

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Sparta Township Board
160 E. Division - Sparta MI 49345
July 13, 2017

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

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

Members Absent: Jason Bradford

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE BUSINESS AGENDA:

Additions #2 Medical Marijuana presentation, Craig A. Aronoff. It was moved by Goodfellow to approve the agenda with the additions, seconded by Shangle.

Carried 6-0

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT:

Moved by Shangle, 2nd by Steffens to approve minutes of June 8, 2017

Carried 6-0

Moved by Steffens, 2nd by Momber to approve treasurer's report.

Carried 6-0

BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Approval of the Bills

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

Carried 6-0

2. Medical Marijuana Presentation, Craig A. Aronoff

Craig A. Aronoff, attorney from Cannabis Legal Group did a presentation on the new medical marijuana laws. Aronoff was representing Jason Blaauw who is looking to be a grower and a processor of marijuana in Sparta Township and would like the Board to consider passing an ordinance so that he may do so.

3. Sewer District Discussion

John Bitely from Sable Development would like the Board to consider putting in a sewer system in the Alpine corridor so it could be further developed. He would build the system and turn over the maintenance and the upkeep to the township.

Carried 6-0

4. Park Property Acquisition

Goodfellow made a motion to have Dale talk to the grant writer about applying for a grant to purchase the Ostman property for the park.

Failed 3-3

(Bergman, Shangle and Savage declining)

5. Resolution for S.R.A. Line of Credit

Goodfellow made a motion to approve Resolution 17-8, to give approval to the Sparta Recreational Authority to establish a line of credit with Choice One Bank. It was seconded by Shangle.

Carried 6-0

6. Planning Commission, Mark VanderWerff, Reappointment until 9/2018

Shangle made a motion to reappoint Mark Vanderwerff to planning commission until 9/2018, it was seconded by Goodfellow.

Carried 6-0

7. Pathfinder quote for Cemetery Mapping

Steffens made a motion to pay Pathfinder \$750.00 for the map of Myers Cemetery and to pay \$1000.00 each for the remaining 3 cemeteries, seconded by Shangle.

Carried 6-0

OTHER INFORMATION

Shangle made a motion to hand out popsicles instead of watermelon this year at Town and Country Days. It was seconded by Savage.

Carried 5-1

(Bergman declining)

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Steffens and 2nd by Shangle

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcy Savage, Sparta Township Clerk