

STAMBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Stambaugh Township Board was called to order by Clerk Christensen on November 13, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stambaugh Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Roll call was taken with Clerk Christensen, Treasurer Rogers, and Trustees Pangrazzi and Stolberg in attendance. Supervisor Isaacson and Water Supervisor Wyatt Johnson were not in attendance.

The minutes were read by Clerk Christensen from the October 8, 2025, 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.

Mike Staudt with the Stanley Lake Association gave a recap of the 2025 milfoil abatement issues in Stanley Lake. From July to the middle of August, Angie Stine and volunteers pulled 944 lbs. of milfoil. On July 14—15, 1446 lbs. of milfoil was pulled by Many Waters, LLC and 3-4 divers. Many Waters, LLC was also hired to conduct a EWM (Eurasian water milfoil) survey to create a detailed map of the areas of milfoil, but the survey has not been received yet.

Zach Hautala with ICECA reported that the Christmas in Lights event will take place around IR on December 6<sup>th</sup>. The Crystal Falls Business Association's Crystal Christmas will take place on December 13<sup>th</sup>, and the Iron County Museum will celebrate their 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Tree Galleria & Basket Raffle on November 29-December 14<sup>th</sup> at the Iron County Museum in Caspian. Shop Small Saturday is a small business/support your local businesses will be held on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Business after hours (BAH) was held in October and was well attended with roughly 70 attendees at the Alpha Brewery. The next BAH will be at the Iron Co Museum on December 2<sup>nd</sup> in collaboration with their Christmas Tree Galleria. More BAH's details from Jan-April 2026 will be announced. 2026 Visitor Guides are planned to be in by mid-January 2026 with 20,000 being published. They will be distributed around Iron County, the UP and Northern/Central Wisconsin.

There was no update regarding the barking dogs' issue at River Country Estates. A new dog ordinance is in the very early stage of being written.

Transfer Station is closed per RCE resident. Phelps and Eagle River, however, have recycling sites. WUPPDR is working on a recycling and solid waste plan for the six western UP counties. Waste Management has not been very helpful with assistance or information.

Craig Richardson from Wickwire talked about resubmitting a letter to apply again for MDNR fisheries Habitat Grant for Wagner Creek culvert removal & bridge replacement. Craig will email it to Clerk Christensen.

Darin and Sara Long of River Country Estates spoke in defense of Zach, the property owner with the ongoing dog issue. They reported that the dogs bark very little, and are fed and watered daily and that Zach resides at this property. He stated that there were never 18 dogs on the property, in fact, seven of

the dogs have been sold with only three remaining. Clerk Christensen encouraged him to have Zach reach out to the township board. Darin also asked about the dog ordinance and the township's due diligence process. Clerk Christensen said we aren't far enough into the writing of the ordinance to answer any questions.

Resident Jim Chartrand mentioned that there is a street light out on Hagerman Lake Road near the east/west corner of the split.

Jill Walsch, the short-term rental coordinator, gave an update. She is compiling a list of properties for the short-term rentals. Ordinance #33 is the short-term rental ordinance. Treasurer Rogers provided Jill with a list of the addresses from the tax database. Zach Hautala gave Jill some information of possible online options to get information. The short-term rental information will be put on our Facebook page and will also be on the 2025 winter tax bills.

Mary Wurzer asked if there was a report on the Windsor Center. We had no update per Clerk Christensen and Jon Ahlberg will be contacted for updates in the future.

Clerk Christensen read the zoning permits.

Treasurer Rogers made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Trustee Stolberg. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Treasurer Rogers