

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on February 8, 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 January 11, 2023, meeting and accepted as read.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month and Trustee Stolberg made a motion to approve the bills as read 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 approximately 60 residents in Iron County applied for the MI-HOPE Grant which is being administered by WUPPDR. Five or six Iron County residents were drawn for Phase 1. There will be three phases to the Grant with the resident's names who have applied, but haven't been drawn, rolling over into the next Phase. In addition, new residents may apply for the upcoming Phases.

Zach also stated that there will be a meeting regarding the continuation of the bike trail project with the original plan being resurrected.

Resident, Mary Wurzer, inquired if electronic items were accepted during our Annual Clean-up. While these items are accepted, paint and tires are not.

Water Supervisor Johnson reported that about 8% of the meters in the township are in need of replacement or repair. This is being done on a consistent basis as we are able to get new meters or parts. In addition, the amount of revenue being received for utility billing has been gradually increasing over the past two years.

Utility customer's whose meters we can't access are being charged additionally and their arrear amounts are placed on their property taxes.

The Hill Road well pipes have been cleaned up—the rust was ground off and they are repainted. Supervisor Johnson said dehumidifiers are needed in the pump houses to control humidity during warmer weather.

John Nieminen will be putting an addition on a cabin on Cataldo Drive on Stanley Lake. The addition will end up over the current waterline which will need to be moved. The plan is being reviewed and responsibility for costs will be considered.

The Lyss's still have not had their new meter put in place. They will have until Friday of this week to do so or their water will be shut off as per their warning letter.

The upcoming road projects are in the planning process, but we don't have a definitive plan yet.

The Forest Service wants to put a dock in Hagerman Lake -- going through the permitting process to do so.

Alina Shively, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer for the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, has sent a request to submit to the state a name change for Squaw Lake/Marsh Bay Lake to Makwagamaa or Bear Lake. The Township has no objection to this change.

Craig Richardson from WICKWIRE will begin work on Phase 2 of the Sparks Grant for Holmes Park.

Water Supervisor Johnson proposed that the Township purchase a new sign for the hall. He said our current sign cannot be repaired. He will contact Nicolet Sign to do the artwork for it as well as the new signs for Holmes Park.

Clerk Christensen proposed closing our general account with MERS to any additional or new hires. Supervisor Isaacson made a motion to do so with a second from Treasurer Rogers. Motion carried.

Windsor Center is doing well with the auditorium being painted and re-carpeted. Supervisor Isaacson will check with Dawn Pisoni regarding copies of their minutes for our review.

The Board of Review will be meeting on March 13-14, 2023, and are also in need of a new board member.

There were no zoning permits to review.

Our next regular meeting will be held on March 8, 2023.

Treasurer Rogers made a motion to adjourn with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen