

SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Soo Township Hall
Sep 13, 2023

PRESENT

Larry Perron
Allen Walther
Krista Broos-Adams
Jim Callon
Don Kucharczyk

ABSENT

The September monthly Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Larry Perron, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Killips, Pam Chipman and Charles Palmer were in attendance. Member of the public, Dan Smith, Amy Scott-Kronemeyer, Bev Eavoe, David Martin and Nancy Martin were also present.

Public Comment:

-Dan Smith, CPA, presented his audit of the Soo Township financial programs to the board.

-Amy Scott-Kronemeyer presented an overview of the Sault Schools Bond Proposal that is on the Nov ballot.

-Members of the Radar Rd. subdivision area brought continued concerns over the gravel pit operations. Larry Perron discussed the options the Township has and assured them that he is continuing to pursue a remedy.

Board Meeting Minutes:

-The Aug 9, 2023 regular meeting minutes were discussed.

-A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting minutes of Aug 9, 2023. Motion carried.

Fire Dept report (Jeff Killips):

-3 fire run reported for the month.

-Reported that Soo Township Fire Dept had received \$10000 grant from the State of Michigan. Paperwork has been submitted to receive the funds.

Assessors Report (Pam Chipman):

-Nothing to report.

Clerk's Report (Allen Walther):

-Fall Clean-up Days are Oct 2-6, P. Chipman will deliver resident listing to GFL.

-Nov election work is underway. Feb/March election will be the first of the "9 days of voting". Gave a report on the counties plan to hold the 9 days of voting for all townships here at the Soo Township Hall. Formal plan will be presented to the board next month.

-Recommend the following budget adjustments for current FY:

-None

Treasurer's Report (Krista Broos-Adams):

-The tax account balance is \$3075.30.

-Last day for paying of taxes is tomorrow (9/14).

Planning Commission Report (Jim Callon):

-Public meeting for the draft master plan is Nov 9, 2023, this will also be the regular meeting for the Planning Commission due to the election.

-Planning Comm discussed a dilapidated home on Ridge Rd. C. Palmer will send a letter to owner.

Permit Administrator (Jim Callon):

-7 building permits were issued in the last month. Recently issued a sign permit to "Carpet Mart".

Attorney's Report (Charles Palmer):

- Discussed the status of all ongoing legal cases within the township.
- Discussed Radar Rd. issues with trucks. Will be looking for other Townships that may have ordinances for gravel pit operation.

Supervisor's Report (Larry Perron):

- Discussed ongoing property clean-ups within the Twp.
- Discussed Radar Rd. gravel pit issues. Will attempt to meet with pit owners again and will also be investigating the possibility of a township ordinance.
- Road stripping may not be happening this season. County road commission unable to get contractor up here.
- Discussed Mr. Winegard issue. Discussed his credit rating issue, board agrees that no further actions should be taken.
- Discussed Master Plan issues and how to fix them.

Payment Approvals:

J. Callon made a motion and it was supported by D. Kucharczyk to approve the payment of the Aug and Sep (up to 9/13) bills, payroll and payroll taxes as follows:

Aug Payments as of 8/31:

Aug checks for bills: Check#'s 12370-12389, 12400-12412, 12417-12423 and (4) ET's, totaling \$41585.70

Aug Payroll checks: Check#'s 12363-12369, 12390-12399, 12413-12416 totaling \$16586.00

Aug Payroll taxes: US Treasury-\$2697.27 (ET on 8/15), MI DOT \$539.30 (ET on 8/08) totaling \$3236.57

Total Expenses as of 8/31: \$61408.27

Sep Payments as of 9/13:

Sep checks for bills: Check#'s 12431-12450, 12461-12467 and (1) ET, totaling \$21326.10

Sep Payroll checks: Check#'s 12424-12430, 12451-12460 totaling \$12495.56

Sep Payroll taxes: US Treasury-\$4919.64 (ET on 9/15), MI DOT \$913.46 (ET on 9/12) totaling \$5833.10

Total Expenses as of 9/13: \$39654.76

A roll call vote was held and all board members approved, the motion passed to pay the AuG and Sep (partial) bills, payroll, and payroll taxes as presented.

J. Callon made a motion and it was supported by D. Kucharczyk to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.

Allen Walther, Township Clerk