Sumpter Township Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, March 14, 2023, 6:00 p.m. 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111

Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Trustee Oddy at 7:08 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: LaPorte, Rush, Oddy and Morgan. Supervisor Bowman excused. Also showing present: Finance Director Holtz, Township Manager Burdick, Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, DPW Director Danci, and 19 attendees.

Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to have Trustee Oddy chair the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Items F.G. and H were moved up and voted on. The Oath of Office was given by Clerk Hurst to Officer Devos and Officer Salajan for the rank of Sergeant.

Agenda: Motion by LaPorte, supported by Morgan to approve the agenda with the following amendments: Amend: Table item A and add item J.

Roll Call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

- 4. Public Comment/Open Floor: One (1) attendee spoke.
- Minutes: Motion by Rush, supported by Morgan to approve/ accept the Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2023; Regular Board Meeting minutes of February 28, 2023; and Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2022. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.
- Warrants: Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to approve warrants totaling \$1,103,274.44. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.
- 7,8,9,10,11 Motion by Patterson, supported by LaPorte to receive and file all reports. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None.

 Motion carried
- 12. Board Response: Trustee Rush discussed roads and his communication with Wayne County. Trustee LaPorte stated the County should come to a meeting and address the citizen's concerns. Residents should call the road commission and then call the supervisor's office and give them the ticket number so that the office can keep track. Trustee Morgan agreed with LaPorte and added that if it were election time, they would all be out here. Should call the news.

New Business:

- A. TABLED. Consider the adoption of the 2023/2024 budget as presented.
 B. Motion by Patterson, supported by LaPorte to identify and appoint the Focus Group(s) to review and provide input and
- options for all proposed township recreation, development, and facility considerations, with the recommendation of who sits on the group by the Township Manager. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

 C. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to direct the contracted internal auditor and accountant to review the water and sewer rates and the annual Carleton Farms Landfill volumes. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion car-
- ried.

 D. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to approve the Sumpter Township employee confidentiality agreement. Roll call vote: Yes: Oddy, Hurst, Patterson, Laporte, and Rush. Nay: Morgan. Motion carried.
- vote: Yes: Oddy, Hurst, Patterson, Laporte, and Rush. Nay: Morgan. Motion carried.
 E. Motion by Patterson, supported by LaPorte to accept the proposal submitted by Bureau Veritas to provide a township facilities assessment and space utilization report. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.
- F. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to accept the retirement of Sergeant James Cayce with the final active-duty date of 2/28/23, with the employment separation date on or about 4/21/2023 with regrets. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.
- G. Motion by Morgan, supported by LaPorte to promote patrol officer Bart Devos to the rank of Sergeant effective March 15, 2023, at the rate of \$39.49 per hour. Roll call vote: Yes: Allinfavor. Nay: None. Motioncarried.
 H. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to promote patrol officer George Salajan to the rank of Sergeant effective March
- 15, 2023, at the rate of \$39.49 per hour. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

 I. Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush to counter the offer to purchase for parcel #81-102-00-0006-000, Martinsville
- Road, 69.36 acres; accept the price of \$270,000.00, buyer Laing to remove contingencies, pay for his own survey and 60 days due diligence; with the Township
- attorney to draw up the agreement. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

 Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to accept the retirement of Detective/Lieutenant John Toth with the final active-
- J. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to accept the retirement of Detective/Lieutenant John Toth with the final active-duty date of 3/15/2023, with the employment separation date on or about 4/10/2023, with regrets. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.
- All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

 13. Announcements: Many accolades were given to the retiring officers and congratulations were given to the promoted officers,
- 14. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to adjourn at 7:47 p.m. Motion carried.
- Minutes prepared by:
 Deputy Clerk K. Armatis

Date

by Attorney Young and Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke.

Esther Hurst, Clerk	Date	

Sumpter Township

Timothy Bowman, Supervisor

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