

**SPRING ARBOR TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Board was held Monday, December 14, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., with the following members present: Supervisor Marston Fortress, Clerk Julia Stonestreet, Treasurer Colleen Gibbs, Trustees James Buck, Joel Freehling, Troy Ganton and David Herlein. Absent: none. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Fortress.

Guests: Julie Alexander-County Commissioner, Stan Lyon, Tim McEldowney, Earl Poleski, Russ Ratkiewicz, and Ken Wyatt-Jackson Citizen Patriot.

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 7:03 p.m.

Julie Alexander reported on the county business including the Pure Spring Arbor campaign. Public Comment closed at 7:10 p.m.

Expenditures. Motion was made by Herlein and seconded by Buck to approve the following expenditures for November: The General Fund expenditures #50869-50977 totaling \$60,617.02; Fire Department Fund expenditures #50868-50965 totaling \$12,996.27; Street Light Fund expenditure #50946 totaling \$5270.66; Public Improvement Fund expenditures #50946 & 50918 totaling \$1,268.00; Building Inspection Fund expenditures #50877-50951 totaling \$3,937.76; Sewer Fund expenditures #50868-50963 totaling \$54,457.37; Water Fund expenditures #50902-50974 totaling \$1,222.52; Trust and Agency expenditures #1999 totaling \$507.00; Current Tax Collection #4759-4766 totaling \$19,003.51. Roll Call: 7 yes. Approved. Motion was made by Freehling and seconded by Buck to pay outstanding invoices totaling \$45,873.81. Roll Call: 7 yes. Approved

Minutes: Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Herlein to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2011 regular board meeting. Approved.

Consent Agenda. Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Freehling to approve the following items under the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports for November 2011; the general ledger report of revenues and expenditures for November 2011; police and fire report for November; Building permit report for November and the Senior Center Advisory Board minutes of November 9, 2011. The financial report showed the following balances as of November 30, 2011:

General Fund Cash	\$ (796.25)
Certificate of Deposit	472,306.18
Fire Operations Cash	4,800.62
Fire Operations CD	825,382.13
Street Light Fund Cash	(22,771.80)
P.I.F. Cash	0.00
P.I.F. Certificate of Deposit	61,840.37
Building Inspection Fund Cash	12,784.39
Building Inspection Fund CD	46,209.42
Historical Endowment Fund Cash	0.00
Historical Endowment Fund CD	29,909.24

Sewer Funds	760,932.18
Water Funds	369,084.55
Trust & Agency Funds	.00
Current Taxes	<u>35,128.67</u>
Total	<u>\$2,590,809.70</u>

Unanimously approved

REPORTS:

Police Reports: Chief Ratkiewicz elaborated on his written report.

Fire Report: Chief McEldowney elaborated on his written report and reminded all that this is the time of year that many people use alternative heating sources. Everyone should use caution.

Supervisor Report: Advised the board that Consumers Energy will be doing tree trimming over the next several months. The weeds in the cemetery are deceased and we will look at reseeding in the spring.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resignation: Mike Kesterson has moved from the township and has tendered his resignation from the Board of Review. Ganton moved that we accept his resignation and Jim Buck second. Approved.

Committee Appointment: Supervisor Fortress recommended Warren Dexter to replace Kesterson on the Board of Review. Ganton made the motion and Freehling second. Approved

Medical Marihuana: Supervisor Fortress recommended that the moratorium on marihuana dispensaries be extended until June 20, 2012. Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Freehling to follow the recommendation. Roll Call: 7 yes. Approved

PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT: Colleen Gibbs reminded all of the collection for Christmas Lights for the Township. Marston Fortress handed out two ordinances that are being examined by our attorney for updating.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Stonestreet and seconded by Gibbs to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. unanimously approved.

Approved at the January 9, 2012 board meeting

Julia Stonestreet
Township Clerk