

SUMPTER TOWNSHIP
23480 SUMPTER ROAD, BELLEVILLE, MI 48111
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 22, 2025
6:00 P.M.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call: Bowman, LaPorte Fraizer, Honey, Rush, Patterson, Oddy.

3. Agenda: Motion by Rush supported by Oddy to approve the agenda. Yes: All in favor.
Nay: None.

4. Presentation:

- The MACP awarded Chief Luke and the Sumpter Township Police Department a Certificate of Accreditation.

5. Discussion – Willow Water Main Project Consideration (Hennessy Engineers)

A. Motion by Oddy supported by Rush to approve the authorization of Hennessey Engineering to proceed with the engineering bid preparation and survey for 7300 linear feet of 12-inch watermain.

Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

6. Public Comment: None.

7. Minutes:

A. Motion by Rush supported by Frazier to approve the regular minutes from April 8, 2025 and the closed session minutes from April 8, 2025.

Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

8. Warrants: Motion by Bowman supported by Rush to approve warrants in the amount of \$209,890.60

Roll Call Vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

9. Motion by Rush supported by Patterson to accept the Township Manager's Report as read by Burdick. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

10. Motion by Oddy supported by Patterson to receive the Water and Sewer report.

Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

11. Motion by Oddy supported by Patterson to receive the Treasurer's report.

Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

12. Board Response:

- Trustee Rush advised the board that the Parks and Recreation Easter Celebration was a success and would like to personally thank the board members who attended as well as the Police Department and Fire Department. Rush requested a big hand of applause to the new Parks and Recreation volunteers.
- Trustee Honey discussed work being completed (Phase II) at the park by Hotshots are doing a fantastic job with the park. Encourages the board to stop by the park to see the fantastic job that is being done.
- Trustee Oddy discussed meeting with EGLE regarding the wetland project on Judd Road and is still gathering information. Oddy recommended that the board consider a 12-month moratorium on any proposed wetland banks, or any existing or changes to the wetland banks. Oddy requested a motion by the board.

13. New Business:

- A. Motion by Bowman supported by Rush to approve the temporary part-time status of the Clerk Assistant, Gabriella Massel; 60 days from May 23, 2025
Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Bowman supported by LaPorte to approve the purchase of (1) Ford Interceptor w/extended warranty for the Police Department under FY 2025-26 budget at a total cost of \$50,360.00
Roll Call Vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
- C. **ADDED** Motion by Bowman supported by Patterson to approve the appointment of Nicole Van Assche to the Planning Commission with her term to expire 11/14/2027.
Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
- D. **ADDED** Motion by Oddy supported by Rush to approve a 12-month moratorium on any proposed wetland banks, or any existing or changes to the wetland banks. Direct Township Attorney Young to research wetland ordinances and create a draft ordinance for the Township Board, so that the board can address the issue on the Judd Road wetland project.
Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

14. Announcements:

- LaPorte made an announcement: There will be a clean-up day at Banotai Park on April 26, 2025 from 10:00am-2:00pm.
- Oddy made an announcement: Butterfly Park looks good after clearing of the brush.
- Patterson made an announcement: Would like to consider a phase III for areas that missed by previous tree contractors for removing of tree stumps in the parks.

15. Adjournment: Motion by Bowman, supported by Rush to adjourn at 7:02pm.
All in favor. Nay: none. Motion Carried.

Donald LaPorte, Clerk

Minutes prepared by:
Debbie Nogle
Sumpter Township

Donald La Porte, Clerk Date

Date

Timothy Bowman, Supervisor

Date