

Sumpter Township Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 24, 2022, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

Meeting called to order by Supervisor T. Bowman at 6:48 pm. Roll call: Supervisor T. Bowman, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer V. Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Trustee Oddy excused. Also showing present: Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Burdick, Finance Director Holtz, Public Safety Director/ Chief of Police Luke, Fire Chief Brown, DPW Director Danci and 5 attendees.

*Note: Trustee Morgan requested a Moment of Silence was held for the recent tragedy and for the victims and families of Uvalde, Texas.

3. Agenda: Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to approve the Agenda with the following considerations;

ADD: New Business, Agenda Item E.

"Consider approval to accept the EAP Help.Net benefit program for all Township employees at an annual cost of \$2,266.32."

New Business, Agenda Item F.

"Consider approval to establish a Review Committee, Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Trustee Oddy, with Trustee Rush as an alternate, to review job descriptions, compensation and benefits of the Statutory Deputies and the Administrator."

Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush and LaPorte Nay: Trustee Morgan. Motion carried.

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

5. Minutes:

Motion by Morgan, supported by Hurst to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2022. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

6. Warrants:

Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to approve the warrants totaling \$494,303.11. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. Parks & Recreation/Chambers Report - Rush:

• Parks & Recreation and Community Outreach to donate to support the Rawsonville Woods' function and allow for a recreational bounce tent at the function.

Motion by LaPorte, supported by Hurst to approve the Parks & Recreation / Chambers Report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

8. Water & Sewer Report - Warren:

Motion by Morgan, supported by LaPorte to receive & file the Water & Sewer Report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

9. Treasurer's Report - Warren

Motion by Morgan, supported by LaPorte to receive & file the Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte, Oddy and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

10. Planning & Zoning Report - Oddy

Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to receive & file the Planning & Zoning Report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

11. Seniors Report - Hurst

- Wayne County Senior services Nutrition program started hot lunch service May 9, 2022 on Mondays and Tuesdays for the month of May Please call 734-461-1186 or 734-461-9373 to RSVP
- Arthritis Foundation Exercise Class Monday and Thursday at 10:30am
- Election Workers are always needed and this year is no exception! Please see the Clerk's Office for further information.
- The State Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, August 2, 2022.
- Due to the State Redistricting and the loss of the Precinct 2 Moose Lodge Polling location, the Clerk's Office will be mailing new Voter ID Cards to ALL Voters over the next several weeks advising of their new Polling Location.
- Treasurer Warren noted the recent Vendor's Market and how enjoyable it was for him and his family.

Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to approve the Planning & Zoning Report. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

12. Board Response:

- DPW Danci reported on updates within the DPW Department.
- Trustee Rush reminded fellow Board Members and attending public that the Board adopted and operates under the policy of Robert's Rules from order and conduct.
- Trustee Morgan expressed the need for attention to the Township Hall Memorial Garden and inquired on volunteers who may be available to assist.

*Note: Attorney Rob Young advised of progress with the FOP negotiations and items that required attention to finalize the agreement. This included the FMLA Policy and its connectivity with applicable Leaves of Absence and the details to support the employee and functions of the policies. Attorney Young requested a motion to receive the Board of Trustees' support in these actions, appropriate continuation of employee benefits and supportive policies.

Motion by Bowman, supported by Morgan to direct the Township Attorney to take actions necessary as noted above and recognition of these policies. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

13. New Business:

A. Motion by Rush, supported by Hurst to approve of the revised Resolution # 2022-03 supporting the action taken by the Conference of Western Wayne County (CWW). Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Rush, supported by Hurst to **TABLE until June 14, 2022** approval to have the following Township owned properties for auction with Braun & Helmer Auction Service:

Sumpter Rd	Parcel ID 81-016-99-0014-715
Wear Rd	Parcel ID 81-080-99-0016-000
Martinsville Rd	Parcel ID 81-102-99-0006-000
Willow Rd	Parcel ID 81-114-99-0014-010
Willow Rd	Parcel ID 81-114-99-0014-011
Willow Rd	Parcel ID 81-114-99-0014-712
Rawsonville Rd	Parcel ID 81-122-99-0007-701
Martinsville Rd	Parcel ID 81-136-99-0012-000

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

C. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to approve, with regrets, to terminate the employment of firefighter Kenneth Myers. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

D. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to approve to recognize John Krushlin, DPW, as the DPW Crew Leader at the current AFSCME established rate (\$0.17 per hour base increase) effective May 16th, 2022. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Rush, supported by Bowman to approve to accept the EAP Help.Net benefit program for all Township employees at an annual cost of \$2,266.32. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte and Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

F. Motion by Hurst, supported by Bowman to approve to establish a Review Committee, Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Trustee Oddy, with Trustee Rush as an alternate, to review job descriptions, compensation and benefits of the Statutory Deputies (Clerk & Treasurer) and the Administrator. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Warren; Trustees: Rush, LaPorte. Nay: Trustee Morgan. Motion carried.

11. Announcements:

- Treasurer Warren and his family extended his love and gratitude to all of the Township residents and employees who expressed their condolences due to the recent loss of his Mother. It was sincerely appreciated.
- Trustee LaPorte extended his gratitude to all of the Township residents and employees who expressed their sympathies due to the recent loss of his Father-In-Law. It was sincerely appreciated.

12. Adjournment; Motion by Rush, supported by Hurst to adjourn at 7:32 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by;

Anthony Burdick, Deputy Clerk Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk Date

Timothy Bowman, Supervisor Date

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