

**SPRING ARBOR TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Board was held Monday, December 8, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., with the following members present: Clerk Julia Stonestreet, Trustees James Buck, Joel Freehling, Troy Ganton and Dave Herlein. Absent: Supervisor Marston Fortress and Treasurer Colleen Gibbs. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Clerk Stonestreet.

Guests: Julie Alexander–County Commissioner, Tim McEldowney, and Russ Ratkiewicz

The first order of business was to appoint a chairperson. A motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Buck to appoint Joel Freehling chairperson. Approved.

Clerk Stonestreet asked that a fourth item be added to the New Business – Facebook approval.

Public Comment: Opened at 7:02 p.m. Julie Alexander brought the board up to date with the work of the County Commission including the status of the Cascades improvement, and Street Naming Ordinance update; the 2015 board schedule changes. Closed Public Comment at 7:07 p.m.

Expenditures: Motion was made by Herlein and seconded by Buck to approve the following expenditures for November: General Fund expenditures totaling \$56,614.12; Fire Department Fund expenditures totaling \$15,868.97; Street Light Fund expenditures \$3,911.25; Public Improvement Fund expenditures totaling \$49,999.47; Building Fund expenditures \$18,242.30; Water Fund expenditures totaling \$503.10; Trust and Agency Fund expenditures \$1,029.00; Tax Collection Fund totaling \$18,328.34; Becky Cunningham Historical Fund \$275.00. Roll Call: 5 yes. Approved. Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Stonestreet to pay outstanding invoices totaling \$196,474.05. Roll Call: 5 yes. Approved

Minutes: Motion was made by Herlein and seconded by Buck to accept the minutes of the November 10, 2014 regular board meeting. Approved.

Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Stonestreet and seconded by Herlein to accept the following items under the consent agenda consisting of the general ledger report of revenues and expenditures for November 2014; Zoning/Building permit report for November 2014; Parks Committee meeting minutes of November 17, 2014; the Senior Center Advisory Board minutes of November 12, 2014 and the Planning Commission meeting minutes of November 11, 2014. Approved.

REPORTS:

Police and Fire Report: Chief Ratkiewicz reported on the month's activities, including an officers Training Course. The police department will also be updating the Emergency Response Policy. Motion was made by Buck and seconded by Stonestreet to accept the police report of November 2014. Approved. Chief McEldowney reported on the fire activities for the month. Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Herlein to accept the fire report of November 2014. Approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Committee Appointments: A motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Herlein to approve the following committee appointments:

Board of Review

Melvin Rice 12/31/16
Gordon Holton 12/31/16
Shane Williams 12/31/16
Alternate: Warren Dexter 12/31/16

Construction Board of Appeal - Kenneth Moe 01/31/20

Zoning Board of Appeals- Larry Atkins 12/31/17

Budget Committee – Joel Freehling 12/31/15

Audit Committee

Joel Freehling 12/31/17
James Buck 12/31/15

Master Land Use Plan – Carl Jacobson

Public Safety Board

Brian Philson 12/31/17
Kenneth Hotchkiss 12/31/17

Historical Committee – Troy Ganton 06/30/17

Approved

Performance Resolution for Parade: The annual Performance Resolution for Government Agencies was presented by Clerk Stonestreet. This resolution must be approved to begin the process for closing M-60 for the Memorial Day Parade. Roll Call: 5 yes. Approved.

Resolution to set Regular Board meetings: Clerk Stonestreet presented the resolution to set the regular board meetings for the 2015 calendar year per the Open Meetings Act. Motion was made by Ganton and seconded by Buck to approve the dates. Roll Call: 5 yes. Approved

Facebook fee: The new website designer, Sarah Granger of Granger Graphic Design, has opened and begun to place Facebook postings for the Township. She is willing to post once a week for a fee of \$20 per post with the posts being approved by the Township. A motion was made by Herlein and seconded by Ganton to enter into the arrangement of one Facebook posting a week for six months at a fee of \$20 per posting with the Clerk approving the posts per the Township social media policies. Roll Call: 5 yes. Approved

PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT: none

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 7:29p.m.

Julia Stonestreet
Township Clerk

Approved at the January 12, 2015 regular board meeting