

## STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

### Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on March 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 February 8, 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 Treasurer Rogers. Bills were approved.

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

Resident, Laura Erhart, inquired as to the reason our MERS fund was behind on payments. Supervisor Isaacson explained that as a result of the downward turn in the market and a guarantee to meet a specific level of return, we are underfunded and need to pay into the fund.

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance reported he is continuing to work with S.C. Swiderski on housing development plans. He will be meeting with his new contact at the end of the month. He also had a meeting with community leaders to discuss the continuation of the Iron Belle Trail. More grant money is available for this project than in the past. The ICECA will soon be releasing the guidelines for their Iron County Fast Track Grant Program which will offer up to \$2,500 for start-up businesses.

The Iron County Visitor's Guide has been sent to the printer. 20,000 copies will be printed for distribution.

Hagerman Lake pump house pipes have been cleaned and painted. Supervisor Johnson reported that the inside of the building and the floor will also be painted.

There has been some waterline breaks at Stanley Lake and Ski Brule that were repaired. A Ski Brule resident who currently has a joint well with the neighbors inquired into the possibility of hooking up to the township waterline. A \$2,000 tap in fee would be charged in addition to the cost of running a new line.

Discussion regarding moving the waterline for John Nieminen's project at Stanley Lake took place. Minimum costs to the owners would be \$3,500 with all costs not being figured in yet. Mr. Nieminen said they could dig for the waterline when they did the basement dig to contain costs. Trustee Stolberg

made a motion for the township to share the costs to move the line with the owners and to have an easement put in place. Treasurer Rogers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resident, Mary Wurzer, inquired about the Lyss's water meter. Supervisor Johnson assured her it was repaired and working.

The water department is in need of a trailer to transport the lawn mower. Supervisor Johnson will look into options regarding one.

Supervisor Isaacson stated we received a letter from UPSET requesting monetary support from the township. \$1,000.00 was already budgeted for this request.

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

The Board reviewed drawings of the new sign project to be put by the hall. The green background was the one chosen.

FA Industrial was granted the bid for the University Road project for this year for \$203,000. Crystal Falls Township has decided that they do not have the funds to share the cost to redo Krans Road with Bates Township. Bates is having a meeting to decide what to do as the road is in great need of repair.

Treasurer Rogers has finished collecting \$3,783,834.54 of taxes.

Mr. Haukkala has informed the Township that he no longer will be doing audits so we are in need of finding another auditor.

Our annual meeting will be on March 29<sup>th</sup> at the hall at 7 p.m.

Our next regular meeting will be on April 12, 2023.

There were no zoning permits to report.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen