

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
Sagola Community Bldg.  
September 6, 2022**

**MINUTES [DRAFT]**

Don Minerick, Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Supervisor Don Minerick, Clerk Julie Roell, Treasurer Robin Begarowicz, Trustees Mike Kroll, Terry McDonald.

Elise from Circle Power to be added after Official's Reports. **Moved by Roell, supported by McDonald, to approve the amended agenda.** *MOTION CARRIED*

The dumpster in Sagola was removed, but not the old playground equipment.

Julie contacted Mark Hannula and the pavilion is insured. **Moved by Begarowicz, supported by Kroll, to approve the 8/1/22 Regular Meeting Minutes as written.** *MOTION CARRIED*

**Moved by Roell, supported by Minerick, to pay special bills: Teck Solutions (\$350) election laptop repair; Daily News (\$142) zoning ad app; Pat Charlier (\$102) Newberg Pk mowing; BS&A (\$769) annual assessing support; Election Source (\$400) election programming; Home Depot (\$428) picnic table stain; Oshkosh Fire (\$4504) foam, turn-out gear, pump certification; Roy Ness Construction (\$30,555) Roy Ness second pavilion payment, and all regular bills.** *MOTION CARRIED*

An MTA seminar will be held in Marquette on Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. Topics to include: OMA, FOIA, using ARPA funds, election ballot proposals, grant applications, zoning ordinances and other ordinances, broadband projects. Cost is \$130/person as MTA members. **Moved by Minerick, supported by McDonald, to allow the treasurer, zoning admin, clerk and deputy clerk to attend with mileage reimbursement.** *MOTION CARRIED*

Don contacted UP Propane and was able to get a .20 reduction per gallon of fuel. He fixed the little Ford tractor and mowed the Cuculi lawn. Should that lot be sold? DCRC split for roads is 7 25% county and 75% township. A road list for 2023 engineering bids has to be in by Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> to DCRC. **Moved by Minerick, supported by McDonald, to submit the roads in the town of Sagola for the 2023 bidding project.** *MOTION FAILED*

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

**ROLL CALL**

All Present

**AGENDA**

Amended Agenda *Approved*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments Opened: 6:02 pm

Comments Closed: 6:03 pm

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

8/1/22 Regular Minutes *Approved*

**OFFICIALS REPORTS**

Clerk/Julie Roell

Special & Regular Bills *Approved*

**Treasurer/Robin Begarowicz**

MTA Seminar in Marquette

\$130/person *Approved*

**Supervisor/Don Minerick**

Pave Sagola Rds. *Failed*

**Special Meeting 9/21 @ 5:30 pm**

Other road projects mentioned: last ¾ mile of Kramer Road, Newberg Park roads, Turner Road. \$256,933 in the Road Fund as of this date. *A Special Meeting will be held on Wed., Sept. 21, at 5:30 pm to vote on the next road project.*

The evergreen tree east of the pavilion must be removed. **Moved by Minerick, supported by Kroll, to ask First Down Tree Service to remove the balsam tree.** *MOTION CARRIED*

Let it be noted that the cemetery was not cleaned up as promised after trees were removed by First Down, but they did a good job in Sagola. **Moved by Minerick, supported by Kroll, to order a Z-48 Gravelly from Village Tractor at the cost of \$7124.** *MOTION CARRIED*

The old Gravelly will go to Newberg Park.

The Herzog Road was not as wet and a pothole on 10<sup>th</sup> Street was repaired. **Moved by Minerick, supported by Roell, to accept Halty’s Plumbing quote of \$2140 for fixing the plumbing at Newberg Park restrooms.** *MOTION CARRIED*

No report from either Trustee.

Elise, Circle Power, was present to discuss and hand out flyers and information regarding the Groveland Mine Solar Project. Residents who want more information can go online to: [www.GrovelandMineSolar.com](http://www.GrovelandMineSolar.com) The 30-year total for Sagola Twp. would be \$673,153 with half of those monies guaranteed in the first five years.

Amy has been conducting site inspections and has the 2023 Tax Rate Request available for signing. **Moved by Roell, supported by Minerick, to accept the 2022-2023 Tax Rate Request.** *MOTION CARRIED*

Dan reported three page-outs from July-August. A new cadet, Nicholas Roell has applied to the Fire Dept. **Moved by Roell, supported by Minerick, to accept the cadet application of Nicholas Roell to the Fire Dept.** *MOTION CARRIED*

Pam reported three site inspections this past month. A variance was approved for Melody Wolf, Bush Lake. Dates for the new year are posted.

Don was unable to get his monthly report printed, but has been prepping the lagoons for discharge, testing the wells, and checking on the Channing and Sagola lift stations. **Moved by Minerick, supported by Kroll, to pay for topsoil at the cemetery at the cost of \$300.** *MOTION CARRIED*

**Supervisor/Minerick (Cont’d.)**

First Down Tree Removal *Approved*

Gravelly Purchase \$7124 *Approved*

Halty’s Plumbing Quote \$2140  
Newberg Pk *Approved*

**M. Kroll/Trustee  
T. McDonald/Trustee**

**Circle Power, Elise  
Groveland Mine Solar Project**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Assessor/Amy Bucek**  
2022 Tax Rate Request *Approved*

**Fire Dept./Dan Simonsen, Chief**  
Nicholas Roell, Cadet Application *Approved*

**Zoning Adm./Pam Minerick**

**Maintenance /Don Begarowicz**  
Cemetery Topsoil \$300 *Approved*

Nancy reported that Paul Feak cut the grass on the Donaldson property on the south side of Channing. She has been trying to get in contact with the Piasini family to inquire into several of their properties. A property in Sagola, the old community center, has a garage that collapsed in the back yard and other debris is in the driveway. Robin will check if property taxes are up-to-date. Could the property be placed in the county land bank?

**Moved by Roell, supported by McDonald, to appoint Luke Fleming to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three-year term.**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by McDonald, supported by Minerick, to accept the \$4000 bid by Randy Gerstner, Option #2, with metal roofing for the Channing Cemetery vault.** **MOTION CARRIED**  
If there is additional cost involved because of rotted wood underneath the shingles, Randy will ask for board approval. Terry will be the contact on this project. Don Begarowicz recommends that 5-6 additional trees be removed from the cemetery. He will mark the trees and contact First Down for bids, and Julie, cemetery sexton, once they are marked.

Several residents have expressed an interest in being on a Recreation Committee: Melody Wolf, Nancy Reese, and possibly Patti Miller. Notices can be put up in the post offices and we should ask around for more interested people, preferably some with young children.

J. Dellies: Requested a copy of the density tests performed at the pavilion site. Don Minerick will get her a copy.

R. Begarowicz: A dedication ceremony should be held for the pavilion completion.

**Moved by Minerick, supported by Roell, to adjourn the 9/6/22 Regular Meeting at 7:27 PM.**

**Minutes Submitted By:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Enforcement Officer/N. Reese**

**BUSINESS**  
**Zoning Board of Appeals**  
Luke Fleming Appt'd *Approved*

**Cemetery Vault Roof Repair**  
R. Gerstner \$4000 *Approved*

**Recreation Committee**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**  
Comments Opened: 7:23 PM  
Comments Closed: 7:25 PM

**BOARD PRIVILEGE**

**ADJOURNMENT**  
7:27 p.m.







