

SAUBLE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm

MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

Agenda: Raad motion to accept agenda as presented with a second from Snow. All in favor. Motion carried.

MINUTES:

Baker motion to approve the August 12, 2024, board meeting minutes with a second from Acker. All in favor. Motion carried. Acker motion to approve the September 5, 2024, Special Board meeting minutes with a second from Snow. All in favor. Motion carried.

Board Reports:

- **Supervisor:**
 - Lake County Township Officer Assn meeting was held at Sauble Township on August 29, 2024, at 7 PM.
 - Contacted Undersheriff Mark Pietras regarding traffic signs to be used in the township.
 - LCCF Endowment Fund statement for Sauble Township.
- **Clerk:**
 - A recount was held on the 2 Judicial candidates in second place and no change was made.
 - Pay road bringin from the Secure Rural School PILT which has \$5238 available.
 - November ballots to be available by 9/21 with AV permanent ballots to be mailed by 9/26.
 - Three millages on November ballot:
 - Baldwin Schools – 48.8 million for not more than 25 years. First year at 3.9 mills,
 - Emergency Management Services (EMS) requesting .7315 mills for 6 years.
 - Veterans Affairs requesting .0970 mills for 6 years.
 - Request for Lake County Clerk office to reimburse \$120 for Early Voting hours worked by Ann Baker.
 - Have enrolled in twelve sessions of election tidbits from the Bureau of Elections. Enrolled in election online webinar presented by MTA.

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

Treasurer:

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

- **Trustees:** No comments.

Dignitary Reports:

Assessor, Greg Barnett:

- Brought paperwork for supervisor to sign giving township residents access to the BS&A online database of property records. Cost of \$6 per record payable to BS&A and is not for the current year.

Nugent motion to approve the online BS&A database for property owners' access at a cost of \$6 per record. Amount to be paid to BS&A by credit card with a second by Baker. Roll call: Nugent, yes; Raad, yes; Acker, yes; Snow, yes; Baker, yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Pleasant Acres Trailer Park and Michigan Tax Tribunal. Josh Beard, Sauble attorney contacted Greg with a new petition for 2024

- Venema – appealing Special SAD assessment on his properties located on Sauble Lakes to Michigan Tax Tribunal. Barnett does not think it is a Michigan Tax Tribunal issue.

Gary Nugent, Chairperson for the Fire Board: Sauble had two (2) medical & two (2) fires in August. MTD is thirty-five (35). YTD is 202.

Gary Nugent, SEE Fire Support: Nothing to report.

County Commissioner, Mike Seroczynski: Not present.

Lake County Sheriff, Richard Martin: Two new deputies (animal control & road patrol).

- Christmas toy giveaway will be held at the Luther Fire Hall.
- Option for townships to design their own coin in 2025. All monies collected for the township coin is returned to the township.
- LCCF – Grants in the amount of up to \$10,000 are given twice a year.

Lake County Road Commission: Not present.

Planning and Zoning: Three vacancies available.

Board of Review: Two vacancies available.

Zoning Administrator: No report from Bob Hall.

Community Garden Update: Baker stated that the first delivery of corn was made to the Bread of Life Pantry in Baldwin. With a second delivery to be made soon.

Unfinished Business:

- **Zoning Issues:**
 - Special meeting was held on 9/5/25 with Bob Hall present. Bob has training packets for the P&Z members.
 - Only option is to amend the zoning issues in question. Bob has templates to use.
- **Generator Installation** will begin on Wednesday, 9/11/24. Fischer Propane will submit building permit application.
- **Trunk n Treat** will be held on Saturday, 10/26/24 from 5-6:30 PM
 - Stuff bags at October meeting at 5:30 pm.
 - Sheriff Martin has \$750 check available from the recyclable can fund.
 - Explorers will be available at 4 pm.
 - Baker has discretionary funds to be used from the Fremont Foundation.

New Business:

- **Resolution 12-2024 approval of the 2024 tax rate request form L-4029.**
 - Acker motion to approve Resolution 12-2024 tax rate request form L-4029 with a second by Baker. Roll call vote: Nugent, aye; Raad, aye; Acker, aye; Baker, aye; Snow, aye. All in favor. Motion carried.
Raad will email a copy of Resolution 12-2024 to Equalization Direction Tony Mygaard along with the other documentation.

Public Comment: Comments made from 6:55 PM to 7:03 PM.

Board Privilege:

Acker motion to adjourn board meeting at 7:05 PM with a second by Baker. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gail Raad, Sauble Township Clerk