer. Mike Gatzow, GEI, was helping with this issue.

Don had no report at this time.

Mike handed out copies of an informational tract from the MTA magazine regarding short term rentals.

Amy was not present.

Dan reported zero page-outs for October – none to Felch. A Fire Fighter I class has begun. The FD is looking for a new/used tanker truck. A brand-new tanker would be on order for 18-24 months. Dan is looking into billing information for fire calls not in our township.

Pam handed in a written report and had two site inspections. The Planning Commission has denied the Fehrle request due to existing easement issues. Updates are continuing within the Planning Commission and maps. Thursday, December 2 will be a meeting to discuss zoning ordinance updates.

Don B. reported no problems at the Sagola lift station. His laptop which is four years old is having issues. He'll try to get it squared away, but we might need to purchase a new one.

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

10/4/21 Regular Minutes *Approved*

10/11/21 Special Minutes *Approved*

**OFFICIALS REPORTS**

**Clerk/Julie Roell**

Regular/Special Bills

**Approved**

**Treasurer/Rita Rotter**

**Supervisor/Don Minerick**

**Trustees/Mike Kroll & Terry McDonald**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Assessor/Amy Marinoff**

**Fire Dept./Dan Simondsen, Chief**

**Zoning Adm./Pam Minerick**

**Maintenance /Don Begarowicz**

**Moved by J. Roell, Supported by T. McDonald, to change the December regular board meeting to Wednesday, December 1, 2021, at 6 PM. MOTION CARRIED**

The timber sale at the lagoon will be put in the paper. Brock VanOss is heading up the bid process.

The pavilion bid specs will be placed on the December 1<sup>st</sup> agenda.

E. Anderson: Concerned about the cemetery vault. The vault roof needs to be replaced and put out on bids in the spring.

R. Hruska: The Sawyer Lake pavilion is a good size and the beams came out of Escanaba. A shingle roof would be best with brick posts to match the hall.

V. Jones: Patching on Old 69 turned out good.

D. Simonsen: Weight limits should be put on roads to stop damage

R. Rotter: The WEP checklist needs to get done before the time limit expires. Who should be doing this? The township lawyer and the sewer project engineer have the most items to finalize. Julie has completed the items that she was able to do. The Board needs to stay informed and make sure that these things get done in order to go ahead with the sewer improvements.

T. McDonald: The citizens should be thankful that we have the money to build a pavilion.

K. Edberg: The pavilion has to be close to the township hall for all residents to use, not just a certain group.

**Addition to Approval of 11/1/21 Minutes, according to 12/1/21 Minutes** D. Minerick: [Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> meeting civil engineers agreed that building was better at the old hall site – elevation would be a problem. Called MTA and was told a majority vote was taken in May and to move forward. Met with Dane Rossato and he suggested to build on the old hall site.]

**Moved by D. Minerick, Supported by T. McDonald, to adjourn the November 1, 2021, Board Meeting at 7:21 p.m. MOTION CARRIED**

Minutes Prepared By:

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Julie Roell, Clerk

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Date

**BUSINESS**  
**December Meeting Date Change**  
*Approved*

**Lagoon Timber Sale Bid**

**Pavilion Specifications**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**  
Comments Opened : 6:58 PM  
Comments Closed : 7:14 PM

**BOARD PRIVILEGE**

**ADJOURNMENT 7:21 PM**

