

SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Soo Township Community Center
August 11, 2021

Board Members Present:

Larry Perron
Don Kucharzyk
Jim Callon
Cheryl Thorsen
Meg Stevens

The August Board Meeting was called to order on August 11, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Larry Perron, following the Pledge of Allegiance. Pam Chipman was in attendance.

In Public Comments a lengthy discussion was had with Mary Rawlings and her hired contractor, John Lechner. Mary was reminded that a judgment to clean up her property was entered in February 2021, and the work was not finished to date.

Jeff Killips gave the Fire Department Report. Two of his co-workers joined him to ask for a new fire truck ASAP as their old pump truck 401 is not working as it should and is too old to be fixed. They also asked to have racks installed on one of the trucks but a new truck would be a better option. Larry Perron asked them to bring back a quote and pictures for two new trucks with a recommendation which one they would prefer.

Changes to last month's minutes were listed **and Cheryl Thoresen made a motion to accept them as amended. Larry Perron seconded and the motion was approved.**

In the Treasurer's Report Cheryl discussed Clean Up Days proposed for the 1st week of October.

Jim Callon gave the Planning Commission Report. A local resident would like to open an Air BNB in her home but short term rentals are not clearly addressed in our ordinances. Justin Savoy is running a home-based business that Chuck Palmer will research before the next planning commission meeting. Jamie Myers' property is beginning to look like a junk yard and Chuck will send her a letter to clean up her property. Bob Cook on Killackey Road has a drainage problem.

Response to the planning commission's recent resident survey was light, with only 10-12% responding.

In the Attorney Report Chuck discussed the ARP application which was submitted July 27. No word is available on when the money will be forthcoming. The Rawlings property was discussed again. Mr. Williams on Riverside is refusing any changes. The Cemetery Ordinance changes will be discussed next month.

Larry Perron gave the Supervisor's Report, stating that he received many calls last month regarding fireworks, neighbors burning. He gave rules for how to deal with neighbors illegally burning. He also discussed drainage issues on M129, Killackey Road and 5 Mile Road that are to begin soon and be completed sometime this fall. Josh Gray was sent a letter recently regarding a suspected zoning violation or nuisance ordinance violation as he may be doing commercial work on his property. Howard Huff again has many vehicles on his property. The contract that was agreed on with the city last month for

sewer connection to the new EUPTA building is to be delivered to the city tomorrow. Website updates are needed. Additional discussion of a new fire truck followed as well as the marijuana house. There was a vote taken to accept the resignation of the clerk. **Don Kucharczyk made the motion and Cheryl Thoresen seconded it. A roll call vote was taken and all were in favor.**

Don made a motion to accept the monthly bills and Jim seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Meg Stevens
Soo Township Clerk