

SAUBLE TOWNSHIP BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL: Mary Ann Nugent-present, Gail Raad – present, Beth Acker-present, Tracy Baker-present, Hamid Mir-present.

Agenda Revisions: None

MINUTES:

Acker motion to approve the August 8, 2022, meeting minutes with a second by Baker. All in favor. Motion carried.

Acker motion to approve the September 10, 2022, Public Hearing meeting minutes with a second by Baker. All in favor. Motion carried.

Board Reports:

- **Supervisor:**
 - ORV cheat sheets on table
- **Clerk:**
 - November 8, 2022, AV ballots will be available beginning September 29, 2022.
 - Acker motion to approve bills & payroll with a second from Nugent. All in favor. Motion carried.
- **Treasurer:**
 - Raad motion to approve treasurer's report as presented with a second from Nugent. All in favor. Motion carried.
- **Trustees:** No comments

Public Comment: None

Dignitary Reports:

Gary Nugent, Chairman for the Fire Board: 2 medical & 1 fire in Sauble. Month to date is 26.

Gary Nugent, SEE Joint Building Authority: Open house was held on September 3, 2022, and many people in attendance.

Gary Nugent, SEE Fire Support: All materials are now consolidated at the new station.

Don Arquette, County Commissioner: Gave report from last commissioner's meeting.

Richard Martin, Lake County Sheriff Department: Not present

GUEST SPEAKERS:

- Amy Shank, Luther Public Library
 - Luther Public library is Sauble's designated library. Any suggestions for the Luther library are appreciated.

- Greg Barnett – Sauble Township Assessor
 - Will be assessing last year's, and this year's new construction based on building permits issued
 - December Board of Review
 - Balancing the roll with the County and ratios given to him, anywhere from 7% -8% as high as 14% to 15% increase of assessed value.
 - Has completed field work on trailer parks/campgrounds, which have never been on the assessment roll and is following the law.
 - Met with the property owners to reassess.
 - Have sketched all the properties and improvements and taken pictures.
 - Field work completed on Pleasant Acres Trailer Park, Leisure Time Campground, Jungle Haven Resort, Sauble Lakes Campground, currently working on Big Bass Campground.
 - Will have valuations by end of year.
 - Trying to avoid filing 154's with State Tax Commission
 - Sauble Township supports Greg Barnett.
 - Will only file 154's if he's mandated to do so

Bill Rodgers, Land Use Administrator's Report:

- Issued 1 permit for recreational vehicle
- Other Concerns:
 - Waite DR – Inoperable Vehicles – Last car has been removed
 - Hamilton RD – Inoperable, Abandoned Vehicles, Vehicle Parts, Junk/Blight
 - Compliance Plan – 1 st goal set for 9/6/22. Property owners made considerable compliance in cleaning up designated area, per inspection, but asked for more time. Allowing 2 additional weeks (9/20/22) to meet 1st goal and allowing 1 month (10/6/22) to remove non-compliant fence.
 - W 6 Mile RD – Junk/Blight
 - Met with property owner on 8/19/22. Corrective action plan deadline 9/21/22
 - 3 Mile/Hamilton RD – follow up on partially dismantled trailer removal from August 2021
 - Property owner is slowly getting trailer remains removed
 - N Mac RD – Environmental Health, Lake Co Building Dept - residence in shed, update?
 - Al Rose is not doing anything as no trespassing sign on property
 - Bill will contact Terry Felty of Lake County Health Department
 - N Mac Rd/6 Mile RD, SW Corner, house with large hole in roof and abandoned car.
 - Owner will have it torn down by May 1, 2023
 - Will have car removed by fall

COMMISSION/BOARD REPORTS:

Planning and Zoning:

- Jim Sharp stated that there was high attendance at the ordinance public hearing on 9/6/22
 - Attendees should have been at the prior zoning hearing
- A special meeting will be held on 9/21/22 at 6 PM
 - A few changes to ordinance will be made
 - Will bring to township board at 10/10/22 meeting
 - Zoning map will be displayed after township board approves ordinance

Zoning Board of Appeals: Nothing

Board of Review: December meeting will be held. Greg Barnette will notify Nugent on date.

Unfinished Business:

- **ACTION – ABS Pest Control Contract**
 - Acker motion to approve contract with ABS Pest Control - \$80 per month for 5 months, May – September with a second from Raad. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Mir, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- **Update – Loon Lake SAD**
 - Public Hearing on assessment roll will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2022, at 9 AM
- **UPDATE – Sauble Lakes (1-4) SAD**
 - 1st public hearing will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2022, at 10:30 AM
 - Clear Water Lake Management representative will attend to answer questions
 - Tom Snow will provide total costs by Friday, 9/16/22
- **Continuation Of Discussion on ARPA Funds Use**
 - Well tank, security cameras, insulation, display board are all completed
 - Waiting on quote for vinyl siding, soffit, and fascia on building
 - Trying to keep work local
 - Quote for new roof
 - Spent \$7,000 so far
- **Trunk n Treat**
 - Will be held on Saturday, 10/29/22 at 5 PM
 - Will advertise on website and outside board

New Business:

- **Mecosta-Lake Conservation**
 - Acker motion to approve \$100 paid to Mecosta-Lake Conservation District Hazardous Waste Collection with a second from Raad. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Mir, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- **Resolution 11-2022 (Creation of Loon Lake SAD)**
 - Acker motion to approve Resolution 11-2022 with a second from Nugent. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Mir, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- **Resolution 12-2022 (Schedule Hearing of Loon Lake SAD Assessment Roll)**
 - Acker motion to approve Resolution 12-2022 with a second from Nugent. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Mir, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- **Resolution 13-2022 (Approval of 2022 Tax Rate Request Form L-4029)**
 - Acker motion to approve Resolution 12-2022 with a second from Nugent. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Mir, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- **Appointment of new Constable for Liquor License Inspection**
 - Raad motion to appoint James Sharp as Sauble Township constable for the period of September 12, 2022, until November 2024 with a second from Baker. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Mir, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
 - Sharp will take oath of office after meeting.
- **SEE Fire Station #1 – transfer of building to township**
 - Acker motion to approve transfer of building to Sauble township with a second from Baker. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Mir, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
 - Township assumes financial responsibility for the building.

- **Vacant Fire Building**

- **Building usage**
 - Cannot lease building as the property would then become taxable
 - A possibility of the Lake County Road Commission storing 1 blade truck and 1 payloader in the building.
 - A possibility of getting LCRC doing a 3rd brine or funding road projects
 - Heating and electricity of building will be negotiated
- Raad motion that supervisor, Mary Ann Nugent, contact Sauble township attorney for legal guidance in how to utilize the vacant building as Lake County Road Commission is interested in storing 2 county plows in building. Since compensation can't be made to the township, what is the process to negotiate other opportunities that will benefit the township. Also, to contact Leroy Williams of the LCRC after speaking with attorney. Second by Acker. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Mir, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Board Privilege:

Public Comment: One comment began 7:21 pm to 7:22 pm.

Adjournment: Moved by Nugent, second by Raad. Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gail Raad, Sauble Township Clerk