

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Sparta Township Board
160 E Division - Sparta MI 49345
December 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Dale Bergman.

Members Present: Dale Bergman, Bill Goodfellow, Mark Anderle, Bob Maier
Rachel Shangle, Rob Steffens, and Marcy Savage arrived at 7:05

Members Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE BUSINESS AGENDA

5. Set Date for CDBG Hearing

6. Park Plan Update

7. Advance Contract

8. D. Momber PDR approval

Motion to approve additions made by Steffens, 2nd by Goodfellow.

Carried 7-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paulie Nanzer and his dad Paul Nanzer were in attendance fulfilling a merit badge for boy scouts.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Maier, 2nd by Goodfellow to approve the minutes of Nov 12, 2015

Carried 7-0

Motion by Maier to approve the treasurer's report, 2nd by Goodfellow.

Carried 7-0

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of the Bills

Motion by Steffens and 2nd by Shangle to approve the bills.

Carried 7-0

2. Budget Amendments

A motion was made by Shangle and 2nd by Goodfellow to move \$20,000.00 from the savings to computer programs and supplies to pay for the new BS&A program.

3. Grant Writer Contract: Ostman Houses

The Board discussed amending the park plan. It was drawn up before we had purchased the property and needs to be changed before we can apply for the grant to purchase the properties.

4. Township Hall Improvements

The Clerk informed the board about the two estimates we had received for the improvements. We are still waiting for more estimates.

5. Set date for CDGB Public Hearing

A motion was made by Goodfellow to hold the Public hearing for the CDGB allocation January 14, 2017 and was seconded by Shangle.

Carried 7-0

6. Park Plan Update

A motion was made by Maier and 2nd by Shangle to update the park plan and to have the Township, Village and SRA have a joint public hearing.

Carried 7-0

7. Advance Contract

A motion was made to approve the 2016 contract for the Advance Newspaper to publish our legal advertising by Maier and 2nd by Anderle.

8. Daniel Momber PDR Approval

Daniel Momber has applied and has been selected to permanently preserve his farmland through the Purchase of Development Rights Program. A motion was made by Steffens and 2nd by Shangle to approve the preservation of his farm land and to approve Resolution 15.06. **Carried 7-0**

OTHER –INFORMATIONAL

Sue Blackall gave us some information about the Sparta Nash Creek Stream Bank Restoration. Mark Anderle informed the board that the first cemetery sign is finished and ready for approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Nanzer is looking for a place the boy scouts can meet in Sparta. They have between 20 and 30 scouts in their troop.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Goodfellow, and 2nd by Shangle.

Carried 7-0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcy Savage, Township Clerk