

**Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 8, 2021, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes**

NOTICE:

To mitigate the spread of COVID-19, protect the public health, and provide essential protections to Sumpter Township residents; this Board of Trustees' meeting was conducted virtually in compliance with State of Michigan Governor's Executive Order(s) and MDHHS directive(s) regarding remote public meetings.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor T. Bowman at 6:09 pm. Roll call: Supervisor T. Bowman (Wayne Cty, Sumpter Twp, MI), Trustees: Oddy (Wayne Cty, Sumpter Twp, MI), Rush (Wayne Cty, Sumpter Twp, MI), LaPorte (Wayne Cty, Sumpter Twp, MI) and Morgan (Wayne Cty, Sumpter Twp, MI). Clerk E. Hurst excused, with full respect and deepest condolences, Treasurer vacant. Also showing present: Deputy Clerk Burdick, Deputy Supervisor O'Connell, Deputy Treasurer Clark, Safety Director/ Chief of Police Luke and 7 attendees.

***Supervisor Bowman called for a moment of silence with respect, prayers and condolences to his family, due for the passing of our Sumpter Township Treasurer, Mr. James C. Clark.

3. Agenda: Motion by Morgan, supported by Oddy to approve the agenda.

Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. 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 May 25, 2021. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

6. Warrants:

Motion by Morgan, supported by Rush to approve warrants totaling: \$82,547.18. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. Supervisor's Report – Bowman:

- A big Thank You to Sumpter's own BooyaQ BBQ, with sponsorship from Hogz Backyard BBQ, Shiggin' Aint Easy BBQ and Sumpter Ace Hardware for providing boxed lunches to our firefighters this past Saturday. Cooking was done by Jeff and Terresa Georgic of BooyaQ and Buddy Hammett. I stopped by the Fire Department and it was a wonderful sight to see. I have it on excellent authority that the food was delicious.
- I would like to take the time to read a letter from Supervisor McNamara that was sent to me. We are proud of our Sumpter Township firefighters and are honored to be of mutual aid to our neighbors. I appreciate Supervisor McNamara and Fire Chief McNally taking the time to acknowledge the assistance.
- I'd like to call upon my Deputy to provide some pivotal information pertaining to the Township's DPW in regards to the retirement of the Water Superintendent. Deputy O'Connell advised of the immediate temporary need to secure the S2 Certification standards to ensure compliance of the Sumpter Township Water & Wastewater Operations by the Board approving the direct reporting of the current consenting S2 License Holder, Michael Petrowski, to the Township Supervisor, including Water Operations & Utility Billing. Supervisor Bowman requested an approval motion.

Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the Supervisor's report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

8. Attorney's Report - Young:

Twp Lawsuits & Adversarial Proceeding 17%	Insurance matters 2%,
Township Board meetings 5%	Meeting with Twp Officials 7%
Water & Sewer 5%,	Police, Fire 14%
Prosecutions 8%	Ordinance & Blight 6%
Labor Contract/LOU 5%	Employee Contract Issues 6%,
Republic 0%	Planning 5%
Library 1%	Parks & Recreation 2%
Storm Water Management & MDEQ 3%	Board Direction 6%
Audit/Finance 1%	Misc. 6%

Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy to approve the Attorney's report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

9. Police Report – Chief Luke:

Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy to approve the Police report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

10. Building/Ordinance Report – Bowman:

Motion by Oddy, supported by Morgan to receive and file the Building/Ordinance report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

11. Fire Report – Chief Luke:

Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy to approve the Fire Report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

12. Board Response:

- Trustee Oddy wanted to provide his condolences once again to the Clark family. The Oddy family has known Jim Clark for 40 years and he had the pleasure of working together with Mr. Clark in 2008. Mr. Clark provided a lot of guidance when Trustee Oddy was a new member of the Planning Commission. Jim Clark will be sorely missed and he hopes the Clark family finds peace.
- Trustee Rush remembers that when he first moved into Sumpter Township in 1990, Mr. Clark was the Building Inspector. Mr. Clark assisted with a number of recommendations in the property development and a number of major upgrades. Trustee Rush extended his condolences to the Family. What a loss to Sumpter Township. Jim Clark will be missed.
- Supervisor Bowman shared that for the short time he knew Mr. Clark he found him to be a great man. Mr. Bowman extended his sympathy.
- Trustee Morgan expressed that she's known Mr. Jim & Toni Clark for a long time and that his passing is very sad and quite a shock. This township is really going to miss him and what he had to offer. A very good man. Supervisor Bowman agreed.

13. New Business:

- A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve to accept the recommendation from the Sumpter Township Planning Commission to amend a special land use permit at the regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting of May 13, 2021 to divide the existing 9.50 acres of land into two (2) separate parcels consisting of 5.037 acres and 4.463 acres. The subject special land use amendment is for 50425 Bemis Road., Belleville, MI 48111. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

14. Announcements:

- Chief Luke wanted to also thank you BooyaQ BBQ, the Georgics, along with Hogz Backyard BBQ, Shiggin' Aint Easy and Sumpter Ace Hardware for their 2nd year of support. The Board Members have routinely been a support and Police and Fire can't thank them enough. And, of course, the great BBQ! We sincerely hope they know how much this is appreciated and how much they do for us. Trustee Rush adds this was the 2nd Annual with even bigger plans for next year's event!
- Deputy Burdick, on behalf of Clerk E. Hurst thanked Zywicki's Greenhouse for the potted plant arrangements placed at the Township Hall's entrance.
- Trustee Morgan inquired on the next steps for Forgotten Harvest and Deputy O'Connell advised that arrangements are in process and, once finalized, will be announced and published.

15. Open Floor: No Attendee spoke.

16. Adjournment: Motion by Rush, supported by Morgan to adjourn at 6:28 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by,
Anthony Burdick, Deputy Clerk
Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk

Date

Timothy Bowman, Supervisor

Date