

TOWNSHIP OF SPRING ARBOR

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 9, 2026

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Board was held on March 9, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present Supervisor, David Herlein, Clerk, Patricia Bush, Treasurer, Katie Trachsel, Trustees, Troy Ganton, Josh Walz & Jim Buck. Absent: Mike Archer

Herlein called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Herlein advised of an agenda adjustment.

Public Comment Opened at 6:02 p.m. Dr. Rueben Rubio, Sydney Court.

Reports:

County Commissioner Poleski reported the Public Safety Committee Meeting approved the purchase of a new vehicle. Looking to adopt a resolution of support with respect to a grant toward the purchase of new radios. County is looking to establish aviation mechanic school. Bridge grant application for 2029. Applying for a DNR trust fund grant.

Keith Gillenwater, Accelerate Jackson presentation.

Police Report Chief Deering reported busy month. Accident OWI crash. Two domestic arrests. OWI-3rd offense arrest. Fatal accident on M-60. PPO violation arrest. Ballistic threat level III shields & helmets are now in all police vehicles. Off duty weapons quote presented.

Fire Report Chief McEldowney reported run calls were down. Added three additional paid on call personnel. Training underway. Budget work.

Expenditures Motion to approve by Walz, seconded by Buck to approve disbursements for the month of February 2026. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved. Motion was made by Trachsel seconded by Buck to approve the payment of open and paid journalized and unjournalized report for February 28, 2026. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Minutes Motion made by Ganton seconded by Walz to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from February 9, 2026. All ayes. Approved. Motion made by Walz and seconded by Ganton to approve Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes from Park & Recreation Committee Meeting minutes of January 27, 2026. All ayes. Approved.

Consent Agenda Motion made by Trachsel seconded by Buck to accept the following items under the consent agenda: General Ledger Report of Revenues and Expenditures for February 2026; the Cash Summary for February 2026. Public Safety Report for February 2026 and Treasurer's Report. All ayes. Approved.

Supervisor's Report Working on sewer equalization project grant with assistance from Spring Arbor University. Applying for two additional grants.

New Business Motion by Trachsel seconded by Ganton to approve MTA Principles of Governance. All ayes. Approved.

Motion by Ganton seconded by Walz to approve Metro Act Permit application. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Motion by Ganton seconded by Walz to approve Warner School playground equipment relocation estimate from Midwest Recreation Products. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Motion to approve sewer contract with the City of Jackson by Walz seconded by Ganton. Roll call: Yes: Buck, Bush, Herlein, Ganton & Walz. No: Trachsel. Approved.

Motion by Buck and seconded by Walz to approve Trash Day, June 6th, 2026. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Motion made by Trachsel seconded by Walz to approve Michigan Township Participating Plan Grant Application Resolution. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Motion to approve by Walz seconded by Ganton the off-duty gun purchase request in the amount of \$5,353.30. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Trachsel reviewed 2026/2027 revised budget draft distributed at meeting. Set Budget Meeting Hearing date for March 23, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

Old Business Motion by Trachsel seconded by Ganton to approve \$5,000.00 annual contribution to Accelerate Jackson. Roll call: 6 yes. Approved.

Public/Board Member Comment

Meeting Adjourned 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia C. Bush, Clerk

Next Meeting Scheduled: April 13, 2026

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