

## STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

### Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on April 12, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Roll call was taken with Supervisor Isaacson, Treasurer Rogers, Clerk Christensen and Trustees Pangrazzi and Stolberg in attendance. Also present was Water Supervisor, Wyatt Johnson.

The minutes were read from the March 8, 2023, meeting and accepted as read.

The proposed 2023-2024 budget was reviewed. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to accept the budget as presented with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month and Trustee Stolberg made a motion to approve the bills with a second by Trustee Pangrazzi. Bills were approved.

Treasurer Rogers read the Treasurer's report which was accepted as presented.

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance reported that S.C. Swiderski is interested in placing a housing development in the Crystal Falls area. The Iron County Live, Work & Play event will take place on April 15<sup>th</sup> from 10—3 at George Young's. He has been unable as of yet to meet with contacts regarding the Iron Belle Trail. As a result of a reduction in advertising, 15,000 Visitor's Guides were printed instead of 20,000. The Fast Grant Program is moving forward, but finding available contractors is difficult.

Perspective salary increases for all of the Board Members took place. Clerk Christensen prepared a comparison spreadsheet for salaries for board members in all of the townships excluding Hematite. Robert Cole stated that he felt the board should receive an increase to make the salaries comparable to other townships. He suggested a monthly increase of \$555 for the Supervisor position to \$1,800, an increase of \$322 for the Clerk and the Treasurer to \$2,000, and an increase \$55 for the Trustees positions to \$350. Anne and John Nieminen stated that they did not feel a percentage increase was enough after reviewing the spreadsheet. Mr. Nieminen said "Good work deserves good compensation". Trustee Stolberg made a motion to go with the suggested increases by Robert Cole with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried and effective as of April 1, 2023.

Supervisor Johnson has been in contact with a dozen businesses checking pricing on a trailer to haul the lawn mower. Tractor Supply Company offers a 5' x 9' trailer for \$2,000. Tool Time has one for \$2,600 that is a little bigger. Trustee Stolberg said he will check an auction site for a used one.

New signage is being worked on for Holmes Park and the hall. Supervisor Johnson has spoken to the residents at Ski Brule that have a shared well. Two of the owners have said they want to tap into the township's waterline while two are still deciding. A waterline break on Nowicki Road was repaired and many roads have been reported with washouts.

John Nieminen reported that the bid process is ongoing for his Stanley Lake project and but not proceed until fall or even next spring.

Chicaugon Lake property owners sent a request for a \$7,500 donation for milfoil abatement. The decision regarding this is tabled until the May meeting.

WICKWIRE has prepared a proposal to be submitted for the Sparks Grant which would be used for upgrades at Holmes Park. Cost to prepare the proposal is \$1,500. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to accept this proposal with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

All is good at the Windsor Center, with the Fire Department and at the Cemetery.

Our next regular meeting will be on May 10, 2023.

There were no zoning permits to report.

Treasurer Rogers made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen