

**SPRING ARBOR TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Board was held Monday, September 13, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., with the following members present: Supervisor Marston Fortress, Clerk Julia Stonestreet, Treasurer Colleen Gibbs, Trustees Joel Freehling, Troy Ganton, Patricia Short and Brent Williams. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Fortress.

Guests: Julie Alexander, Jim Buck, Fran Kingsley, Stan Lyon, Tim McEldowney, Earl Poleski, Russ Ratkiewicz, Janice Sweet-Fairley, Denise Tomasello, Dr. Charles Webb and Ken Wyatt.

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

Dr. Webb gave an update on the growth of Spring Arbor University and its connection to the township. Stan Lyon asked about the four way stop signs at Second and College streets. Julie Alexander, Republican candidate for County Commissioner asked for support in the upcoming election. Janice Sweet-Fairley, Democratic candidate for County Commissioner asked for support in the upcoming election. Pat Short introduced Denise Tomasello and Fran Kingsley and Peg Clevenger (not present) as members of the Recycling Task Force. Public comment closed at 7:26 p.m.

Expenditures. Motion was made by Williams and seconded by Ganton to approve the following expenditures for July of the General Fund expenditures #49299-49432 totaling \$70,413.28; Fire Department Fund expenditures #49308-49432 totaling \$13,636.26; Street Light Fund expenditure #49377 totaling \$5,197.56; Building Inspection Fund expenditures #49312-49427 totaling \$5,211.66; Sewer Fund expenditures #49300-49427 totaling \$49,450.64; Water Fund expenditures #49301-49427 totaling \$1,486.77; Trust and Agency expenditures #1975-1976 totaling \$429.00; Tax Fund #4606-4613 totaling \$293,509.96. Roll Call: 7 yes. Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Freehling to pay outstanding invoices totaling \$72,884.96. Roll Call: 7 yes.

Minutes: Motion was made by Freehling and seconded by Gibbs to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2010 regular board meeting; unanimously approved. Motion was made by Williams and seconded by Ganton to approve the minutes of the special board meeting of September 2, 2010; unanimously approved.

Consent Agenda. Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Williams to approve the following items under the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports for August 2010; the general ledger report of revenues and expenditures for August 2010; and the Senior Center Board minutes of August 11, 2010 and the Master Plan Committee minutes of May 27, 2010. The financial report showed the following balances as of August 31, 2010:

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| General Fund Cash | \$ (17,689.31) |
| Certificate of Deposit | 345,708.55 |
| Fire Operations Cash | (5,702.85) |
| Fire Operations CD | 567,128.80 |
| Street Light Fund Cash | (7,900.00) |
| Street Light Fund CD | 0 |
| Public Improvement Fund | 0 |
| P.I.F. Certificate of Deposit | 59,638.14 |
| Building Inspection Fund | 7,456.75 |
| Building Inspection Fund CD | 41,242.11 |
| Historical Endowment Fund | 0.00 |

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| Historical Endowment Fund CD | 28,828.48 | |
| Sewer Funds | | 814,454.43 |
| Water Funds | | 369,820.97 |
| Trust & Agency Funds | 0 | |
| Current Taxes | | <u>659,991.84</u> |
| Total | | \$2,862,977.91; |

Unanimously approved.

REPORTS:

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

B. Zoning & Building Permit Reports. Motion was made by Freehling and seconded by Gibbs to accept the zoning and building report; unanimously approved.

C. Recycling Task Force. Pat Short announced that the task force is comprised of Pat, Troy Ganton, Denise Tomasello, Fran Kingsley and Peg Clevenger. Joel Freehling also agreed to be a part of the force. The committee would like to add more signs to the recycling center for clearer directions to the users. The committee will make a more detailed presentation at the next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. October meeting date. Stonestreet brought up the fact that the October meeting is on a legal holiday, Columbus Day. It was decided that the meeting would be held on the scheduled day and time.

B. Recycling task force. Pat Short informed the board that the task force will be bringing an agreement between Northwest Collection and the Township on the maintenance of the recycling center.

C. Planning Commission: Troy Ganton brought to the board's attention that the Planning Commission is getting questions regarding our sign ordinance. Board asks that the Planning Commission to look at our sign ordinance.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Jackson County Office of the Sheriff (2)
Ryan Biederman

PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT: none

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Williams and seconded by Short to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.; unanimously approved.

Approved at the October 11, 2010 board meeting

Julia K. Stonestreet
Township Clerk