

SUMPTER TOWNSHIP
23480 SUMPTER ROAD, BELLEVILLE, MI 48111
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 30TH, 2026
5:00 P.M.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

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

Also in attendance were Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Herman, Township Manager Marten.

3. Agenda: ADDED* Motion by Patterson supported by Oddy to have Trustee Oddy chair the meeting. Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Rush supported by Patterson to approve the agenda. Yay: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

4. Public Comment: One (1) Attendee Spoke.

5. New Business:

A. Motion by Rush supported by Frazier to approve to cancel the special meeting of the Township Board of Trustees that is scheduled for 6 p.m. Friday, April 10th.

Discussion:

- Trustee Oddy noted that he is not comfortable cancelling the April 10th special meeting stating residents' voices need to be heard by Wayne County.
- Deputy Supervisor/Trustee Rush stated he is in favor of the meeting.
- Treasurer Patterson shares the same sentiments as Trustee Oddy, noting he does not feel comfortable cancelling the April 10th special meeting.
- Deputy Supervisor/Trustee Rush stated some kind of plan is being constructed by Wayne County. *The County is contracting a third-party vendor in addition to the County supply of road graders as well as ditch maintenance.*
- Trustee Frazier proposed instead of cancelling to postpone the April 10th special meeting for 30 days to allow Wayne County some time to begin the remedy process.
- Trustee Honey noted that he is in favor of postponing.

- Township Manager Ken Marten spoke about the meeting he, Supervisor Bowman, Deputy Supervisor Rush attended via zoom with some “higher ups” at Wayne County on March 27th, 2026. Township Manager Ken Marten advised that some Wayne County officials will be coming out to the Township upon Supervisor Bowman’s return from vacation to have a lunch meeting and assess the roads and ditch maintenance.
 - *Please note that the road maintenance and ditch maintenance are to be treated separately not combined.*

A. **AMENDED*** Motion by Rush supported by Fraizer to **amend** the motion to consider approval to postpone the special meeting of the Board of Trustees that is scheduled for April 10th at 6 p.m. for 30 days and to be revisited at the regular board meeting April 28th, 2026, for review. Roll Call: Patterson, Frazier, Oddy, Rush and Honey. Nay: None. Excused: Bowman & LaPorte. Motion Carried.

14. Adjournment: Motion by Rush, supported by Frazier, to adjourn at 5:24 p.m.
Yes: All in favor. Nay: none. Motion Carried.

Donald LaPorte, Clerk

Minutes prepared by:
Deputy Clerk S. Herman
Sumpter Township

Samantha Herman, Deputy Clerk

Date

Don La Porte, Clerk

Date