

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Sagola Community Bldg.
October 3, 2022**

MINUTES [APPROVED]

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.

Add to Business: (c) Timber Sale. **Moved by Roell, supported by McDonald, to approve the amended agenda.**

MOTION CARRIED

An Election Commission Meeting will be held at the conclusion of tonight's Regular Meeting.

Elise, Circle Power, was on hand to answer questions from residents regarding the Groveland Mine Solar Project. Pam gave an update on zoning procedures. Norway Twp. is interested in hosting a tri-township meeting for all residents within Felch, Norway, and Sagola townships, but is seeking a larger venue. Felch Twp. and Sagola Twp. do have the space to accommodate larger gatherings. A date should be set later this month.

Amend Special Minutes 9/21/22[Draft] to remove phrase in Public Comments "Legally they can offer up to \$100,000 and no more." Moved by Minerick, supported by Kroll, to approve the 9/6/22 Regular Meeting Minutes as written, and the amended 9/21/22 Special Meeting Minutes.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved Roell, supported by Minerick, to add to the Agenda under Business (d) FOIA

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Roell, supported by Begarowicz, to pay special bills: El-Com F.D. Radios (\$4225); Teck Election Laptops (\$254); Roy Ness Pavilion (\$47,923); Dahlgren Newberg Park Maint. (\$312); Oshkosh F.D. (\$161), and all regular bills.

MOTION CARRIED

4th quarter sewer bills have been sent out.

Moved by McDonald, supported by Kroll, to approve \$2600 payment to Morin to take out sidewalks and flagpole east of pavilion. Ayes: 4 Nays: 1

MOTION CARRIED

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL

All Present

AGENDA

Amended Agenda ***Approved***

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments Opened: 6:02 pm

Comments Closed: 6:12 pm

MINUTE APPROVAL

9/6/22 Regular Minutes ***Approved***

9/21/22 Special Minutes ***Approved***

Addition to Agenda:

Business (d) FOIA *Approved*

OFFICIALS REPORTS

Clerk/Julie Roell

Special & Regular Bills ***Approved***

Treasurer/Robin Begarowicz

Supervisor/Don Minerick

Morin \$2500 Removal of
sidewalks/flagpole ***Approved***

McDonald: Cemetery tree removal and clean-up was performed.

Amy was not present.

Dan reported no page-outs. Electric for pavilion and fire garage on the same meter, how will that be accounted for? Dan is looking into a furnace for the fire garage and will seek quotes from vendors.

Pam handed in a written report and inspected three sites. There will not be a Planning Commission meeting until next year.

No report from Don Begarowicz.

Nancy Reese has been in contact with several individuals (K. Piasini, B. Martin) and is making progress. Garbage is being hauled away from the W. Thoune property in Sagola. He does not have the money to pay for a demo of the house. Are the property taxes in default? Can the house be put into the county land bank?

Moved by Roell, supported by Minerick, to appoint Melody Wolf to the Recreation Committee. MOTION CARRIED
More members are being sought.

Jim Harris was present and fielded questions regarding road projects. He explained that the Sagola streets will need repairs within 2-4 years. The township can potentially save up to \$20,000 in mobilization fees as M-69 is slated for work in 2023. **Moved by Minerick, supported by McDonald, to place Sagola streets, Byers Road (partial), and Smith Lane on the 2023 Road List. MOTION CARRIED**

Moved by Minerick, supported by McDonald, to contract Brock VanOss to set up a timber sale from 6th Street south to Turner Road west of the EMS Building through the abandoned alleyway. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Minerick, supported by Kroll, to accept Grant Carlson’s recommendation to amend the FOIA policy: 1) Name a coordinator engaged in day-to-day operations of the Twp; Any disputes or questions regarding FOIA denials or releases of information to Grant. 2) Amend the policy to direct any request for fee waiver/costs be presented to the Board for consideration. The default is that fees and costs are not waived. If an applicant would like consideration to waive those fees and costs, present the request to the public body for consideration.
Ayes: 4 Nays: 1 **MOTION CARRIED**

**T. McDonald/Trustee
COMMITTEE REPORTS
Assessor/Amy Bucek**

Fire Dept./Dan Simonsen, Chief

Zoning Adm./Pam Minerick

Maintenance /Don Begarowicz

Enforcement Officer/N. Reese

BUSINESS

Rec Committee Appointments
Melody Wolf *Approved*

Sagola Twp 2023 Road List
Sagola Sts., Byers Rd., Smith Lane
Approved

Timber Sale
6th St. to Turner Rd.
Approved

FOIA Policy
Amendments *Approved*

Moved by Roell, supported by Minerick, to appoint J. Roell as FOIA Coordinator as a separate reimbursable position.

MOTION CARRIED

Jim Harris and Mike Dellies have completed draft letters that can be sent to our legislative representatives regarding funding to pave Turner Road from the EMS Building to Chelhar Lane. Those who were in attendance at the Special Meeting in September will be given copies of the letters to use if they wish to do so.

Moved by Roell, supported by Minerick, to allow purchase of Microsoft Office up to \$140 for one of the new election laptops and for Ordinance Enforcement use. ***MOTION CARRIED***

Moved by Minerick, supported by Roell, to adjourn the October 3, 2022, regular meeting at 7:09 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Minutes Submitted By:

Date:

FOIA Coordinator

Roell

Approved

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments Opened: 7:05 PM

Comments Closed: 7:08 PM

BOARD PRIVILEGE

Microsoft Office Purchase

Approved

ADJOURNMENT

7:09 p.m.