

**Approved 6.14.23** Minutes of May 25, 2023 Special St. James Board Meeting  
St James Township Hall 37735 Michigan Ave  
Beaver Island MI 49782  
5:30 pm

**Present:**

Vicky Fingeroot, Paul Cole, Roberta Welke, Julie Gillespie, Diane McDonough

**Absent:** None

**General:**

Supervisor Welke called to order a Special Meeting of the St. James Township Board at 5:30 pm on May 25, 2023

**Agenda:**

**Finance and Administration:**

**Moved** by McDonough, **supported** by Cole to fund non-regular payments. **Motion carried unanimous**

**Moved** by Welke, **supported** by McDonough to approve a 5% cola and a 1% merit pay increase for Joel Meintsma, maintenance director. **Motion carried unanimous**

**Moved** by Gillespie, **supported** by Cole to authorize the supervisor to apply for and if awarded, sign a contract for blight solution implementations from the Land Bank. **Motion carried unanimous**

Discussion on possible use of townhall property for Farmer's Market. Insurance would need to be provided

**Public Works:**

Discussion on Critical Sand Dune Area permit audit, more work needs to be done.

Discussion on possible sale of township property to the Beaver Island District Library.

Update on permit to close roads for downtown events.

Update on Charlevoix County Commissioners meeting on Beaver Island.

Update on Charlevoix County Prosecutor meeting with both township supervisors

Update on NMU searching township properties for historical sites

**Moved** by Welke, supported by McDonough to adjourn at 6:30 pm

Submitted by

Julie Gillespie, Clerk  
St. James Township  
COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX