

SUMPTER TOWNSHIP
23480 SUMPTER ROAD, BELLEVILLE, MI 48111
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 12TH, 2025
6:00 P.M.

1. **Invocation:** Pastor Jim McKinnes with Willis Baptist Church
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call:** Bowman, LaPorte, Oddy, Rush, Frazier, Patterson and Honey.
4. **Agenda:** Motion by Frazier supported by Rush to approve the agenda
5. **Public Comment:** Two (2) Attendees spoke.
6. **Minutes:**
 - A. Motion by Rush supported by Frazier to approve the regular board meeting minutes of October 28th, 2025. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
7. **Warrants:** Motion by Rush supported by Patterson to approve warrants \$ 564,593.90.
Roll Call Vote: Yes: Oddy, Fraizer, Patterson, Bowman, LaPorte, Rush and Honey.
Nay: None. Motion Carried.
8. Motion by Rush supported by Patterson to receive and file the Supervisor Report.
Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
9. Motion by Rush supported by Oddy to accept the Township Manager Marten's Report.
Included the following:
 - Penetration test to evaluate any vulnerabilities with our online systems.
 - Volunteer Application Form
 - Jury Duty, Thursday, November 13th, 2025
 - Notice regarding environmental protection agency is currently working in the Township on property on Savage Road.
 - Township Logo

Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
10. Motion by Patterson supported by Frazier to receive and file the Attorney's Report.
Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

11. Motion by Rush supported by Frazier to accept the Police/Ordinance Report. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
12. Motion by Frazier, supported by Rush, to receive and file the Building Report. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
13. Motion by LaPorte supported by Honey to accept the Fire Report.
Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
14. Board Response: LaPorte expressed thanks to all the election inspectors that helped with the November 4th, 2025, Special General Election. LaPorte also expressed thanks to DPW Director Tabor and his crew for their help.
15. Unfinished Business:
 - A. Motion by Patterson supported by Rush to approve to go out for bids for Snow Removal Bids with CDBG grant fund **with the addition of documentation of the revised bid spec.* Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
 - B. Motion by Bowman to transfer Accounts Payable and Payroll oversight from the Clerk's Office to the Finance Director. *Motion died due to lack of support.*
16. New Business:
 - A. Motion by Frazier supported by Patterson to approve of volunteer policy and application form. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
 - B. Motion by Patterson supported by Rush to approve of contract with Plan-it and annual expense of \$3,500.00. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
 - C. Motion by Rush to approve of Fiscal year 2025-2026 2nd Quarterly Budget Amendments as presented at the October 28, 2025, meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees. *Motion died due to lack of support.*
 - D. Motion by Frazier supported by Patterson to approve to award Martinsville Pump Station rehabilitation bid to Lawrence M. Clark in the amount of \$271,953.00 (includes a 10 percent contingency over the bid amount of \$247,230.00). Roll Call Vote: Yes: Oddy, Fraizer, Patterson, Bowman, LaPorte, Rush and Honey. Nay: None. Motion Carried.
 - E. Motion by Rush supported by Bowman to approve to close Township Hall on Thursday, December 11, 2025, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for the annual employee holiday luncheon. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

F. **ADDED*** Motion by Bowman supported by LaPorte to accept \$5,100 quote from Van Assche for 47750 Wear Rd to clean up the blight per the court order to clean. Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Announcements:

Rush announced the weather should have been clear that night to view the Northern Lights even with your cell phone.

Patterson expressed the need for involvement from Sumpter Township youth, veterans, etc. in attending the Veterans Memorial Ceremony Event at Belleville High School.

17. Motion by Patterson supported by Frazier to adjourn at 6:41 pm.

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

Donald LaPorte, Clerk

Minutes prepared by:
Clerk LaPorte
Sumpter Township

Samantha Herman, Deputy Clerk

Date

Don LaPorte, Clerk

Date