

**SPRING ARBOR TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 14, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Board was held Monday, January 14, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., with the following members present Supervisor Marston Fortress, Clerk Julia Stonestreet, Treasurer Colleen Gibbs, Trustees: James Buck, Troy Ganton, Joel Freehling and David Herlein. Absent: none. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Fortress.

Guests: Bruce Caswell- State senator of the current 16<sup>th</sup> district and candidate for the State Senator of new 16<sup>th</sup> district, Stan Lyon, Tim McEldowney, Russ Ratkiewicz and Ken Wyatt-Jackson Citizen Patriot

**Public Comment:** Public comment opened at 7:01p.m. Mr. Caswell introduced himself and offered his assistance in any way he can. Stan Lyon made an inquiry about expenditure. Public Comment closed at 7:08 p.m.

**Expenditures:** Motion was made by Buck and seconded by Herlein to approve the following expenditures for December: The General Fund expenditures #52392-52499 totaling \$66,542.23; Fire Department Fund expenditures #52393-52498 totaling \$43,026.68; Street Light Fund expenditures #52463 totaling \$4,308.36; Public Improvement Fund expenditures #52426-52491 totaling \$13,687.21; Building Inspection Fund expenditures #52397-52498 totaling \$3,951.32; Sewer Fund expenditures #52397-52542 totaling \$57,050.02; Water Fund expenditures #52397-52542 totaling \$1,066.63; Trust and Agency Fund Expenditures #2018-2021 totaling \$1,860.00; Tax Fund expenditures #4858-4873 totaling \$228,308.11; West House Historical Fund expenditures #52397-52493 totaling \$1,688.43. Roll Call: 7 yes. Approved. Motion was made by Freehling and seconded by Ganton to pay outstanding invoices totaling \$78,503.29. Roll Call: 7 yes. Approved

**Minutes:** Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Herlein to accept the minutes of the December 10, 2012 regular board meeting. Approved. Motion was made by Stonestreet and seconded by Freehling to accept the minutes of the January 7, 2013 Special Meeting. Approved.

**Consent Agenda.** Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Herlein to accept the following items under the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports for December 2012; the general ledger report of revenues and expenditures for December 2012; police and fire report for December 2012; Zoning/Building permit report for December 2012; Master Plan Committee minutes of December 11, 2012 and January 8, 2013; and Senior Center Advisory Board minutes for December 12, 2012. Approved. The financial report showed the following balances as of December 31, 2012:

General Fund Cash	\$122,733.16
Certificate of Deposit	597,222.51
Fire Operations Cash	(28,819.36)
Fire Operations CD	821,477.55
Street Light Fund Cash	(676.86)
P.I.F. Cash	485.51
P.I.F. Certificate of Deposit	25,070.27
Building Inspection Fund Cash	7,778.14
Building Inspection Fund CD	61,825.37
Historical Endowment Fund Cash	0.00
Historical Endowment Fund CD	30,841.88
West House Historical Fund Cash	2,544.78
West House Historical Fund CD	90,045.62
Sewer Funds	763,276.95

Water Funds	378,500.74
Trust & Agency Funds	.00
Current Taxes	<u>544,095.67</u>
Total	<b><u>\$3,416,401.93</u></b>

Unanimously approved

**REPORTS:**

**Police Report:** Chief Ratkiewicz elaborated on his written report. Herlein made the motion to accept the police report. Freehling seconded the motion. Approved.

**Fire Report:** Chief McEldowney elaborated on his written report. He also reported that the full time firefighter, Tim Woolworth, is expected to start on February 4, 2013. Ganton moved to accept the fire report and Buck seconded it. Approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Mileage Reimbursement:** A motion was made by Herlein and seconded by Freehling to adjust the mileage reimbursement in accordance with the IRS recommendations for now and in the future. Roll Call: 7 yes.

**Clean Up Day:** Clean up Day(s) were discussed for 2013. The board by consent will consider one or two day and Herlein and Fortress will approach Sandstone Township for a combined clean up day. They will report next month.

**West House Auction:** Supervisor Fortress presented the bids received by Stanton Auctioneers and Real Estate and Belcher McPherson Auction Co. After discussion a motion was made by Herlein and seconded by Ganton to approve Stanton as the auctioneer and to schedule the auction on a mutually agreeable date. Roll Call: 7 yes. A motion was made by Freehling and seconded by Buck to authorize the Supervisor to spend up to \$500 to get an appraisal on the real property. Roll Call: 7 yes.

**PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT:** Tim McEldowney thanked the board for their kind thoughts and prayers for his brother who was taken ill in December. Julia Stonestreet reported that the Citizen Patriot extended an invitation to an open house of their new facilities on January 17, 2013.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Herlein to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. unanimously approved.

Approved at the  
February 11, 2013 board meeting

Julia Stonestreet  
Township Clerk