**SUGAR ISLAND TOWNSHIP**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**December 12, 2023**

1. Supervisor Eitrem called meeting to order at 1900.
2. Supervisor Eitrem led meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll call taken, Supervisor Eitrem-present, Treasurer Brown-present, Trustee Repa-absent, Trustee-Noble-present, and Clerk Behm-Present.
4. Changes/Additions to Agenda-None. Motion made by Trustee Noble to approve the agenda. Seconded by Clerk Behm. Passed 4/0.
5. Clerk Behm made motion to approve minutes as written from November 14, 2023. Seconded by Trustee Noble. Motion passed 4/0.
6. Correspondence
7. Public Comment
8. Treasurer’s report-Fiscal Year 23/24, September 30, 2023
9. General Fund: $212,345.24
10. Restricted Funds
11. ARPA: $39,886.88
12. Road Fund: $454,056.70
13. Fire Fund: $139,556.33
14. Ambulance Fund: $131,011.40
15. Taxes: $1,620.43
16. Solid Waste Fund: $9,824.50
17. Metro Fund: $3,838.31
18. Playground: $3,770.87
19. Youth Group: $37,344.12
20. Petty Cash: $100.00

Total: $1,033,135.08

Trustee Noble made motion to approve Treasurer’s Report, supported by Clerk Behm. Passed 4/0

1. Unfinished Business:
2. Received Bid from McKerchie Septic. Tabled to be revisited in May 2024 in effort to collect more bids.
3. Treasurer Brown made motion to approve the Budget Amendment #2 of 2023-2024, Resolution #11 of 2023. Supported by Clerk Behm.
   1. Supervisor Eitrem: Yes
   2. Clerk Behm: Yes
   3. Treasurer Brown: Yes
   4. Trustee Noble: Yes
   5. Trustee Repa: Absent
   6. Passed 4/0.
4. New Business:
5. Pay Bills with EFT’s and checks#1754-1793. Trustee Noble made motion to approve bills, supported by Clerk Behm. Passed 4/0.
6. Discussed the 18 Million dollar grant awarded to begin work on fiber internet to Sugar Island. Project to start Spring of 2024.
7. Department/Committee Reports:
8. Ambulance Report: 33 runs so far for 2023. 3 runs last month. Motion made by Clerk Behm to hire Dan Rosebaum as a new Medical First Responder. Supported by Supervisor Eitrem. Passed 4/0. Discussion to combine Fire and EMS departments FY 2024-2025.
9. Fire Department Report: 0 run for November. New water pump is in and final check are being completed. Pump should be delivered by beginning of January.
10. Planning Commission-No Report
11. Zoning Board of Appeals- No report
12. Board of Review- 1 issue brought before the board Dec 14, 2023 and resolved.
13. Motion Made by Supervisor Eitrem to holding a meeting with all committee members to solidify the open positions on each committee. Supported by Treasurer Brown. Passed 4/0. Meeting will be posted 48 hours before taking place and will be open to public attendance.
14. Public Comment
15. Board member reports
    1. Motion made by Trustee Noble to create a resolution to place the Island #1 Hiking trails to the township insurance, with a contract with the Harbor Safety Committee that they will be reimbursing the cost of the insurance to the Township. Supported by Treasurer Brown. Passed 3/0 with 1 member abstaining.
    2. There has been the idea of making a sledding hill on 3 mile road, starting at the Music Fest field and ending before S. Westshore. Sault Tribe, private land owners, Sugar Island Youth Group, and Lion’s club are also interested in helping. More ideas and organizing to come. Possibility that the Township will be asked to hold the insurance if sledding hill is constructed.
16. Announcements:
17. Watch for Announcements in the Sugar Island Quacker
18. Watch for Announcements on “I Love me Some Sugar Island” Facebook page.
19. Watch for Announcements on the Sugar Island Township Facebook page.

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1. Motion made by Trustee Noble to adjourn. Seconded by Clerk Behm. Passed 4/0. Meeting adjourned at 2007 hours.

Respectfully submitted by:

Brittany Behm

Sugar Island Township Clerk