

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Sparta Township Board
CIVIC CENTER
75 N. Union, Sparta
AND
On Line Zoom Meeting 7:00
July 9, 2020

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

Members Present: Dale Bergman, Rachel Shangle, Chad Momber, Marcy Savage, Bill Goodfellow, Jason Bradford and Rob Steffens

Also Present: Attorney Bloom and Planner Posillico

Members Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

#6 Plumbing and Mechanical Inspector

#7 Dickenson Wright Bill

Motion made by Steffens and 2nd by Shangle to approve the agenda with the additions.

Carried 7-0

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lynn Afendoulis spoke about her campaign for State Representative.

Sue W. had some questions for the village.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bergman requested a change in #7 Cemetery trees. Replace the word "it" with "Greenwood Cemetery"

Moved by Shangle, 2nd by Steffens to approve the minutes of the June 11th, 2020 meeting with the change.

Carried 7-0

Moved by Goodfellow and 2nd by Momber to approve the Treasurer's report.

Carried 7-0

BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Approval of the Bills

Motion to approve payment of the bills by Momber, 2nd by Shangle.

Carried 7-0

2. Road Closure Request

Camp Lake Association is requesting the roads to be closed for a 5K road race on September 7, 2020 for 8:30 am-10:15am. It was moved by Goodfellow and 2nd by Steffens to approve the Road closure for the 5K race.

Carried 7-0

3. Hidden Prairie Discussion

Bergman gave a presentation on the South Sparta LLC Development. Bergman asked the board to send it back to the planning commission because he did not like the mining taking place in a residential area where families would be living. After much discussion the Board decided it would be best to move it forward to the public hearing so all changes could be made at the same time. It was motioned by Goodfellow to set up a public hearing for the South Sparta LLC Development at our next Board meeting on August 13th. It was seconded by Momber. There was a roll call vote taken, Bradford-YES, Steffens-YES, Shangle-YES, Goodfellow-YES, Momber-YES, Bergman-YES, Savage was not included. **Carried 6-0**

4. IT Specialist-Zoom Coordinator

It was the consensus of the Board use the suggested IT specialist Cody Angell as recommended by Gary Glass to fill in if needed for any IT concerns, during Gary's illness.

5. Library Heating and Air Conditioning Quotes

The Township received quotes from Vandyken and Orchard Hill to replace the furnace and air conditioner in the Library. Shangle made a motion to go with Orchard Hill Mechanical for \$13,930.00, it was seconded by Momber.

Carried 7-0

6. Plumbing and Mechanical Inspector

The current Plumbing and Mechanical Inspector will be retiring September 1, 2020. It was the consensus of the Board to hire Vince Millito to do the Plumbing and Mechanical inspecting for the Township.

7. Dickinson, Wright Attorney Bill

Dickinson, Wright had done some tax appeal work for Sparta Terraces and the Spectrum Health matter. Due to a misunderstanding our Attorney, Cliff Bloom, thought we were getting billed monthly. The bill was received a year after it started in a lump sum. There was also a mistake found on the bill. The final bill is \$9290.00. It was motioned by Goodfellow and seconded by Shangle to pay the corrected invoice to Dickinson Wright.

Carried 7-0

OTHER INFORMATION

Goodfellow asked if the Township could apply for the grant through the Cares Act. Shangle said she had looked at it and it was more something the Fire Department, as first responders, would qualify for so she had forwarded it to Bergman, the Fire Board Chairman. Goodfellow requested someone look at it again. Shangle said she would.

Clean-up days are July 30,31 and Aug 1, 2020.

Steffens gave an update on the park.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Savage and 2nd by Momber.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcy Savage, Sparta Township Clerk