

TOWNSHIP OF SPRING ARBOR

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 13, 2023

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Board was held on November 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Supervisor, Dave Herlein, Clerk, Patricia Bush, Treasurer, Katie Trachsel, Trustees James Buck, Troy Ganton and Josh Walz. Absent: Michael Archer

Public Comment Opened at 6:00 p.m.

Report County Commissioner Poleski reported jail millage options. Bids for demolition of the commissary building at the armory at estimated cost of \$133,000.00. Stated still pending updates from JCDOT regarding progress of Hanover Road and Albion Road bridge projects.

Police Report Chief Deering reported on accident involving an electric bicycle on Chapel Road. Staff began mandatory training on CJIS system. Chief Deering attended an active shooter meeting at Spring Arbor University with head of campus security.

Expenditures Motion to approve made by Walz and seconded by Buck to approve disbursements for the month of October 2023. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved. Motion was made by Buck and seconded by Ganton to approve the payment of open and paid, journalized and unjournalized report for October 2023. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Minutes Motion made by Trachsel and seconded by Walz to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from October 10, 2023. All Ayes. Approved.

Consent Agenda Motion made by Walz and seconded by Trachsel to accept the following items under the consent agenda: General Ledger Report of Revenues and Expenditures for October 2023; the Cash Summary for October 2023. Public Safety Report for October 2023. All Ayes. Approved. Trachsel noted correction on Treasurer's Report.

Supervisor Report Supervisor Herlein reported Jackson area traffic summit held November 2, 2023. He reported road funding from the state level will dramatically decrease. Discussion with Summit Township, hydrologist and engineers regarding new school site as favorable for being permitted to allow the installation of water treatment facility/water wells if approved. Herlein and Trachsel attended sewer negotiations with the city. Still awaiting pumps for MACI lift station. Harmony Park project almost complete. Meeting scheduled for discussion of Township campus project regarding updates. School house exterior work progressing. Last grass mowing of township grounds this week and Emerald to conduct one last scheduled leaf pick up for the year. Christmas light display to tentatively be started Friday or Saturday following Thanksgiving and also requesting volunteers for additional help with this project. Stated appreciation to the Clerks department regarding November 2023 election work. Trachsel to conduct cost analysis for cemetery department.

Reported the state passed bills pertaining to green energy projects which will now go through the Michigan Public Service Commission and will no longer be handled at the local level.

Fire Chief McEldowney reported as of October 28, 2023, they reached same amount of calls as total calls for 2022. Estimated between 1200 and 1300 total calls by end of year. CPR recertification training completed. Fire class beginning mid-December through May 2024.

New Business Federal grant requests unsuccessful. Funds allocated within current budget year for the purchase of Scott Air-Paks. Motion made by Ganton and seconded by Walz to approve the purchase of Scott Air-Paks equipment quotation. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Supervisor Herlein discussed health insurance policy renewal and 5% rate increase. Motion was made by Buck and seconded by Ganton to approve renewal of current Priority Health insurance policy. Roll all: 6 yes. Approved.

Performance Resolution for Municipalities presented for review. Motion made by Ganton and seconded by Walz to approve Performance Resolution for Municipalities. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Motion made by Ganton and seconded by Walz to approve funds of up to \$500.00 for expenses for Trustee Buck to attend MTA Seminar on December 6, 2023. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Public/Board Member Comment

Meeting Adjourned 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patricia C. Bush". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Patricia C. Bush, Clerk

Next Meeting Scheduled: December 11, 2023