

**SPRING ARBOR TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
CORRECTED  
JULY 14, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Board was held Monday July 14, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., with the following members present: Supervisor Marston Fortress, Clerk Julia Stonestreet, Trustees James Buck, Joel Freehling, Dave Herlein and Troy Ganton. Absent: Treasurer Colleen Gibbs. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Fortress.

Guests: Stan Lyon, Tim McEldowney, Earl Poleski and Russ Ratkiewicz

**Public Comment:** Earl expounded on the upcoming ballot proposal.

**Expenditures:** Motion was made by Freehling and seconded by Herlein to approve the following expenditures for June: General Fund expenditures totaling \$61,996.61; Fire Department Fund expenditures totaling \$52,564.93; Street Light Fund expenditures \$3,904.03; Public Improvement Fund expenditures totaling \$5,533.00; Building Inspection Fund expenditures totaling \$3,818.95; Sewer Fund expenditures totaling \$25,756.45; Water Fund expenditures totaling \$8,626.20; Trust and Agency Fund expenditures totaling \$159.00; Becky Cunningham Historical Fund \$605.00. Roll Call: 6 yes. Approved. Motion was made by Buck and seconded by Stonestreet to pay outstanding invoices totaling \$145,095.23. Roll Call: 6 yes. Approved

**Minutes:** Motion was made by Herlein and seconded by Freehling to accept the minutes of the June 9., 2014 regular board meeting. Approved.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Freehling to accept the following items under the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports for June 2014; the general ledger report of revenues and expenditures for June 2014; Zoning/Building permit report for June 2014; Planning Commission meeting minutes of June 10 and July 8, 2014; Senior Center Advisory Board meeting minutes of June 11, 2014 and Parks Committee meeting minutes of June 16, 2014. Approved.

The financial report showed the following balances as of June 20, 2014:

General Fund Cash	\$(23,388.37)
Certificate of Deposit	877,537.77
Fire Operations Cash	(38,955.90)
Fire Operations CD	1,019,205.78
Street Light Fund Cash	47,518.54
Street Light Fund MM	.00
P.I.F. Cash	(2,179.00)
P.I.F. Certificate of Deposit	106,828.05
Building Inspection Fund Cash	6,612.09

Building Inspection Fund CD	64,222.09
Trust and Agency Fund Cash	.00
Historical Fund Cash	.00
Historical Endowment Fund CD	17,389.06
Sewer Funds	890,479.46
Water Funds	332,487.18
Current Tax Collection MM	.00
Fixed Assets	2,000.00
Total	<b><u>\$3,299,756.75</u></b>

**REPORTS:**

**Police and Fire Report:** Chief Ratkiewicz reported on the month's activities. Motion was made by Stonestreet and seconded by Buck to accept the Police report. Approved. Chief McEldowney reported on the past and future month activities. Motion was made by Herlein and seconded by Buck to approve the Fire report. Approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Becky Cunningham Historical Committee:** Clerk Stonestreet reported that no definite new information has been found but is still looking. A motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Stonestreet to table this item until next month. Approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Enterprise Group support:** Supervisor Fortress asked the board to approve the financial support of the Enterprise Group in the amount of \$1,200.00. Motion made by Ganton and seconded by Freehling to approve the expenditure. Roll Call: 6 yes. Approved.

**Security cameras at the parks:** Supervisor Fortress reported on the multiple incidents of vandalism at the park facilities over the past couple of years. He is requesting that cameras be placed outside the restrooms to try and identify the miscreants. Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Freehling to approve the expenditure up to an estimated \$6,000.00. Roll Call: 67 yes. Approved.

**Fire Department Kitchen Upgrade:** The current kitchen in the public safety building is over 20 years old and with the new addition needs to be renovated. A motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Herlein to approve an additional \$9,000 to upgrade and renovate the kitchen. Roll Call: 6 yes. Approved.

**Land Division:** Dave Young is requesting a land division in the Burr Oak subdivision. The Planning Commission has granted the request. Township Ordinance #53 requires the Township Board to approve any subdivision land division in accordance with the Subdivision Control Act of the State of Michigan PA 288 of 1967. A motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Freehling to approve the land division of parcel #000-12-21-101-001-01 as per the Planning Commission. Roll Call: 6 yes. Approved.

**Administrative Polices Manual Part 1:** Clerk Stonestreet has distributed the first section of the Administrative Manual for Board. She asked that the board look it over for approval at the August meeting.

**PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT:** Joel Freehling reminded the board of the public meeting for the Parks Committee on July 21 in the Township hall for a preview of the 5year plan for parks. Julia Stonestreet told the board that there will be information coming regarding Codification of Township Ordinances; possible Cemetery Ordinance changes regarding prepaid burials, and clarification of the transfer of burial rights. There was also information regarding possible millage proposal and language for the November election.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Freehling to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Approved.

Julia Stonestreet  
Township Clerk  
Approved at the July 14, 2014 regular board meeting