

# SAUBLE TOWNSHIP BOARD

## MEETING MINUTES

### October 16, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:00 pm

**ROLL CALL:** Mary Ann Nugent-present, Gail Raad-present, Beth Acker-present, Tracy Baker-present, Linda Snow-present.

**Agenda Revisions:** Raad motion to accept agenda with revision of adding Resolution 11-2023 and second from Baker. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### **MINUTES:**

Acker motion to approve the September 11, 2023, meeting minutes with a second from Snow. All in favor. Motion carried.

Baker motion to approve the September 15, 2023, meeting minutes with a second from Acker. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### **Board Reports:**

- **Supervisor:**

- Shared Mary Bombich funeral service/procession held on Saturday, October 14, 2023. Was well attended with many fire departments participating.

- **Clerk:**

- Will attend clerk training regarding early voting on Wednesday, 10/18, 9 am to 1 pm.
- Received reimbursement from the Baldwin School District in the amount of \$2101.95 for conducting the Baldwin Millage Proposal on 8/8/23.
- Paid Gilbert's Carpet the remaining balance for vinyl plank, carpet tiles in the amount of \$5813.97 which was paid using ARPA funds.

Nugent motion to approve bills & payroll with a second from Acker. All in favor. Motion carried.

- **Treasurer:**

- Acker and Hanson will attend all day treasurer training on 10/21 at Dover Township.

Raad motion to accept treasurer's report as presented with a second from Nugent. All in favor. Motion carried.

- **Trustees:** Baker mentioned Loon Lake spraying and will meet with Acker after the meeting.

**Public Comment:** None

#### **Dignitary Reports:**

**Gary Nugent, Chairperson for the Fire Board:** Sauble had 2 medical & 0 fires in September. Total runs of 23. Year to date is 219.

**Gary Nugent, SEE Joint Building Authority:** Nothing to report.

**Gary Nugent, SEE Fire Support:** Nothing to report.

**Don Arquette, County Commissioner:** Gave his report.

**Lake County Sheriff:** Rich Martin not present.

**Leroy Williams, Road Commission:** Not Present

**Assessor, Greg Barnett:** Not present.

- A call from a resident as Mr. Barnett was on her property; however, had no ID on him.
- Assessor can be on property but cannot enter the physical dwelling.

**Board of Review:** Nothing to report.

**Planning and Zoning:** Jim Sharp stated a meeting was held on 10/3/23.

- Bob Hall, Zoning Administrator, not present; however, he sent a report to Jim.
- Alternate paths for the North Country Trail.
- Residents from Able Rd.
  - Concerned about Short Term Rental
    - Township to provide a stipulation for special use permit.
- Discuss with Bob Hall at November Planning Meeting regarding fences and blight.
- Planning Commission will provide the clerk a copy of Mr. Hall's report.

**Unfinished Business:**

- **Generator**
  - Nugent wrote a grant request to Lake County Community Foundation (LCCF) and the Great Lakes Energy People Fund. Importance of board & committee members participate in the People Fund. November and December are when the grants are awarded. Baker stated there may be some funds available from the Gerber Foundation.

**Trunk -n- Treat**

- Meet at township on Saturday, 10/28/23 at 3 PM to set up.
- Thank you to Linda Snow for making up the treat bags.
- Explorers will be available to help.

**New Business:**

- **Resolution 10-2023 Establish an Early Voting Polling Location**

Raad motion to approve Resolution 10-2023 with a second by Nugent. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Snow, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

- **Snowplowing**
  - Riggs Snowplowing
    - Only one bid with no increase in cost.

Nugent motion to approve Riggs Snowplowing for the 2023-2024 winter season with a second by Acker. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Snow, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

- **DNR Spark Grant**
  - Sauble Township grant application was denied.
- **Lake County Township Officers Association**
  - Meeting to be held on Thursday, 10/26/23 at 7 PM at Pinora Township Hall.
- **Resolution 11-2023 Opposition to Preempt Local Control for the Siting and Permitting of Utility Scale Renewable Facilities**
  - Residents can contact Rep. Fox and Senator Outman to voice their opinion. The information is on the blackboard.

Acker motion to approve Resolution 11-2023 with a second by Baker. Roll call vote: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Snow, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Raad will forward Resolution 11-2023 to Rep. Fox, Senator Outman, and MTA as well as Governor Whitmer.

**Public Comment:** Woolever asked who should be contacted regarding the burning of toxic chemicals. Contact 911.

**Board Privilege:** Raad acknowledges the presence of Snow at the meeting. Hope her recovery continues.

Acker motion to adjourn board meeting at 7:07 PM with a second by Raad.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Raad, Sauble Township Clerk