

Meeting Minutes of Spring Arbor Township Board of Trustees, December 8, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6 o'clock

Trachsel was appointed Secretary for the meeting through suggestion by Herlein. Agreed.

1. Roll Call. Present: Archer, Buck, Ganton, Herlein, Trachsel and Walz. Absent: Bush.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Comment. None.
4. Reports
 - A. Jackson College – Presentation tabled until January meeting.
 - B. County Commissioner Poleski. Jury summons response percentage has increased. County revenue is greater than budget, because of this some monies are being dedicated to various buildings improvement fund (jail may be included).
 - C. Police Department: Chief Deering. Officer Collins initial training is set. Discussed Axon Enterprise quote: credit of \$2k-\$3k expected, tasers obtained in 2014 and 2018 each having an expected five-year life, cartridges are expired. Motion made by Trachsel, seconded by Buck. Roll call: six ayes, zero nays. Approval of the Axon Enterprise quote Q-777911-45980JK.
 - D. Fire Department: Chief McEldowney. Will have a record high number of calls this year though trend has slowed recently, reimbursement from State of Michigan for training is coming (\$4.5k), additional training for potential officers upcoming with no expected cost to the Township, still looking for more firefighters, radio replacement discussion took place with additional information to be shared in January.
5. Bills
 - A. Disbursements: Archer motioned/Buck seconded. Roll call: six ayes, zero nays. Approved.
 - B. Open and paid, journalized and unjournalized report: Walz motioned/Buck seconded. Roll call: six ayes, zero nays. Approved.
6. Minutes: Trachsel motioned/Ganton seconded. Approved.
7. Consent Agenda: Ganton motioned/Archer seconded. Approved.
8. Supervisor Report: Seasonal décor is up, thank you to helpers. Proposed recommendation for public safety radios from County Supervisors' group. City WWTP updates (potentially nearing agreement). With winter weather upon us, park restrooms have been closed, DPW building is heating and the new facilities are working well. Budget work has begun.
9. New Business
 - A. Township Health Care. Trustee Walz recused himself and left the room. Presentation by Tim Walz from Barker Weber. Buck motioned, Archer seconded. Roll call: six ayes, zero nays. Approved. Trustee Walz reentered room after vote.
 - B. Resolution for 2026 Board Meeting Dates. Ganton motioned/Walz seconded. Roll call: six ayes, zero nays. Approved.
 - C. MDOT Resolution. Archer motioned/Buck seconded. Roll call: six ayes, zero nays. Approved.
 - D. Roof-Snow Retention System. Walz motioned/Archer seconded. Roll call: six ayes, zero nays. Approved.
 - E. Holidays Hours for 2025. Ganton motioned, Archer seconded. Approved.

10. Old Business. None.

11. Public/Board Member Comment. Public Comment: None. Board: Merry Christmas.

12. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Katie Trachsel, Treasurer and Acting Secretary

Next Meeting Scheduled: Board of Trustees on Monday, January 12, 2026, at 6 o'clock