

Sumpter Township  
Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, November 12, 2024, 6:00 p.m.  
23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111  
Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Clerk Hurst at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: Oddy, Morgan, Rush, and LaPorte. Supervisor Bowman excused. Also showing present: Township Manager Burdick, Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, and 18 attendees.

Motion by Oddy, supported by Morgan, for Clerk Hurst to chair the board meeting. Motion carried.

3. Agenda: Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush, to approve the agenda with removal of items D & K, and tabling Item A. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment/Open Floor: Two (2) attendees spoke.

5. Minutes:

A. Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy, to approve the regular board meeting minutes of October 22, 2024, and special board meeting minutes of October 31, 2024. Motion carried.

6. Warrants: Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson, to approve warrants totaling \$343,727.60. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. Clerks report. Clerk Hurst reported on the election activities from the November 5, 2024 election. Clerk Hurst also thanked everyone for all her years of service to the residents, staff, and board members. Motion by Rush, supported by Morgan to accept the Clerk's report.

8. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte, to receive and file the supervisor's report. Motion carried.

9. Township Manager's Report read by Burdick. Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush, to accept the manager's report as read. Motion carried.

10. Attorney's report by Young. Attorney Young thanked Clerk Hurst, Trustee Morgan, and Deputy Clerk Armatis for all their years of service. Motion by Patterson, supported by Oddy, to accept the report. Motion carried. Trustee Rush thanked them also. Trustee

Morgan thanked the residents and all past and present board members for her years of service.

11. Police Report by Chief Luke: Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte, to approve the police report as read by Chief Luke. Chief Luke also added his thanks to Clerk Hurst, Trustee Morgan and Deputy Clerk Armatis. Motion carried.

12. Building Report by Bowman. Motion by Oddy, to receive and file the building report. Motion died for lack of support. Report read by Rush. Motion by Patterson, supported by Oddy to accept the report. Motion carried.

13. Fire Report by Chief Brown. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Patterson, to accept the fire report as read. Motion carried.

14. Board Response: Patterson stated the election team worked great. He stayed and watched the process until 11:30 pm. He also spent 5 hours looking at Item K, he would like to see it back in the future and stated it is needed. Oddy thanked the election workers, stating that a 64% turnout had not been seen before. Rush thanked the Clerk's office for their outstanding job. Laporte thanked the Clerk's office, stating everything was on the up and up. He also thanked Clerk Hurst, Trustee Morgan, and Deputy Clerk Armatis for their service.

15. New Business:

A. **TABLED.** Consider approval of the updated planning and zoning fee schedule.

B. Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy, to accept the resignation of Firefighter Jamie Krushlin, with regrets, effective October 29, 2024. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush, to approve hosting the Conference of Western Wayne on June 13, 2025. Motion carried.

D. **REMOVED.** Consider approving the proposed 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter budget amendments.

E. Motion by Patterson, supported by LaPorte, to approve the purchase of a 3-well stainless-steel sink for the community center gym kitchen at a total cost of \$619.00 utilizing ARPA funds. Motion carried.

F. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte, to approve the holiday closure of Sumpter Township offices from December 23, 2024, through January 1, 2025, with employees using four benefit bank days. Motion carried.

- G. Motion by Morgan, supported by LaPorte to post and interview for a seasonal part-time DPW position for 29 weekly hours or less at the AFSCME hourly rate of \$23.33. Motion carried.
- H. Motion by Patterson, supported by Oddy, to accept the bid from Regal Construction Inc. at a total cost of \$25,250.00, for the police department windows, paid with ARPA funds or other available funds, if required. Motion carried.
- I. Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson, to accept the bid from TNT Tree Service in the amount of \$5,500.00 for Banotai Park, paid with ARPA or other available funds, if required. Motion carried.
- J. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte, to approve extending the temporary part-time clerk's office position until January 28, 2025, in order to keep the staffing at three people. Motion carried.
- K. **REMOVED.** Consider approval to accept the bid received from Vigilante Security for the replacement and monthly monitoring of the township facilities' security and fire alarm systems at an installation cost of \$87,592.50 and monthly monitoring at \$971.10.

16. Announcements: None.

S. Nasser had questions regarding his business license, he was directed to the township manager.

17. Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson, to adjourn at 6:49 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by:  
Deputy Clerk K. Armatis  
Sumpter Township

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Esther Hurst, Clerk

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Date

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Timothy Bowman, Supervisor

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