

TOWNSHIP OF SPRING ARBOR
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 11, 2023

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Board was held on December 11, 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 Michael Archer. Absent: Josh Walz.

Public Comment Opened at 6:00 p.m.

Report County Commissioner Poleski reported 20 year ½ mill levy for the jail has expired in November. An ad hoc jail committee at the County level formed to develop a new plan using an option which would entail a .9 mill that would not include the demolition of the Wesley Street jail facility. He also advised the County Treasurer reports 86 parcels in tax foreclosure. Consideration regarding the forming of a broadband ad hoc committee. County clerk reports warrants for arrest being issued for people who have not reported for jury duty.

Police Report Chief Deering introduced candidate, David Noble as a prospective part time police officer. He reported of a natural death occurrence on McCain Road. Also advised of four personal injury accidents.

Fire Chief McEldowney reported around 250 calls above last year's numbers. Fire runs have increased as well. Three new people in the medical class have all passed course. Two have since taken and passed the national registry class and have received their certification. Fire class begins December 12, 2023 and will continue through the beginning of May 2024.

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

Minutes Motion made by Ganton and seconded by Trachsel to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from November 13, 2023 with requested correction. All Ayes. Approved.

Consent Agenda Motion made by Buck and seconded by Trachsel to accept the following items under the consent agenda: General Ledger Report of Revenues and Expenditures for November 2023; the Cash Summary for November 2023. Public Safety Report for November 2023. All Ayes. Approved.

Supervisor Report Supervisor Herlein advised of his participation to three road safety audits. Audits consisted the locations of Dearing Road corridor, Napoleon schools as well as Moscow Road safety audit. One or two traffic circles possibly added in front of new school location.

Sewer negotiations proceeding. Financial analysis being compiled. Meeting with EGGLE scheduled next week regarding water matters. DWRP funds appears to no longer be available in the future. Working with Western Schools to obtain an agreement to potentially situate a well on the schools new property. Discussion also held with LDFA which has currently made application to the State to obtain acreage near I-94.

New Business Supervisor Herlein discussed tree removal bids for cemetery provided for review. Motion made to approve by Archer and seconded by Buck to accept the bid presented by Burman's Tree Service. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Chief Deering requested board approval for the hiring of David Noble for a part-time police officer position. Motion made by Ganton and seconded by Archer to approve the hiring of David Noble for part-time police officer position. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Chief Deering requested board approval for the promotion of Officer Richard Cuatt to sergeant. Motion to approve made by Archer and supported by Ganton for the approval of the promotion of Officer Cuatt to sergeant. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Public/Board Member Comment

Meeting Adjourned 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia C. Bush, Clerk

Next Meeting Scheduled: January 8, 2024