

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Isaacson on August 13, 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. Also present was Water Supervisor, Wyatt Johnson.

The minutes were read by Clerk Christensen from the July 9, 2025, meeting and accepted as read with the name change to River Country Estates.

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.

Numerous residents from River Country Estates were present again to address the continuing problem with the barking dog issue in their area. Our Zoning Administrator, Rick Rogers, red tagged the property which requires the property owner to resolve the issue in 30 days. That timeline is up on Friday, August 15th. If it is not resolved, our attorney will be contacted to proceed with a resolution for the problem and/or fine. The Sheriff's office has been contacted and they state that they have no authority regarding this issue. Patti Peretto will contact the animal control officer to determine what procedures can be taken in resolution. Supervisor Isaacson has been in contact with UPPAWS but received no response back. An ordinance could be established for the township which would prevent this problem from existing.

Discussion regarding keeping 911 in Iron County was led by Patti Peretto. 911 employs six full time and four part time employees. While the millage passed to continue the service in the county, there is a \$40,000 deficit for the service. Request for Proposal is due on August 25th. A meeting will be held on September 4th at 6 p.m. regarding 911 with the advisory committee and county board to review options. Supervisor Isaacson will send a letter of support to the Board of Commissioners to keep 911 local.

Zach Hautala with ICECA reported that the first round of the Fast Track Grant program for \$2,500 each was awarded to Liminal Restaurant & Lounge, Ottawa Trading Company and Iron County Paddlers. With the favorable weather, our local summer events saw an increase in attendance. For the second year since Covid, the Humongous Fungus Fest volunteers created a 10' by 10' pizza which sold out with the proceeds raised from the sale going to the Locker Lunch programs for Iron County. Further, a letter of intent has been submitted to the Michigan Office of Rural Prosperity for a Rural Readiness Grant.

Supervisor Isaacson read a letter of resignation from Eugene Pellizzaro regarding his position on the Windsor Center board. Jon Ahlberg submitted a letter of interest in replacing Mr. Pellizzaro. Treasurer Rogers made a motion to have Mr. Ahlberg represent the township on the board with a second from Trustee Stolberg. Motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson reported that the hole in the bike path was repaired by Mud Tech for \$450 and that the new signs have been put in place along the path to replace the stolen ones. Campers continue to

camp at Holmes Park. New water meters need to be ordered and the propane tanks still need to be exchanged so that the township is in ownership of all of their tanks.

The end of Baumgartner Road has been completed with a new culvert in place and blacktop.

Our WIC Fire Department won the firemen's tourney with a job well done.

Treasurer Rogers reported that there are some ongoing issues with the online payment program for tax and utility that BSAOnline is working to correct.

Clerk Christensen reported that the August election went well, although very low voter turnout. The road tax millage renewal passed, however.

Trustee Pangrazzi stated that the issues with the floor tiles seem to be better with the consistent running of the A/C and the dehumidifier.

Supervisor Isaacson read the zoning permits.

Trustee Pangrazzi made a motion to adjourn with a second from Trustee Stolberg. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 10, 2025.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Christensen