

Standish Township Board

Special Meeting Minutes 12/5/2024 6:30 p.m.

Standish Township Hall 4997 Arenac State Rd. Standish MI 48658

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Township Supervisor Corey Sajdak at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Amy Buttrick, Dustin Cardinal, Corey Sajdek, Melissa Jennings

Absent: none

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS SAID IN UNISON.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Buttrick / Jennings 4 Ayes | 0 Nays Motion Carried

1. Motion to appoint Joseph Raymer Standish Township Treasurer.

Cardinal / Buttrick 4 Ayes / 0 Nays Motion Carried Roll Call:

Buttrick, Cardinal, Sajdak, Jennings - Yes

Sajdak gave the Oath of Office to Raymer for Treasurer position.

2. Clerk - Amy Buttrick - provided her letter of resignation effective immediately Motion to accept Amy Buttrick's letter of resignation as Township Clerk effective immediately.

Cardinal / Raymer 5 Ayes | 0 Nays Motion Carried

Roll Call: Buttrick, Cardinal, Sajdak, Jennings, Raymer - Yes

Board vacancy created at the clerk position

Motion to appoint Melissa Jennings Standish Township Clerk

Cardinal | Raymer 4 Ayes | 0 Nays Motion Carried

Roll Call: Cardinal, Sajdak, Jennings, Raymer - Yes

Sajdak gave the Oath of Office to Jennings for Clerk position

Board vacancy created at the trustee position

Motion to appoint Amy Buttrick Standish Township Trustee

Cardinal I Raymer 4 Ayes I O Nays Motion Carried

Roll Call: Cardinal, Sajdak, Jennings, Raymer - Yes

Sajdak gave the Oath of Office to Buttrick for Trustee position

3. Sajdak updated the Board on his search for a new Township Attorney.

Motion to hire Robert Eppert as Standish Township Attorney, replacing Adam Flory / **Smith**& Boville.

Buttrick / Raymer 5 Ayes I O Nays Motion Carried

Roll Call: Buttrick, Cardinal, Sajdak, Jennings, Raymer - Yes

4. Motion to hire Kelly Rifembark as Standish Township Assessor, per the terms of the contract provided through April 2026, subject to review by the township's legal counsel.

Jennings / Buttrick 5 Ayes / O Nays Motion Carried

Roll Call: Buttrick, Cardinal, Sajdak, Jennings, Raymer - Yes

5. Motion to appoint Mary Jo Bender, Francine Willett, and Judith Valley to the Standish Township Board of Review.

Cardinal / Raymer 5 Ayes I O Nays Motion Carried

Roll Call: Buttrick, Cardinal, Sajdak, Jennings, Raymer - Yes

Sajdak gave the Oath of Office to Mary Jo Bender, Francine Willett, and Judith Valley for Board of Review positions.

6. Sajdak made a motion to have Melissa Jennings and Joseph Raymer, and their deputies Casey Gwizdala and Amanda Meylan added to One Township bank accounts at Independent Bank, Horizon Bank, and Huntington Bank, and also to have Sue Kohn,

Taylor Kohn, Shara Klenk, and Stefanie removed from those accounts.

Sajdak / Cardinal 5 Ayes I O Nays Motion Carried

Roll Call: Buttrick, Cardinal, Sajdak, Jennings, Raymer - Yes

7. Cardinal reached out to possible sextons for our cemetery. No one is interested so far. Waiting to hear back from one person. Sajdak has someone who could be used on a temporary/emergency basis if necessary.

8. Jennings reached out to Shumaker Technology Group and got some options/information. More research to be done before a decision is made.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Board open to public questions and comments.

Several comments and questions were received from the public body.

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Need Board of Review members for 2-year term starting January 1, 2025

Need Planning Commission members

Need Zoning Board of Appeals members

Sue Kohn's name and tax collection hours on tax bills. Make checks out to Standish Township Treasurer. Tax collection hours may change. Drop Box at hall for tax payments
Checks only in drop box, no cash. Looking into the feasibility of setting up tax payments at Bank.

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Jennings / Butrick 5 Ayes / 0 Nays

Motion carried

Approved: 1-14-2025
Cory Sizle

~~Supervisor~~
Supervisor

Melissa Jennings

~~Clerk~~
Clerk