

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on January 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

The minutes were read from the December 13, 2023, meeting and accepted as read.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Bills were approved as read.

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

Stephanie Swenski, Director of the West Iron District Library, gave a presentation regarding the millage renewal the library is seeking in the upcoming election.

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance reported that New Porter, LLC is the new owner of the Alpha/Porter School in Alpha. They are planning to restore the school building into middle/market price apartments. The "Shop Iron County" Facebook campaign reached out to over 29,000 people to attract out of area shoppers to Iron County. The next Business after Hours will be on January 31st in Crystal Falls, location to be determined. Sponsors include the CF Lions Club and Edward Jones Financial Advisor Ryan O'Grady. The Curious Pig will be the caterer. The UP Firefighters Tournament will be held in Iron River this year during the last weekend in July.

Water Supervisor, Wyatt Johnson, reported that our new generator is currently at Spicer's Shop. A small oil leak was noticed and is being checked out. There have been some waterline breaks that are being repaired as they occur.

Supervisor Isaacson stated that all of our roads are under winter maintenance mode.

A resolution was presented to Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test for those unable to contribute to the public charges and may be eligible for exemption in whole or part from taxation. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to accept this resolution with a second from Trustee Stolberg. Motion carried.

Supervisor Isaacson also presented a Resolution to Waive Penalties for Non-Filing of Property Transfer Affidavits. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to accept this resolution with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

Mari Negro, Assessor, has posted hours for public inspection and copying of records from Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to noon and by appointment.

Clerk Christensen stated that there will be upcoming election training on January 30th at the courthouse. There are ten people signed up to attend. Our Public Accuracy Test will be held on Thursday, February 22nd at 9 a.m. prior to the election at the hall. Early voting site has been confirmed to be held at Iron

River City Hall for Stambaugh Township. We are required to mail a post card to each household in our Jurisdiction that has registered voters. These post cards will be printed, addressed, and mailed by Print Blvd. in Kingsford. Our audit will be the week of January 22nd. Documents and records are being gathered for it. BS&A is looking to go live by the end of April with replacement of our Fund Balance programs for Utility Billing, Payroll, Accounts Payable, and our General Ledger and enhancement to Treasurer Rogers and Assessor Negro's programs as well. All of the 1099's and W-2's are completed and in the mail along with all of the quarter and year end reports. All AV applications were sent out by January 29th.

The next township meeting will be held on February 14, 2024.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen

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The minutes were read from the January 10, 2024, meeting and accepted as read.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Trustee Stolberg made a motion to approve the bills with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

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

John Nieminen reported that the State is looking at changes for new construction with increased insulation and sprinkler systems which would only make it more expensive and create other issues.

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance reported that Lt. Gov. Gilchrist was in the area and they were able to discuss with him the Crystal Falls housing project. The 2024 Iron County Visitor's Guide will go to print in a week with a mid-March target date to be returned for distribution. The annual report for the ICECA was also submitted to the Board.

Water Supervisor, Wyatt Johnson, reported that we have had a few leaks in the area that have been repaired. The #1 Pump at the Hagerman Lake well house is having issues. The electrical aspect has been worked on, but it continues to blow circuits. It will need to be repaired, replaced or upgraded. Estimates will be needed for review. Water Ordinances were reviewed with three changes recommended: a meter pit must be approved by the Water Department Supervisor; a water main can be moved with Township approval, however, the cost of moving the water main for construction purposes will fall wholly on the customer; and lastly a customer that damages water department property while turning their water on or off, will be charged for the repair and all costs incurred. Trustee Stolberg made a motion to make these three changes with Treasurer Rogers seconded it. Motion carried.

Supervisor Isaacson stated upgrade will take place on W. Brule Lake Road, but Hagerman Lake Road and Golden Lake Trail would be less expensive if delayed to 2025.

Highline and Jamadots are moving ahead to expand broadband to our area.

The Fire Department and community resources came together to handle the damage to property and house the displaced residents in Iron River after the house explosion. The investigation into the cause continues.

Clerk Christensen stated that our Public Accuracy Test for Election Day will take place at the Stambaugh Township Hall at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 22nd. Early voting in Iron River will start on February 17th and continue through February 25th. Stambaugh Township will run the EV election on February 23rd

in Iron River along with regular election on Tuesday, February 27th. Our auditor was unable to start due to illness. Waiting to hear when the audit will take place. BS&A is looking to go live by the end of April with replacement of our Fund Balance programs for Utility Billing, Payroll, Accounts Payable, and our General Ledger and enhancement to Treasurer Rogers program as well. It was decided that we would not upgrade Mari Negro's program at this time. Clerk Christensen will hold mandatory pre-election hours on February 24th and 25th from 8—noon at the hall for registration of voters.

Treasurer Rogers will be holding mandatory hours at the hall on Thursday, February 29th from 9—5 for residents to pay their taxes.

The next township meeting will be held on March 13, 2024.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

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The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on March 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

The minutes were read from the February 14, 2024, meeting and accepted as read.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Trustee Stolberg made a motion to approve the bills with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

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

A new pump is in place at Hagerman Lake. The water is currently being tested for safety clearance. On Tuesday a Rep from EGLE will be here for a Sanitary Survey on all three pump houses and the water tank. We now have the parts in stock for the re-run on the main waterline at Stanley Lake. AT&T sent us a bill for damage that occurred during a culvert installation on Brule Mountain Road. Supervisor Johnson contacted AT&T to let them know that we do not do culvert installations. An Inspector will come to investigate the matter. Supervisor Johnson requested that we purchase a leaf blower that could be used on the bike trail, etc. Request was approved. A couple of leaks were reported and repaired on Hagerman Lake that will require some major clean-up in the spring.

The Golden Lake Trail agreement was proposed for overlay of 2,460 feet of the road for \$144,924.25. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to accept the proposal with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

Clerk Christensen reported that the EV and Election Day voting went well. Stambaugh Township had 25% of the early voters at a count of 33. For the five jurisdictions that took part in early voting at the Iron River City Hall, 134 voters participated for a .02283% of the total of registered voters for all jurisdictions. The cost for EV was \$1,020.60, but would have been \$4,004.80 if we had done it alone. Election Day expenses totaled \$5,001.00 which did not include advertising or ballot cost which the County paid and will receive reimbursement. It was reported that a voter came to our hall with a concealed weapon which prompted discussion regarding a need for a no weapon's policy. No conclusion was made at this time.

After discussion regarding additional compensation for Clerk Christensen as a result of added Election duties with nine days of EV and procedure changes, a motion was made by Trustee Pangrazzi to compensate the Clerk for \$4,445.00 with a second from Trustee Stolberg and Treasurer Rogers. Motion carried.

Holmes Park may be opening early with the current weather situation. Supervisor Johnson stated that there will be a need to have more of the trees taken down that are dying and a safety risk.

Treasurer Rogers reported that she had collected \$4,087,525.76 in taxes.

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance reported through his newsletter that the City of Crystal Falls and SCS are in the final stages of their development agreement for the proposed housing project. The Visitor's Guides have been sent to be printed and will soon be distributed. The lack of snow this winter has negatively impacted businesses and organizations. As a result of this situation, a Disaster Assistance Program has been released to help these in need.

Trustee Pangrazzi received two quotes to have the hall floor, cleaned, stripped and refinished. Dale Stromberg will be doing the job for \$1,359.00.

Our annual meeting has been set for Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 7 p.m.

The next township meeting will be held on April 10, 2024.

Treasurer Rogers made a motion to adjourn with a second from Trustees Pangrazzi and Stolberg.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on April 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

The minutes were read from the March 12, 2024, meeting and accepted as read.

Supervisor Isaacson presented the new budget for 2024/2025. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to approve the budget with a second from Trustee Stolberg. Budget approved.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Trustee Stolberg made a motion to approve the bills with a second from Treasurer Rogers. Motion carried.

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

Brett Smithson with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance presented the board with the 2024 Visitor's Guide that is currently being distributed. The ICECA also participated in two Reality Fairs organized by CoVantage Credit Union. Juniors and Seniors from WIC and Seniors from FP were given a certain life scenario for which they had to hypothetically purchase life's necessities. The purpose of the fair was to show the students a glimpse into potential life after high school and how their choices could greatly affect them.

Supervisor Johnson reported the Hagerman Lake pump is online with all of the water testing having been completed satisfactorily. The State Inspector was very happy with all three pump houses and our water tank. He only had a few suggestions for improvement. No one from AT&T has been here to inspect the damage that occurred during a culvert installation on Brule Mountain Road that they are claiming is our responsibility. Supervisor Johnson purchased a leaf blower that could be used on the bike trail, etc. The bike trail was plowed after our last snowstorm so a lot of the debris that was on it, is now removed. A leak on Baumgartner Road will be fixed next week. Four trees need to be removed by the Hagerman Lake well house. Two quotes were acquired: one for \$1,000 from MRS Tree Service and one for \$1,200 from Limbwalker's Tree Service. It was decided to have MRS Tree Service do the job.

Resident, John Nieminen, inquired if the Golden Lake Trail project was going to be done this summer. Supervisor Isaacson confirmed that it is on the schedule.

Clerk Christensen reported that there will be EV for the August and November elections. All elections with State or Federal candidates on the ballot require EV. Payroll will be cut for the last time in Fund Balance on April 26th. BS&A will then extract it and it will be recreated in BS&A as a learning tool.

The auditor is completing our audit and our Assessor, Mari Negro, reported that everything is going good.

Stambaugh Township clean-up day is scheduled for Saturday, June 29th.

Supervisor Isaacson stated that the damage that occurred to the Fire Department building as a result of the house explosion will be assessed and repairs will be made.

Trustee Pangrazzi reported that Dale Stromberg did a great job on cleaning, stripping, and refinishing the floor in the hall. He is willing to come back to redo "wear" areas if they surface.

Trustee Stolberg stated that a Rep from Highline attended the road commission's recent meeting and reported that the installation of fiber optic should be completed this year in the county.

Supervisor Isaacson read the zoning permits.

The next township meeting will be held on May 8, 2024.

Trustee Stolberg made a motion to adjourn with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi and Treasurer Rogers.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

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The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on May 8, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

The minutes were read from the April 10, 2024, meeting and accepted as read with a correction noted.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to approve the bills with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

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

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance announced a new Fast Track Grant cycle. This grant will offer up to \$2,500 for a start-up business. Application deadline to apply is June 3, 2024, by noon. To date, 10 Iron County businesses have been awarded funding through this grant. The calendar of events is filled for the year with the addition of the UP Firefighters Tournament on July 26-28. The last Business After Hours for the season took place at the VFW Post with a good attendance. A 90 minute program will be presented by the MSU Ext. at the WID Library on May 29, 2024, regarding short-term rental policy options. Registration and a \$30 fee are required to attend.

Supervisor Isaacson stated that he hadn't heard anymore from Dave Johnson with River Country Estates who filed a signed complaint regarding a neighbor's barking dogs. However, residents on Meadow View Drive and Christy Lane were present to complain about their neighbor's bear hunting dogs that bark day and night. They stated that the dogs are chained and caged. Supervisor Isaacson read the township's ordinance regarding barking dogs. He stated that the issue will be looked into and the owner's will be issued a warning.

Resident Patricia O'Donnell complained of low water pressure at her residence. Supervisor Johnson explained it was a result of the line set up. She also said she has a problem with water runoff from the road when it rains. Supervisor Isaacson stated that was an issue to discuss with the Road Commission.

Resident Mary Wurzer inquired as to who was responsible to remove dead trees on the side of the road that are dangerous. Supervisor Isaacson asked if they were in the right of way or on personal property.

Supervisor Johnson reported that the dangerous trees by Hagerman Lake and Holmes Park have been removed and the bike path had been swept. He has not heard anything from AT&T regarding the damage that occurred during a culvert installation on Brule Mountain Road. The conference he attended in Escanaba went well. Restoration clean-up will start from the winter projects/repairs that were completed.

Supervisor Isaacson said the Hill Road well house will be open to the public to see next month prior to our meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Spring clean-up for the township is scheduled for Saturday, June 29th at the hall from 8 am to noon.

Clerk Christensen reported that there are a number of hall rentals coming up.

Supervisor Isaacson read the zoning permits.

The next township meeting will be held on June 12, 2024.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

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The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on June 12, 2024, 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 and Trustees Pangrazzi and Stolberg in attendance. Clerk Christensen was absent. Also present was Water Supervisor, Wyatt Johnson.

The minutes were read by Trustee Pangrazzi from the May 8, 2024, meeting and accepted as read.

Supervisor Isaacson read the bills for the month which were approved.

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

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance said he would be able to announce which businesses would be the recipients of the Fast Track Grant in approximately a week.

Patti Peretto reported that a boat landing grant was received for improvements at the Chicaugon Lake boat landing to include bathrooms, fish cleaning stations, and a new dock. The boat landing will be closed at the end of July.

Russ Johnson has been cutting the bike trail with the riding lawn mower.

Pump house open house went well and the building is looking good.

Brule Mountain Road should be completed by the end of the week. It is a tremendous improvement from the previous existing road.

Resident, John Nieminen, stated that he was not happy with the black top job that Bacco had done on the Golden Lake Trail and had pictures in support of his comments. Supervisor Isaacson said he would talk to Brad at the Road Commission to see if the issues can be fixed.

Clerk Christensen is working on pre-election duties, the new BS&A Software and audit recommendations.

Chicaugon Lake Association requested funds for milfoil abatement. Trustee Stolberg made a motion to give \$7,000 towards it, with a second from Treasurer Rogers. Motion carried.

The annual spring clean-up will take place on Saturday, June 29th, from 8 am to noon. It is being promoted on Facebook, with an ad in the Reporter and signage placed around the township.

There have been few campers at Holmes Park so far. The Windsor Center is doing well and the Fire Department is preparing for their upcoming Firemen's Tournament.

Treasurer Rogers contacted BS&A for upgrades to her modules. She will provide more information regarding credit card payment options at no cost to the township.

Hall rentals have been numerous and the renters have been doing a good job cleaning up the hall.

Supervisor Isaacson read the building permits.

The next township meeting will be held on July 10, 2024.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen with the assistance of Trustee Pangrazzi

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on July 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Roll call was taken with Supervisor Isaacson, Clerk Christensen, Treasurer Rogers and Trustees Pangrazzi and Stolberg in attendance. Absent because of a waterline issue was Water Supervisor, Wyatt Johnson.

The minutes were read by Clerk Christensen from the June 12, 2024, meeting and accepted as read.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to approve the bills with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

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

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance reported that the City of Crystal Falls unanimously approved the development agreement with S.C. Swiderski for the housing development. Also, Crystal Falls will take advantage of a low interest loan through InvestUP's Build Up program for new road construction and utilities extension. The ICECA also received three applications for the 1st round of the Fast Grant Program. Recipients will be announced in August. July will be a busy month of events and celebrations.

Resident, Mary Wurzer, was concerned about the washout by the new culvert on North Hill Road. Supervisor Isaacson said he would talk to the Road Commission about it.

Resident, Dan Germic, was inquiring about the water shutoff during the day on Stanley and Camp Lakes and his concern that the water pressure was not normal. Supervisor Isaacson stated the shut off was a result of a waterline reroute on Cataldo Road.

In the future, a posting will be placed on social media sites regarding water shutoffs to help make the public aware.

Golden Lake Trail and Brule Mountain Road are completed.

Clerk Christensen reported that absentee applications and ballots were being processed for the August 6th election. Election training was provided at the Courthouse by the BOE and in Marquette through the MAMC.

Treasurer Rogers state that Bates Township is currently using the new BS&A payment program which will be set up to allow residents to pay taxes. Utilities will be processed through this plan after the first of the year.

Milfoil has been found in Stanley Lake. Over 800 pounds was pulled in one afternoon. It is expected to spread fast because of the shallowness of the lake.

Spring clean-up in the Township went well with a good turnout of residents utilizing the opportunity.

Holmes Park rentals are picking up.

Eugene Pellizzaro reported on the ongoing situation at the Windsor Center with Dawn Pisoni. He feels that the situation involves more than the shoes that were taken by Ms. Pisoni. Supervisor Isaacson asked what punishment was going to be set. No decision has been made regarding this matter. Supervisor Isaacson made a motion for a 3 day suspension without pay and review of the lease agreement language to limit Ms. Pisoni's access to the rented rooms. Trustee Stolberg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer Rogers has her BS&A module upgrades scheduled. She is going to try to have them re-scheduled for a time not during tax season.

Supervisor Isaacson asked Eugene Pellizzaro if he would serve on the Windsor Center Board for one more year. He agreed.

Supervisor Isaacson read the building permits.

The next township meeting will be held on August 14, 2024.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen with the assistance of Trustee Pangrazzi

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The minutes were read by Clerk Christensen from the July 10, 2024, meeting and accepted as read.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Trustee Stolberg made a motion to approve the bills with a second from Treasurer Rogers. Motion carried.

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

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance reported that the City of Crystal Falls received four bids for the construction of a new road & extension of utilities with Danielson Contracting out of Baraga as the winning bidder. Four apps were originally received for the Fast Track Grant Program—one was withdrawn and one declined to receive the grant money at this time. Into the Wild—a full service bike shop in Iron River and The Dragonfly Store—a thrift shop in Caspian were the recipients. July was an extremely busy month with multiple, successful events. August brings us the Iron County Fair and Humongous Fungus Fest to round out the summer. Fall activities are coming up and the Farmer's Market should see an increase in activity as produce becomes ready for harvesting.

Resident, John Nieminen, inquired about the progress on the fiber optic project. Supervisor Isaacson stated that he had not heard any more on it

Supervisor Johnson reported that the waterline reroute by Cataldo Drive is completed and the generator has been set in place at Indian Lake. The annual water testing will be done and an inspection of our water tower is scheduled for September 4th.

The new bathrooms at Chicaugon Lake have been started and are being put in a different location than the old ones. Leaks on some of the service lines have been fixed and broken meters have been switched out with new ones.

Also working on the State report for waterline connects and existing materials in use.

Supervisor Isaacson reported the 2025 overlay for W. Brule Lake Road is scheduled in conjunction with some work on W. Hagerman Lake Road.

Clerk Christensen stated that the August 6th election went fairly smoothly. Stambaugh Township had 27 EV, down from our 33 from last year. Overall across the UP, EV was very low with less than 1% of voter turnout in all reporting counties.

Election wages totaled \$2,858.80 for two days of EV and Election Day.

A Zoning Meeting will be scheduled in the fall to address cell tower ordinance, short term rentals and solar.

Treasurer Rogers reported that her BS&A module upgrades have been delayed to March after tax season. The online credit card payment setup was outlined.

Trustee Stolberg made a motion to approve the opening of an account at Miners State Bank for the purpose of using it as the credit card payments clearing account. These online payments will be at no cost to the Township as the 2.8% processing fee is charged to the payee. Motion was seconded by Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

Supervisor Isaacson read the building permits.

The next township meeting will be held on September 11, 2024.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen

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

The minutes were read by Clerk Christensen from the August 14, 2024, meeting and accepted as read.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to approve the bills with a second from Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

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

Treasurer Rogers will check interest rates at Miners State Bank and CoVantage Credit Union to move \$142,000 from the General Fund to the account with higher interest.

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance reported that site work for the utilities and road will begin starting next week for the Crystal Falls Housing Development project. Also, the first phase for the New Porter, LLC will be the installation of a new roof and painting of cupolas on the Porter School. All of the summer events across the county were successful with increased attendance.

A discussion took place regarding an increase in wages for our employees, Wyatt & Russ Johnson, Board of Review, Zoning Administrator, Board of Appeals, Planning Commission and Election Chairman and Workers. Trustee Stolberg stated that employees needed to be compensated and made a motion for a 6% raise with a second from Treasurer Rogers. Motion carried. The raises will be effective as of August 1, 2024, for the employees and as of September 1, 2024, for everyone else.

Supervisor Johnson reported that our water tank inspection took place in early September and was done with a drone to determine any deterioration that may have occurred. Inspection results were good. The annual water testing is completed and we are now waiting for results. A new shutoff valve will be added on Marinello Road by the Raymond's property to limit the residents without water during a repair. We purchase a new "used" meter pit from the City of Iron River for \$650 and sold our old one to Osterlund Excavating.

The boat landing project by Chicaugon Lake is completed.

The Zoning Board will be meeting to discuss a perspective cell tower ordinance, short term rental and solar guidelines that may need to be adopted.

Supervisor Isaacson read the building permits.

The next township meeting will be held on October 9, 2024.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

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The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on October 9, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

The minutes were read by Clerk Christensen from the September 11, 2024, meeting and accepted as read.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Trustee Stolberg made a motion to approve the bills with a second from Treasurer Rogers. Motion carried.

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

Residents of River Country Estates complained again of their neighbor's dogs barking all day. The owner has the dogs for bear hunting, but is seldom at the property. Supervisor Isaacson stated that the Zoning Administrator would give him a warning. If no change results, our Attorney will be contacted and a fine will be assessed.

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance reported that the site work for the utilities and road has not begun for the Crystal Falls Housing Development, but is still scheduled to be completed this fall. Also, the new roof for the New Porter, LLC is being worked on and the power is now hooked up. There was a great attendance for the Harvest & Haunt event with 2,500 to 3,000 attendees.

Rogene & Elliott Carlson voiced concern over treating their fields after receiving a letter from the State. They use 100% organic by-product from a paper mill that has been shown to be safe to be used by well head areas. Supervisor Isaacson stated that with the State requiring more in-depth reporting on our water system, that we need to make sure we are in compliance.

Supervisor Isaacson reported that our water ordinance with the changes will be published in the Reporter. Also, the cemetery contact information has been updated on our website.

Clerk Christensen reported that 240 absentee ballots have been sent to voters to date with one being rejected because of voter death. Voters are calling with a lot of questions regarding the election. EV begins October 26th and runs through November 3rd at Iron River City Hall. Regular election will be on November 5th at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

Discussion regarding the creation of a land division application and approval process took place. These applications would be available from our Assessor and Supervisor. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to create this application with a second from Trustee Stolberg. Motion carried.

Our Zoning Administrator, Dennis Christensen, will be retiring from his position at year end. Rick Rogers has been in training and will likely take over.

A Zoning meeting will take place on October 24th to discuss cell tower ordinance and short term rentals.

A DNR grant application is available regarding milfoil removal. If received, it could be split between Chicaugon and Stanley Lake for use.

Treasurer Rogers will be attending a seminar in Marquette on November 19th regarding regulations and changes with taxes.

Trustee Pangrazzi can now post on the Township's Facebook page to provide information to the public regarding any issues or events that occur in the Township.

Supervisor Isaacson read the building permits.

The next township meeting will be held on November 13, 2024.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on November 13, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

The minutes were read by Clerk Christensen from the October 9, 2024, meeting and accepted as read.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Trustee Stolberg made a motion to approve the bills with a second from Treasurer Rogers. Motion carried.

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

Zach Hautala with the Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance reported that the site work for the utilities and road was started for the Crystal Falls Housing Development. Also, the new roof for the New Porter, LLC is completed and the electrical power has been installed. The owner of Green Pharm has made an offer on the current Iron River City Hall building. He is interested in making it into apartments. No action was made regarding this offer. The Iron County Visitor's Guide will be published the end of January to take advantage of distribution with upcoming Rec Shows. Small Business Saturday will take place on November 30th with a number of local businesses offering promotions.

Patti Peretto reported that all is going well with the Board of Commissioners and that District #2 was in need of a Commissioner. The position will be advertised in January. She was also questioning why the blight farm on Baumgartner Road hasn't been cleaned up. Supervisor Isaacson stated that the residents have been notified regarding this problem.

Resident, Mary Wurzer, said she had called the Road Commission regarding the culvert on N. Hill Road. The Road Commission repaired the potholes. Supervisor Isaacson stated that the culvert area will most likely be blacktopped next summer after the culvert had settled.

Supervisor Isaacson said that our Constable position will be vacant as of 11/20/24. An ad will be run in the Reporter if no one is appointed for the job.

Supervisor Johnson stated that he has been working on the state mandated materials inventory report to determine if lead pipe is being used in any of our hookups. Letters will be sent to customers who have not been inspected for lead. The tower inspection report found the tower to be in good to fair condition with some suggestions for improvements: adding a painter's hand railing and a gasket around the door. A new tap-in was done on Scott Lake Road where the owner is building a barndominium.

Phase #1 for Hagerman Lake Road was approved to be done next summer.

Clerk Christensen reported that Election Day voting went fairly smooth. There were some problems with the Electronic Poll book freezing and having to be rebooted and with the tear-off area with the ballot stubs that created an issue feeding ballots into the tabulator. Voter turnout was 65%.

A Zoning meeting to discuss a short-term rentals ordinance will take place on December 4th at 6:30 p.m.

Brian Lounsbury is interested in being on the Zoning Board. Supervisor Isaacson made a motion to accept him on the board with a second from Treasurer Rogers. Motion approved.

Supervisor Isaacson read the building permits.

Clerk Christensen stated that the West Iron District Library Board sent a letter regarding Karen Anderson's term ending and her interest in continuing on the board. Motion was made by Treasurer Rogers to have her continue with a second by Trustee Pangrazzi. Motion carried.

The next meeting will take place on December 11th with our Christmas Party to follow.

Supervisor Isaacson made a motion to adjourn with a second from Treasurer Rogers. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on December 10, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

The minutes were read by Clerk Christensen from the November 13, 2025, meeting and accepted as read.

Clerk Christensen read the bills for the month. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to approve the bills with a second from Trustee Stolberg. Motion carried.

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

Zach Hautala with ICECA reported that the Shop Local/Shop Small Campaign was successful with 28 Iron County businesses participating. There are currently three applications that are being evaluated for Round 2 of the Fast Track Grant program. The ad sales continue for the 2026 Visitors' Guide with prices remaining the same as in 2025.

Supervisor Isaacson asked the Board if they were willing to place the same ad in the Chamber's Visitors' Guide as in the past. The Board unanimously agreed to do so.

River Country Estates residents were informed that Attorney Mark Tousignant has been hired to address the barking dog issue that has been ongoing. Supervisor Isaacson stated that the owner of the dogs has paid the \$100 fine and now has a timeline to address the complaints. If the complaints are not addressed, the process will continue.

Jill Walsh, the Short-Term Rental Coordinator, continues to work on compiling a list of rentals in Stambaugh Township. She has sent letters to owners of known rentals, but has had little response.

John Neiminen suggested scheduling a zoning board meeting to address the ongoing issues.

Discussion took place regarding Christmas bonuses for Wyatt and Russell Johnson. Trustee Stolberg made a motion for the 2025 bonus to be \$125.00 each. Treasurer Rogers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson reported that the new truck has been at Town & Country Ford in Quinnesec, but that the box has not arrived. It is expected to be delivered any day and then will be installed. Thirty-nine new road signs and 50 posts are ready to be put in place. Awaiting on Miss Dig for the go ahead.

Supervisor, Scott Tarsi, with Iron River Township contacted Supervisor Johnson regarding the prospect of a cost share agreement for a new excavator with the townships. All participants of the agreement could use the excavator for their repair projects.

2026 perspective road repairs are for South Brule overlay, Ranch Road ditching and an overlay on Cataldo Drive.

Supervisor Isaacson stated that the Zoning Administrator position will need to be filled with Rick Rogers resignation. Mr. Rogers is willing to train the new Administrator.

Our Fire Department received a new fire truck.

Supervisor Isaacson read the zoning permits.

Treasurer Rogers stated that she is in need of a new Deputy Treasurer as MTA does not approve of a spouse in that supporting position. This information will be placed on our website and our Facebook page.

Resident, Jim Chartrand also said there is a need for another BOR member as only he and Robert Cole are currently on the Board. If one of them could not attend a meeting, there would be no quorum.

Trustee Stolberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Treasurer Rogers. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen