

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Sparta Township Board
160 E Division - Sparta MI 49345
February 11, 2016

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

Members Present: Dale Bergman, Bob Maier, Marcy Savage, Rachel Shangle, and Rob Steffens

Members Absent: Mark Anderle and Bill Goodfellow

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE BUSINESS AGENDA

None

Motion to approve the agenda as written by Shangle, 2nd by Maier **Carried 5-0**

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Shangle, 2nd by Steffens to approve the minutes of Jan. 14, 2016 **Carried 5-0**

Motion by Maier to approve the treasurer's report, 2nd by Savage. **Carried 5-0**

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of the Bills

Motion by Maier and 2nd by Shangle to approve the bills. **Carried 5-0**

2. Historical Commission Appointments

A. A motion was made to reappoint Larry Carter by Steffens, 2nd by Shangle. **Carried 5-0**

B. A motion was made by Steffens to appoint Rick Kingsbury to the historical commission board and 2nd by Savage. After some discussion the board decided that the historical commission should have no more than 2 board members on the board at one time that are not residents of Sparta Township. **Carried 5-0**

C. A motion was made by Shangle to reappoint Janye Paasch, 2nd by Steffens. **Carried 5-0**

The Term for the 3 appointed board members is March 2016- March 2019

3. Township Hall Improvements Update

A motion was made that we proceed with redoing the entry way using Gem Constructions quote and to go with the LED lights by Shangle and was enthusiastically 2nd by Maier.

4. Park Donation

The Township Board discussed ideas of what we could do with the brush. We also briefly discussed giving the money we currently have allocated in the budget to the park but decided that the whole board should be present to make that decision.

5. Clean Up Days-Electronic Items

Sparta Clean up days will be April 21, 22 and 23. There was a discussion on whether or not we should allow electronic items to be disposed of free of charge. The board decided it was a good service to provide the community and to continue taking electronic items without charge.

6. CDGB Resolution #16-1

There was a motion made by Steffens to approve Resolution #16-1 for the allocated CDGB money and was 2nd by Shangle.

Carried 5-0

OTHER –INFORMATIONAL

There was a motion made by Maier to approve the Quantum Leap Contract for 1 year, 2nd by Shangle.

Carried 5-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Eric Szczepaniak was present and presented the board with a resolution asking our representatives to overturn Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission. Szczepaniak would like to see us put it on our agenda at our next board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Shangle, and 2nd by Maier

Carried 5-0

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcy Savage, Township Clerk