

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
Sagola Community Bldg.  
February 6, 2023**

**MINUTES [Approved]**

Mike Cline, Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Supervisor Mike Cline, Clerk Julie Roell, Treasurer Robin Begarowicz, Trustee Mike Kroll

Change Business (c.) Jennie Hruska Wage Increase. Add to Business: (i.) MI Class **Moved by Roell, supported by Kroll, to approve the amended agenda.**  
*MOTION CARRIED*

Elsie, Circle Power, the Groveland Mine Solar Project public hearing will be scheduled in the spring.

**Moved by Cline, supported by Kroll, to approve the 1/3/23 Regular Meeting Minutes and Special Minutes of 1/19/23 as written.**  
*MOTION CARRIED*

**Moved by Roell, supported by Kroll, to approve the purchase of a reconditioned HP EliteDesk 800 G1 SFF High Performance Desktop Computer at \$260 and, additional set up and network service at \$145/hour through OPG, for the township office.**  
*MOTION CARRIED*

**Moved by Cline, supported by Roell, to pay special bills: UP Truck Center (\$391) F.D. DOT inspection; BS&A (\$974) assessor annual support; VISA (\$842) Norton anti-virus, Quick Books payroll; OPG (\$183) copier toner; Election Source (\$1149) election equip. maint; CUPPAD (\$213) annual dues and all regular bills.**  
*MOTION CARRIED*

Robin has collected \$100,000 in tax payments and disbursed \$90,000, and has been handling lots of phone calls.

Mike does not have a report at this time.

Mike Kroll does not have a report.

Amy was not present, but sent an email report: She is finishing up the assessment roll and will send the change notices to Luft Advertisers. The State has changed the notices to be two-sided and Amy expects the cost for printing to increase. The March Board of Review will be as follows: 3/7 at 10 a.m. for the organizational meeting; 3/13: 9 am to 3 pm; 3/14: 3 pm to 9 pm. Dave Mindok was the only BOR member to attend the training in Breitung Twp.

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

**ROLL CALL**

**AGENDA**

Amended Agenda *Approved*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Circle Power Public Hearing in the Spring

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

1/3/23 Regular Minutes *Approved*

1/19/23 Special Minutes *Approved*

**OFFICIALS REPORTS**

**Clerk/Julie Roell**

HP Desktop Computer *Approved*  
From OPG @ \$260

Special & Regular Bills *Approved*

**Treasurer/Robin Begarowicz**

**Supervisor/Mike Cline**

**Trustee/ Mike Kroll**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Assessor/Amy Bucek**

Dan reported five calls in January, three calls for the same residential structure in Channing. Diesel fuel was needed for the fire trucks and the BP was closed. Gene Brzoznowski donated all the diesel. Julie will send a letter of appreciation to Gene for his generous contribution.

Pam sent an email to the Board and it is a part of these Minutes.

Don submitted a maintenance report. He requested bids for LED lights at Newberg Park and for the deck and ramp at Randville, also for siding for the O&M Building. He was not able to procure any bids. There were two more interruptions at the Sagola lift station.

Nancy reported that fines need to be assessed for people who are not trying to clean up their properties. Our Violations Bureau membership has completely dissolved with all three members no longer on the Bureau. **Moved by Roell, supported by Kroll, to appoint Supervisor Mike Cline to the Violations Bureau.**

*Approved*

Advertising for two more members will begin. Dumpsters in Channing/40 yd, Sagola/40 yd, and Randville/20 yd, should be put out for the public in the spring and fall. Robin will contact GFL for pricing.

There were two residents that applied for the vacant Trustee position: Christine Conery and Lucas Fleming. **Moved by Roell, supported by Begarowicz, to appoint Lucas Fleming to finish out Trustee Terry McDonald's term until November 2024, and to appoint Fleming as the ex-officio on the Planning Comm. Mike Kroll resigned from the Planning Comm.**

*Approved*

There were two residents that applied for the vacant Planning Commission position. **Moved by Kroll, supported by Begarowicz, to appoint John Dubois to the Planning Commission for a three-year term.**

*Approved*

Jennie Hruska, housekeeper, sent a letter requesting an increase in her monthly salary from \$200 to \$300/month. **Moved by Cline, supported by Roell, to increase Hruska's monthly salary to \$300/month.**

*Approved*

Violation Bureau appointments will be advertised.

**Moved by Roell, supported by Cline, to set the Annual Meeting for Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.**

**Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Resolution Approved**

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

**Zoning Adm./Pam Minerick**

**Maintenance /Don Begarowicz**

**Enforcement Officer/Nancy Reese**  
Cline Appt'd to the Violations Bureau *Approved*

GFL Dumpster Pricing

**BUSINESS**

**Trustee Appointment**  
L. Fleming Appt'd *Approved*  
Kroll Resigned from Planning Comm

**Planning Comm Appointment**  
John Dubois Appt'd *Approved*

**Housekeeper Salary Increase**  
Hruska \$300/mo *Approved*

**Violation Bureau Appointments**  
To be Advertised

**Annual Meeting Resolution**  
3/27/23 @ 6 pm *Approved*

Moved by Roell, supported by Cline, to leave the Supervisor's annual salary at \$7200.

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Resolution Approved

Moved by Begarowicz, supported by Cline, to leave the Treasurer's annual salary at \$11,400.

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Resolution Approved

Moved by Roell, supported by Kroll, to set the Clerk's annual salary at \$15,000.

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Resolution Approved

Moved by Kroll, supported by Roell, to leave the Trustee's monthly per diem at \$75/meeting, \$40/special meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Resolution Approved

Moved by Begarowicz, supported by Kroll, to raise the Sagola Hall rental fees as follows:

One day rental w/pavilion: Rent \$50 / Security deposit \$100  
Larger events: Rent \$100 / Security deposit \$150  
Wedding Receptions: Rent \$300 / Security deposit \$350  
Approved

The Board will address the remainder of the hall rental fees at a later date.

Yvonne submitted a letter regarding the possibility of switching to a Bag & Tag garbage pick-up system. Problems are foreseen with residents purchasing lighter weight bags which would lead to the bags ripping and leaving a mess. People would still purchase the tags at \$2/piece, but then would be paying for their bags, also. The Board decided to leave the garbage pick-up as is, with purchasing bags from our current supplier.

Robin has looked into MI Class, a cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System government investment pool. There is no cost to join and no minimum balance. Northern Interstate Bank insurance covers up to \$250,000. Robin will check with the MTA regarding this issue.

No public comments were offered.

Kroll: 2023 BOLT Test for raising sewer rates. Info in the Feb. MTA magazine.

Roell: Larry Walker has volunteered to conduct ballroom dance lessons at the Sagola Hall for any residents who are interested at no charge. Moved by Roell, supported Begarowicz, to allow Larry

**Official Salary Resolutions**

Supervisor \$7200/yr *Approved*

Treasurer \$11,400/yr *Approved*

Clerk \$15,000/yr *Approved*

Trustees \$75/diem *Approved*  
Special Mtg \$40

**Hall & Pavilion Rental Fees**

*Approved*

**Garbage Update**

**MI Class**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Comments

**BOARD PRIVILEGE**

Dance Instruction @ Hall  
No rental fee *Approved*

**Walker to conduct dance lessons at the Sagola Hall for no hall rental fee.**

*Approved*

**Moved by Cline, supported by Roell, to adjourn the February 6, 2023 meeting, at 7:41 p.m.**

*Approved*

**ADJOURNMENT**

7:41 PM

**Minutes Submitted By:**

**Date:**

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Julie Roell, Clerk