

Sumpter Township
Virtual Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 14, 2021, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

PUBLIC 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 will be conducted virtually in compliance with the emergency declaration of the Wayne County Executive Order and Wayne County Department of Health regarding remote public meetings.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor T. Bowman at 7:18 pm. Roll call: Supervisor T. Bowman (Wayne Cty, Sumpter Twp, MI), Clerk E. Hurst (Wayne Cty, Sumpter Twp, MI), Treasurer V. Warren (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). Also showing present: Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Burdick, Public Safety Director/ Chief of Police Luke, Fire Chief Brown and 10 attendees.

3. Agenda: Motion by LaPorte, supported by Bowman to approve the Agenda with the following:

ADD: 13. New Business, Agenda Item L.

"Consider approval to appoint Trustee Rush as the Deputy Supervisor at the yearly pay rate of \$8,804.00 to provide oversight of the Water and Building Departments with the term ending April 30, 2022."

Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

4. Public Comments: None.

5. Minutes:

A. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 23, 2021. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Oddy, supported by Bowman to approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes of November 30, 2021. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to accept the Parks & Recreation Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2021. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

6. Warrants:

Motion by Oddy, supported by Morgan to approve the warrants total of \$130,057.84 and the contract payout of Elle Cole O'Connell discussed during the workshop of 72 PTO Hours and 109.33 Vacation Hours. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. Receive & Files:

Motion by LaPorte, supported by Bowman to receive and file the following reports;

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

Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. **Motion carried.**

12. Board Response: None.

13. New Business:

A. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to approve to reappoint Helen Teall to the Board of Review effective January 2, 2022 until January 1, 2025. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Morgan, supported by Bowman to approve to purchase the Bio Air System for odor remediation at corner location Sumpter & Willis Rds for a total cost not to exceed \$98,552.73. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to purchase water meters and reader boxes from Ferguson Waterworks totaling \$9,376.48. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

D. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve of all outstanding/processed warrants to a date of December 31, 2021 close of business. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to approve to direct the Clerk's Office to take all necessary actions for the purposes of BS&A payroll and ADP payroll activities until January 12th, 2022. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

F. Motion by Morgan, supported by LaPorte to approve to opening the Township Hall and the Treasurer's office for residents to pay taxes on Thursday, December 30th, 2021 from the hours of 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

G. Motion by Morgan, supported by Oddy to approve of contract with Elle Cole-O'Connell for contract finance & accounting-related services (submitted by Attorney Rob Young) at the rate of \$95.00 per service hour, effective December 1st, 2021 until February 28th, 2022. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush and Morgan. Nay: Clerk E. Hurst and Trustee LaPorte. Motion carried.

H. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve to move supervision of the Water Billing Clerk to the Treasurer's Office due to the vacancy in the Deputy Supervisor position. Roll call vote:

Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush and LaPorte. Nay: Trustee Morgan. Motion carried.

I. Motion by Oddy, supported by Morgan to approve to modify Parks & Recreation Ordinance, Section 16-32 to the new language in the attached documents per Parks & Recreation and the Sumpter Township Police Department recommendations. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

J. Motion by Oddy, supported by Bowman to hire Nicholas Johnson as a full-time police officer contingent on him passing a physical, psychological examination and drug test. Will start at the six-month pay rate. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

K. Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy for a PD three-year agreement with Power DMS at a total cost of \$13,321.55. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

L. Motion by Oddy, supported by Bowman to approve to appoint Trustee Rush as the Deputy Supervisor at the yearly pay rate of \$8,804.00 to provide oversight of the Water and Building Departments with the term ending April 30, 2022. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren, Trustees; Oddy and LaPorte. Nay: Trustee Morgan. Recusal Requested by Trustee Rush. Motion carried.

14. Announcements:

- Trustee LaPorte confirmed that this evening's meeting is the final meeting of the year for 2021!
- Trustee Morgan wished everyone a safe and Happy Holiday. Merry Christmas!

*Supervisor Bowman requested 30 seconds of silence to recognize the passing of former Trustee Don Swinson's father. The Board recognized, with fondness, many memories of Mr. Swinson and what he meant to his neighbors and community. He will be missed.

*The Sumpter Township Board of Trustees and Employees wishes all a Merry Christmas and a safe Happy New Year's!

15. Adjournment: Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to adjourn at 7:39 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by;
Anthony Burdick, Deputy Clerk
Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk

Date

Timothy Bowman, Supervisor

Date