

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the  
Sparta Township Board  
160 E Division - Sparta MI 49345  
June 9, 2016

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

**Members Present:** Dale Bergman, Marcy Savage, Bob Maier, Rachel Shangle, Mark Anderle, and Bill Goodfellow

**Members Absent:** Rob Steffens

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE BUSINESS AGENDA:**

Add, Hank Montgomery bringing the cemetery sign to the meeting for approval.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

David Anderson, Representative for Senator MacGregor was there to let us know he is willing to address any concerns we may have.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Moved by Maier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Goodfellow to approve minutes of May 12, 2016.

**Carried 6-0**

Moved by Goodfellow to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Maier to approve treasurer's report.

**Carried 6-0**

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**1. Approval of the Bills**

Motion to approve the bills by Goodfellow, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shangle.

**Carried 6-0**

**2. Downtown Parking Lot – Julius Suchy**

Suchy presented a plan to improve the Nash Creek area and Arches Parking lot. The DDA has met with business owners to find out their needs and concerns. The DDA has come up with a plan that can be done in 4 phases. There are no plans to do anything unless they can obtain grants for each phase of the project. The main objective of the plan is to make the parking lot safer and pedestrian friendly.

**3. Cemetery Sign**

Hank Montgomery brought by the sign the boys club at Trinity Christian Reformed Church had made for our cemeteries to see if we approved of the design or had any suggestions on how to make it better. The board gave a couple suggestions. The TCRC club will be making 2 more for us to place in the cemeteries.

**4. Request for a Joint Meeting to Discuss Fire Agreement**

Kristi Dougan, President of the Village Council, communicated to the board the need to have a joint meeting with the Village Council and the Township Board to go over the joint fire agreement and to jointly review and revise it. Dougan stated that it would be mostly going through procedure and protocols of budgeting and record keeping. A proposed date of July 26 was agreed to, subject to Village Council availability.

## **5. Computer Quotes**

Savage presented the board with two quotes for new laptop computers for the elections and a quote to replace the Deputy Treasurer's computer. Mark made a motion to purchase 4 of the Dell Inspiron 15 3000 at \$289.00, through Ocean Inc. and to purchase the 3 Honeywell scanners to go with them and new mice. It was seconded by Goodfellow. **Carried 6-0**

Shangle made a motion to go with Omega's quote of \$1477.00 to replace the Deputy Treasurer's computer and it was seconded by Maier.

**Carried 6-0**

## **6. Building Department Compensation**

Shangle made a motion to increase the building inspector's salary to \$22,500 effective July 1<sup>st</sup> 2016, seconded by Anderle.

**Carried 6-0**

## **7. Bub Hale Recognition of 50 years of service as Sexton**

Savage presented Resolution 16-8 to honor Bub Hale for 50 years of service. It was also discussed to purchase a plaque and to present these to him at a small open house before our next Township Board meeting. A motion was made by Goodfellow to approve Resolution 16-8 and was seconded by Maier.

**Carried 6-0**

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

None

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn by Goodfellow and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shangle.

**Carried 6-0**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marcy Savage, Sparta Township Clerk