

SUMPTER TOWNSHIP
23480 SUMPTER ROAD, BELLEVILLE, MI 48111
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 28TH, 2026
6:00 P.M.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call: Bowman, Frazier, Oddy, Rush and Honey. Excused: LaPorte, Patterson.

Also in attendance were Attorney Young, Township Manager Marten, Chief Luke, Chief Goode, Finance Director Campbell, and DPW Director Tabor.

3. Agenda: Motion by Frazier supported by Oddy to approve the agenda with the addition of **item H**. *Consider the immediate change to Water Tap fees charged by Sumpter Township to be equal to the cost charge by the contractor selected by Sumpter Township to perform with services. This fee adjustment will remain in effect until a RFP for Water Tap fees is secured and a new Water Department fee schedule is approved by the Township Board. As well as the addition of **item I**. Consider approval of an intergovernmental agreement between County of Wayne and Sumpter Township for local partnering initiative for township roads for local improvements in Sumpter regarding paving of Judd Rd.*

Roll Call Vote: Oddy, Frazier, Bowman, Rush & Honey. Excused: LaPorte & Patterson.

Nay: None. Motion Carried.

4. Public Comment: Four (4) attendees spoke.

5. Minutes:

A. Motion by Rush supported by Honey to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of April 14th, 2026. Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

6. Warrants: Motion by Rush supported by Oddy to approve warrants \$109,198.35.

Roll Call Vote: Yay: Bowman, Patterson, Fraizer, Oddy, Rush, and Honey.

Excused: LaPorte and Patterson. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

7. Motion by Oddy, supported by Frazier to receive and file the Parks & Recreation report. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

8. Motion by Frazier supported by Oddy to receive and file the finance report.

Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

9. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to accept the Water and Sewer report as read by DPW Director Tabor. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.
10. Motion by Rush, supported by Frazier to accept the Township Manager report as read by Township Manager Marten.
Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
11. Motion by Frazier supported by Rush to receive and file the Treasurer's Report.
Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
12. Board Response: None.
13. Unfinished Business:
- A. Motion by Frazier supported by Rush to revisit scheduling a special meeting of the Board of trustees at the regular board meeting May 12th, 2026, for review.
Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
14. New Business:
- A. Motion by Rush supported by Frazier to approve of the Township Planning Commission's recommendation to approve text amendment to Section 6.57, Portable Storage Containers.
Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
- B. Motion by Oddy supported by Frazier to approve of the resignation of Nicole VanAssche from the Township Planning Commission effective March 25th, 2026, *with regrets*. Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Rush supported by Oddy to approve to accept the resignation of firefighter James Hurst, effective April 9th, 2026, *with regrets*.
Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Frazier supported by Rush to approve of the hiring committee that includes the following individuals;
- Treasurer Patterson or Deputy Treasurer Campbell – Treasurer's Office
 - Deputy Clerk Herman – Clerk's Office
 - Chief Luke – Public Safety
 - Chief Goode – (Fire Payroll)
 - Captain Gannon – (Police Payroll)
- To re-interview the 3 candidates that have already been interviewed and other applicants for the Human Resource/Finance Assistant Position.

Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Rush supported by Oddy to approve to purchase 22 sets of Tecgen 51 firefighting gear from MES Life Safety for \$16,500. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

F. Motion by Frazier supported by Oddy to approve of Special Land Use review for 25891 Sumpter Road Site.

Roll Call: Yay: None. Nay: Oddy, Frazier, Bowman, Rush & Honey.

Excused: LaPorte and Patterson.

Motion died.

G. Motion by Frazier supported by Oddy to approve of and direct the Township attorney to draft a resolution regarding proposed ordinance amendment, "Business Registration"; consider approval of proposed ordinance amendment "Appendix B- Fees, Rates, Charges, Insurance and Bond Amounts" by repealing "Buildings and Building Regulations" section and adopting proposed fee schedule by resolution. Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

H. **ADDED*** Motion by Frazier supported by Honey to approve of and direct the Township Attorney to draft a resolution regarding the immediate change to Water Tap fees charged by Sumpter Township to be equal to the cost charge by the contractor selected by Sumpter Township to perform with services. This fee adjustment will remain in effect until a RFP for Water Tap fees is secured and a new Water Department fee schedule is approved by the Township Board.

Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Excused: LaPorte. Motion Carried.

I. **ADDED*** Motion by Frazier supported by Bowman of an intergovernmental agreement between County of Wayne and Sumpter Township for local partnering initiative for township roads for local improvements in Sumpter regarding paving of Judd Rd.

Roll Call Vote: Yay: Bowman, Patterson, Fraizer, and Honey. No: Oddy, Rush.

Excused: LaPorte. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Closed Session:

Pursuant to MCL 15.268(c), Request a closed session with the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees for the purpose of updating and discussing the strategy desired by the Township as to preliminary negotiations with AFSCME, FOP and COAM Bargaining Units.

J. **ADDED*** Motion by Oddy supported by Rush to go to *Closed session* at 7:00 p.m. under MCL 15.268 (c) for the following:

Pursuant to MCL 15.268(c), Request a closed session with the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees for the purpose of updating and discussing the strategy desired by the Township as to preliminary negotiations with AFSCME, FOP and COAM Bargaining Units

K. **ADDED*** Motion by Rush supported by Frazier to rejoin the open meeting at 7:30 p.m. Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

L. **ADDED*** Motion by Oddy supported by Frazier to instruct Township Manager and Township Attorney to proceed as directed in the Closed Session.

Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

15. **Announcements:** None.

16. **Adjournment:** Motion by Rush supported by Oddy to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Donald LaPorte, Clerk

Minutes prepared by:
Deputy Clerk, S. Herman
Sumpter Township

Don LaPorte, Clerk

Date

Tim Bowman, Supervisor

Date