

## MINUTES

### SUTTONS BAY TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

JULY 12, 2023, 5:15 P.M.

Suttons Bay Township Office, 95 W. Fourth Street, Suttons Bay, MI 49682  
(There will be a ZOOM site for remote access)

#### CALL TO ORDER

Tom Nixon, Supervisor, called the Suttons Bay Township Board Meeting to order on Wednesday, July 12, 2023, at 5:15 p.m. at the Suttons Bay Township Offices.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Dorothy Petroskey/moved, Debbie Slocombe/supported, to approve the Agenda as presented, motion carried.**

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Dan Strickoff, Leland Twp., commented on Park Supervisor and Herman Park.

Joyce Bahle, Bahle Rd., would like to see financial report on Pickleball.

Bill Crackel, St. Mary's St., re: Pickleball ambassador.

Liz Maheney, Suttons Bay, commented on Park Supervisor

Jim Muennich, Dog Park Ambassador, commented on Park Supervisor.

Hadley Dickinson, Broadway St., commented on Herman Park, Park Supervisor

#### REPORTS

- Treasurer's Report.
- Planning & Zoning - Steve Patmore's Report
- Parks Supervisor - Bill Drozdalski's Report
- Parks & Recreation Committee - Minutes submitted.
- Fire Authority- Bills paid.
- Personnel Committee - Doug Periard and Jean Moe. Tom Nixon was replaced by Jean Moe. Tom Nixon is contact person with ambassadors.

#### OLD BUSINESS

1. Approval of June 14, 2023 Minutes

**Jean Moe/moved, Dorothy Petroskey/supported, to approve the June 14, 2023 Minutes as submitted, motion carried.**

2. Payment of Bills

**Dorothy Petroskey/moved, Debbie Slocombe/supported, to pay the bills in the amount of \$224,248.87, motion carried.**

3. Compensation Adjustments for Deputy Clerk and Office Assistant  
**Tom Nixon/moved, Jean Moe/supported, to pay the current Deputy Clerk \$23.00/hr., and to pay the Office Assistant \$23.00/hr., motion carried. (Dorothy Petroskey abstained from voting)**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Consider Neighborhood Request for a Special Speed Limit Study of Richter Road.

Mark Smith and other neighbors on Richter Road have asked the Township to recommend that a Special Speed Limit Study be done on Richter Road. If the township agrees to recommend the study, a letter would be sent to the Leelanau County Road Commission who passes the recommendation onto the State Police who would schedule a Special Speed Limit Study of Richter Road. Richter Road does not have a speed limit sign which means the speed limit in the portion of the road in the township has a speed limit of 55 mph. The other portion of the road is in the Village which has a speed limit of 25 mph. The part of Richter Road in the township goes from Eckerle Road south to Center Road. There are concerns that trucks travel on the road to and from the water and sewage buildings. There would be no cost to the township with regard to the Study.

**Doug Periard/moved, Dorothy Petroskey/supported, to approve advising the Leelanau County Road Commission that the township received a request to do a Special Speed Limit Study of Richter Road. motion carried.**

2. Resolution No. 10 of 2023 of Support for Peninsula Housing Rural Readiness Grant  
 Peninsula Housing is applying for a Rural Readiness Grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 to gather community input and to plan for the development of affordable housing in the township. The township is being asked to support Peninsula Housing's application for a Grant.

**Tom Nixon/moved, Dorothy Petroskey/supported, to adopt Resolution No. 10 of 2023 of Support for Peninsula Housing Rural Readiness Grant, with a correction to the second line of the Resolution from provide to "will provide". Roll call vote:  
 Yes: Tom Nixon, Jean Moe, Dorothy Petroskey, Doug Periard, Debbie Slocombe.  
 No: None. Resolution adopted.**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Bill Crackel asked about water testing at the township parks.  
 Joyce Bahle commented about Herman Park.  
 Dan Strickland commented on Pickleball ambassadors.

### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Doug Periard said no Planning Commission Meeting in July.  
 Tom Nixon said Tour De Tart is July 21st. Dorothy Petroskey saved the township \$85.00.  
 Dorothy Petroskey recommends that a communication be sent to the public regarding Herman Park.

**ADJOURN**

Tom Nixon adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Minutes by Marge Johnson, Recording Secretary  
Jean Moe, Clerk

**Minutes Approved as-presented on August 9, 2023**