

**Sugar Island Township Board Meeting**  
**March 10, 2021**  
**MINUTES**

1. Supervisor Mark Eitrem called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Supervisor Mark Eitrem lead the Reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance;
3. Roll Call Taken, Present were, Trustee Ben Repa, Trustee Kathy Noble, Supervisor Mark Eitrem, Clerk Nancy Andary, Treasurer Ann Rosenbum; all present;
4. Changes/Additions to the Agenda – Ambulance Captain Beckham asked to make a presentation regarding the Soo Tribe 2%; Trustee Noble made a Motion to except the changes to the Agenda, Trustee Repa 2<sup>nd</sup> the Motion, Motion passed 5/0;
5. Minutes: Minutes February 9, 2021 were approved with no corrections. \*Supervisor Eitrem wanted it noted on the record that it was his intent to abstain from the Resolution Vote Land Split for Dorothy Eitrem. Trustee Noble made Motion to pass motion to approve minutes, Trustee Repa 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion, Motion passed 5/0;
6. Correspondence: There were no correspondence;
7. No Public Comments;
8. Treasurer’s Report;

a. General Fund                      \$435,923.83

RESTRICTED FUNDS

b. Road Fund                              \$796,386.90

Fire Fund                                  \$165,974.37

Ambulance Fund                      \$ 82,322.47

Liquor Fund                              \$     505.24

Solid Waste Fund                      \$ 86,148.53

Metro Fund	<u>\$ 5,925.73</u>
TOTAL	\$1,563,187.07

Trustee Kathy Noble made Motion to approve Treasurer Rosenbum's Report, Trustee Ben Repa second Motion, Motion passed 5/0.

9. Unfinished Business:

- a. Identify Volunteers to participate in various committees, there were two, Jeff Middlestead volunteered for Zoning and Board of Appeals, and Peggy Star volunteered for the Personnel Committee.
- b. Discuss Legal Opinion from Attorney, Supervisor Eitrem discussed his conversation with Township's Attorney Charles Palmer stating "that an employee cannot be a member of the Planning Commission." Captain Beckham stepped down from the Planning Commission, leaving a position open.
- c. State of the Union Township Special Board Meeting will be held on March 23, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.
- d. Beginning to plan a public hearing to consider pros and cons of the upcoming millage election in August for Solid Waste and the Ambulance.
- e. Nothing to Report
- f. Read and consider update to Parks and Recreation Ordinance; Trustee Noble Motion made a Motion, Trustee Repa 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion to approve the Parks and Recreation Ordinance. Roll Call Vote taken by Clerk Andary; Treasurer Rosenbum, Aye, Trustee Noble Aye, Trustee Repa Aye, Supervisor Eitrem Aye, Clerk Andary, Aye, Motion Approved 5/0
- g. Supervisor Eitrem talked about the Ditching 2021 ditching projects

10. New Business:

- a. Pay Bills with EFT's and Checks # 11155 through #11219, Trustee Noble made a Motion to pay the Bills, Trustee Repa 2<sup>nd</sup> the Motion, Motions passed 5/0;
- b. Was left blank

11. Department/Committee Reports:

- a. Ambulance Report: Adrienne Beckham reported 9 runs last month, 1 run this month. There is one new hire Rachel Vallad, from Dryden, MI. Captain Beckham also made a Resolution for 2% money from Sault Tribe for Purchase of the LUCAS Equipment. Trustee Repa made a Motion to approve the Resolution as long as the Ambulance gets the full amount for the LUCAS equipment, Trustee Noble 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion, Motion passed 5/0;
- b. Fire Department: Captain Pine reported 0 runs, reported their ice rescue training was a great success. Captain Pine wanted to thank Bill and Candance Sanderson for the use of their property and allowing the fire department access into the water from their property.
- c. Planning Commission: Nothing to Report
- d. Zoning Board of Appeals: Nothing to Report
- e. Board Review: Nothing to Report

12. Election Committee: Nothing to Report

13. Board Member Reports: Supervisor Eitrem introduced Toni Phillips and Dennis McShane from Community Action. They thanked the Township for opening up our Senior luncheons. Mr. Eitrem also thanked Nicole and Earl Rice for doing an excellent job for cleaning the Hall, Mr. Eitrem also thanked Mr. Eric Baron for coming to our meeting.

14. Public Comment: Eric Baron spoke about rural broadband internet, Mr. Baron also reported that Mr. John Damoose will be coming to Sugar Island and spending the day on the Island.

15. Announcements:

- a. Watch for Announcements in Sugar Island Quacker
- b. Watch for Announcements on "I Love Me Some Sugar Island" Facebook site
- c. Watch for Announcements on the Sugar Island Township Website
- d. Soliciting Volunteers for Various Appointments to Personnel and Beautification Committees

16. Adjournment: Clerk Andary made a Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:05 p.m.  
Treasurer Noble 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion, Motion passed 5/0

Respectively submitted by

*Nancy Andary*

Nancy Andary, SI Township Clerk