

**Sumpter Township  
Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, November 10, 2020, 6:30 p.m.  
23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI 48111  
Minutes**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Morgan at 6:56 pm. Roll call: Supervisor J. Morgan, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer K. Bednark and Trustees: LaPorte, Oddy and Rush. Swinson excused. Also showing present: Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Burdick, Fire Chief Januszyk, Public Safety Director/Chief of Police Luke, and approximately 42 Attendees.

**3. Agenda:** Motion by Hurst supported by Oddy to approve the agenda, as amended.

Remove: New Business, Item(s) # F & G from the agenda.

Motion carried.

**4. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only:** No comments were received.

**5. Minutes:** Motion by Rush supported by Oddy to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2020. Motion carried.

**6. Warrants:** Motion by Oddy supported by Rush to approve the warrants totaling \$190,674.07 Roll call vote: Yes: Rush, LaPorte, Oddy, Treasurer Bednark, Clerk Hurst and Supervisor Morgan. Swinson excused. Nay: None. Motion carried.

**7. Supervisor's Report - J. Morgan:** No Report filed.

- Supervisor Morgan stated he did not have a report, but thanked the people of Sumpter Township and the Board for allowing him to be of service for 42 years. Over those years, he stated that he'd met and worked with a lot of people whose friendship and mutual love and respect he will always cherish. Many good memories!
- Trustee(s) Oddy, Treasurer Bednark expressed their pleasure in servicing the community with Supervisor Morgan.
- Deputy Supervisor Armatis talked about Supervisor Morgan's unprecedented service of 42 years to the Sumpter community and township employees. No other official in Sumpter has accomplished this. DS Armatis talked about his honest service with integrity, history and accomplishments within the community and Township government. Sumpter Township is better for having his service and he will be deeply missed.

**8. Attorney Report-Young**

Twp Lawsuits & Adversarial Proceeding 9%, Insurance matters 2%, Township Board meetings 8%, Meeting with Twp Officials 7%, Water & Sewer 5%, Police, Fire & Prosecutions 34%, Ordinance & Blight 3%, Labor Contract/LOU 5%, Employee Contract Issues 2%, Republic 2%, Planning 5%, Library 1%, Parks & Recreation 2%, Storm Water Management & MDEQ 2%, Board Direction 8%, Audit 2% and Misc. 2%.

• Attorney Young discussed the presented current MERS Contracts to be approved by the Board of Trustees. Motion of acceptance for the Attorney's Report by the Board will approve these items.

- Attorney Young spoke of the history of Supervisor Morgan and thanked him for his support, efforts and integrity.
- Trustee Rush inquired on recent open investigation status and Attorney Young advised that the process is currently ongoing.
- Trustee Oddy asked the Attorney to provide guidance to the Board on the different levels of Township Deputy duties and responsibilities.

**9. Receive and File Reports:**

Motion by Rush, supported by Hurst to approve, receive and file the following reports. Motion carried.

- Attorney's Report
- Police Report
- Building/Ordinance Report
- Fire Report
- Treasurer's Report

**10. Board Response:**

- Treasurer Bednark recognized and thanked Deputy Treasurer Snook and Treasurer's Clerk for their performance, contributions and support of the Treasurer's Office and the community.

**11. New Business:**

- A. Motion by Hurst, supported by Oddy to approve the Township to be closed December 24, 2020 through January 3, 2021. Vacation or personal days will be used. December 30, 2020 will be used as the floating holiday. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Bednark, supported by Oddy to approve of a FLYGT pump from Kennedy Industries at a cost of \$20,479.00. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Rush, supported by Hurst to approve of Resolution No. 2020-14; Adoption of the Wayne County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Bednark, supported by Hurst to approve of appointing John Honey to the Planning Commission with the term to expire 11/09/2023. Motion carried.
- E. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to approve of Daniel Frost's return from personal leave onto the fire department effective immediately. Motion carried.

**12. Announcements:**

- A. Trustee Rush recognized Trustee Swinson on his efforts with the Parks & Recreation Commission, his years of service to the Board of Trustees and the Sumpter community. Trustee Oddy concurred.
- B. Treasurer Bednark recognized Trustee Swinson and well wishes for the future.
- C. Clerk Hurst addressed comments on Oath of Office activities and plans.

**13. Open Floor:** Seven (7) people spoke.

**14. Adjournment:** Motion by Rush supported by Oddy to adjourn at 7:51 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by,  
Anthony Burdick, Deputy Clerk  
Sumpter Township

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Esther Hurst, Clerk

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Date

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John Morgan, Supervisor

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