

**SPRING ARBOR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
JUNE 14, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Board was held Monday, June 14, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., with the following members present: Supervisor Marston Fortress, Clerk Julia Stonestreet, Treasurer Colleen Gibbs, Trustees Joel Freehling and, Patricia Short. Absent: Troy Ganton and Brent Williams. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Supervisor.

Guests were: Ken Wyatt, Earl Poleski, Julie Alexander, Jane Grover, Jim Videto, Dave Herlein, Tim McEldowney, Russ Ratkiewicz, Jim Buck, Stan Lyons and Sherry Fritz.

**Public Comment:** Public comment opened at 7:05 p.m.

Stan Lyons – zoning question. Sherry Fritz - neighborhood problem. Earl Poleski reporting for the County Commission. Dr. Jane Grover - elections; Julie Alexander - elections; Jim Buck – progress of Family Dollar store. Public comment closed at 7:22 p.m.

**Expenditures.** Motion was made by Short and seconded by Freehling the following expenditures for May of the General Fund expenditures #48967-49063 totaling \$47,2885.93; Fire Department Fund expenditures #48967-49063 totaling \$33,706.45; Street Light Fund expenditure #48987 totaling \$5,214.77; Building Inspection Fund expenditures #48967-49063 totaling \$3,112.17; Sewer Fund expenditures #48970-49063 totaling \$41,719.45; Water Fund expenditures #48980-49063 totaling \$22,960.43;. Roll Call: 5 yes. Motion was made by Freehling and seconded by Short to pay outstanding invoices totaling \$79,730.12. Roll Call: 5 yes.

**Minutes.** Motion was made by Freehling and seconded by Short to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2010 regular board meeting; unanimously approved.

**Consent Agenda.** Motion was made by Stonestreet and seconded by Gibbs to approve the following items under the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports for May 2010; the general ledger report of revenues and expenditures for May 2010; Senior Center Advisory Board minutes of May 12, 2010; and, Master Plan Committee of December 15, 2009 and February 5, 2010; Public Safety Committee meeting of May 17, 2010. The financial report showed the following balances as of May 30:

General Fund Cash	\$ 44.77
Certificate of Deposit	372,478.34
Fire Operations Cash	816.83
Fire Operations CD	607,823.42
Street Light Fund Cash	520.11
Street Light Fund CD	7,000.00
Public Improvement Fund	6,727.85
P.I.F. Certificate of Deposit	52,640.70
Building Inspection Fund	3,309.67
Building Inspection Fund CD	41,100.65
Historical Endowment Fund	0.00
Historical Endowment Fund CD	28,610.48
Sewer Funds	758,994.01
Water Funds	372,731.52
Trust & Agency Funds	423.00

Current Taxes  
Total

110.34  
\$2,253,331.69;

Unanimously approved.

## **REPORTS:**

**A. Police and Fire Reports.** Motion was made by Stonestreet and seconded by Freehling to accept the police report: unanimously approved. A motion was made by Stonestreet and seconded by Freehling to accept the fire report; unanimously approved

**B. Zoning & Building Permit Reports.** The report of building permits issued during the month of May showed one building permit and other miscellaneous permits for a total value of \$1,534,200. Motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by Short to accept the zoning and building report; unanimously approved.

**C. Supervisor's Report.** Advised the board: Thanked Colleen Gibbs for the planning of and planting of flowers around Township Buildings; Burr Oak Garbage can concerns expressed last month by a citizen may be solved; Energy savings through Volunteer Energy; timely response of he Jackson County Road Commission to culvert problems; ISO review and the recycle center situation.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**A. None**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Pension Plan Resolution.** A resolution is needed by Burnham and Flower Insurance Co. to change the plan administrator of the John Hancock pension plan to the current clerk. Motion was made by Short and seconded by Gibbs. Roll Call: 5 yes.

**B. Committee Appointments and Re-Appointments.** Motion was made by Short and seconded by Freehling to approve list of appointments recommended by the supervisor (list is in the supervisor report.) Unanimously approved.

**C. Park Slide Replacement.** Motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by Short to replace unsafe slides at Gallagher Park. Roll Call: 5 yes.

**D. SAU Fireworks Display.** Motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by Freehling to approve the Fireworks permit for the Hanging of the Greens. Unanimously approved.

**E. Master Land Use Plan.** Dave Herlein presented the revised cost estimates for the planning services of Region 2 Planning Commission. Motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by Freehling to approve expenditure of no more than \$5200 of the Region 2 reserve for this project. Roll Call: 5 yes.

**F. Temporary Commercial Activity.** Motion was made by Short and seconded by Gibbs to accept the policy to grant the Zoning Administrator authority to approve temporary commercial uses based on the criteria of the Zoning Ordinance Section 6.13. without Board approval. This policy is to be revisited in 6 months time. Unanimously approved.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Thank you letter from Randi Holthouse  
Municipal Law news  
Township Law e-letters

**PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT:** Public comment opened at 8:05 p.m.

Colleen Gibbs informed the board that she will be opening a new bank account at CP Federal Credit Union for Tax receipts. Gibbs is also researching and receiving bids for a new Web Site administrator. Julia Stonestreet asked permission of the Board to forward future e-mail correspondence instead of distributing paper copies at the board meeting. Tim McEldowney reported that there is some interest in buying the 1985 fire engine; he will keep us apprised.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion was made by Freehling and seconded by Short to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m.; unanimously approved.

Approved at the July 12, 2010 board meeting

Julia K. Stonestreet  
Township Clerk