

TOWNSHIP OF SPRING ARBOR
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 8, 2024

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Board was held on January 8, 2024 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 & Josh Walz.

Public Comment Opened at 6:00 p.m.

Report County Commissioner Poleski reported the sheriff's office will add two K-9 units. Advised of additional tasks performed by JCDOT. Reviewing bids for the remodeling of restrooms at the American 1 Center. Discussions held regarding the possible use of Flock cameras. Broadband ad hoc committee to be formed next Tuesday. GIS staffing issues and may be necessary to contract with someone to complete GIS updates. Voter income tax assistance process beginning.

Police Report Officer Cuatt reported of multiple automobile break-in's reported. One of two suspects apprehended. Officer Noble continues training process. Number of vacation watches has increased.

Fire Chief McEldowney reported year-end total of 1210 dispatches for services. Good intent calls increased. Fire academy has started. Received breathing apparatus equipment.

Expenditures Motion to approve made by Walz and seconded by Archer to approve disbursements for the month of December 2023. Roll call: 7 yes. Approved. Motion was made by Trachsel and seconded by Buck to approve the payment of open and paid, journalized and unjournalized report for December 2023. Roll call: 7 yes. Approved.

Minutes Motion made by Ganton and seconded by Archer to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from December 11, 2023. All Ayes. Approved.

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

Supervisor Report Supervisor Herlein advised no sewer updates available for MACI station. Negotiations with city continue. Water meeting held with EGLE. Unable to qualify for DWRP funds at this time. Talks continue for the possible combining of Spring Arbor Township and Summit Township system. Plans to work on next year's budget. Sewer costs will increase although rate of increase is unknown at this time. Water costs will increase approximately 10%. Expecting recommendation to increase cemetery costs. Traffic study results completed. Supervisor requested board members survey the conditions in Arbor Village as well as

Sunnydell. Supervisor Herlein is currently trying to work with the State of Michigan as well as law enforcement regarding ordinance issues.

New Business Supervisor Herlein advised the removal of the poverty exemption topic from the agenda as information not yet received from the State of Michigan. Advised of the upcoming MTA conference and potential interest of attendance. Motion to approve the appointment of Jacob Ganton for planning commission made by Walz and seconded by Archer. Roll call: 6 yes. Ganton recused himself from roll call vote. All ayes. Approved. Motion to approve Tax Collection Fee Resolution presented by Trachsel made by Ganton and seconded by Walz. Roll call: 7 yes. Approved. Motion to approve the purchase of used zero turn mower, model Z930M made by Ganton and seconded by Walz. Roll call: 7 yes. Approved. Motion to approve made by Ganton and seconded by Buck to approve the 2024 Board Meeting Dates Resolutions. Roll call: 7 yes. Approved.

Public/Board Member Comment

Meeting Adjourned 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia C. Bush". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

Patricia C. Bush, Clerk

Next Meeting Scheduled: February 12, 2024