

**SPRINGVALE TOWNSHIP
JUNE 2019
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

The Springvale Township Board met in regular session on Tuesday, June 11, 2019, 7:30 PM at the Springvale Township Hall, 8198 East Mitchell Road. There were 8 visitors present.

CALL TO ORDER 7:30 PM by Township Supervisor, Tom Whipp.

Moment of Silence Observed in memory of recent shooting victims in Virginia Beach, VA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SHOW CAUSE HEARING 1769 Hency Rd

Per recommendation of Springvale Township Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEA), Becky Fettig, this hearing is being tabled due to health issues of owner along with weather conditions that prohibit moving cars from property.

ROLL CALL by Pat McCune, Clerk

Tom Whipp, Supervisor	Present	Becky Fettig, Trustee	Present
Dawn DeRue, Treasurer	Present		
Patricia McCune, Clerk	Present		

SPRINGVALE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE VACANCY

The following Springvale Township residents expressed interest in assuming the Springvale Township Trustee vacancy created by the resignation of Springvale Township Trustee, Marilyn Harris:

Brenda Brosseau
Alyce Conrad
Julie Poquette

A secret ballot containing the three candidates' names was distributed to all Springvale Township Board members so each member could cast their vote for one candidate. Springvale Township Fire Chief, Bob Stark, opened the ballots and recorded the votes as follows:

Brenda Brosseau – 2
Julie Poquette – 2

A second round of secret ballots containing the three candidates' names was distributed to all Springvale Township Board members so each member could cast their vote for one candidate. Emmet County Commissioner, Bill Shorter, opened the ballots and recorded the votes as follows:

Brenda Brosseau – 2
Julie Poquette – 2

Supervisor Whipp tabled a final vote to attempt to break the tie until the end of the meeting

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- **May 2019 Regular Board meeting minutes**
- **Payment of bills** – Pat McCune, Clerk
- **Clerk/Treasurer’s Report** – Pat McCune, Clerk and Dawn DeRue, Treasurer

Motion made by Trustee, Becky Fettig to approve Consent Agenda Items. Motion supported by Clerk, Pat McCune. Board unanimously approved Consent Agenda Items.

VERBAL REPORTS

- **Springvale Township Fire Department (STFD)** – Robert Stark, Fire Chief
 - STFD May Drill focused on equipment training
 - STFD June Drill focused on water shuttle training
 - DNR grant paperwork has been submitted, STFD is waiting for disbursement of awarded money.
 - STFD will be working with Emmet County Road Commission (ECRC) to redesign the fill site on Maxwell Rd. by adding stairs to access the fill site.
 - Revenue Sharing Grants will be less than past funding with first priority to public safety.
- **Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEO)** – Becky Fettig
 - Reviewed June 2019 Blight Ordinance Report
- **Lake Level Committee** – Bill Shorter

During this time of year, locks are closed during the day but are open during the evening. Water levels are high.

- **Emmet County Report** - Bill Shorter, Emmet County Commissioner

2020 Emmet County (EC) budget discussions are ongoing. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) are experiencing funding concerns, Emmet County may need to request a small tax increase to support EMS during the next November election. The next EC budget meeting will be held on Thursday, June 27th at 6 PM to continue to discuss these issues.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Springvale Township Hall and Fire Hall Parking Lot**

Springvale Township Hall and Springvale Township Fire Hall parking lot will be resealed and striped in mid-July 2019.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Loan Agreement with Berry Creek Home Owners Association**

Emmet County Road Commission (ECRC) has completed the majority of Berry Creek Road paving project. Culverts still need to be completed.

Springvale Township will loan money from the Springvale Township Improvement Fund to Berry Creek Home Owners Association to pay ECRC for the Berry Creek Road pavement project. A representative of the Berry Creek Home Owners Association, Ronald Melchert, has signed a Site Development Loan Agreement stating that

members of the Berry Creek Home Owners Association will repay Springvale Township for this loan over a 14 year period at 3% interest.

Treasurer, Dawn DeRue, made a motion to accept the Site Development Loan Agreement signed by Berry Creek Home Owners Association representative, Ronald Melchert. Trustee, Becky Fettig, supported the motion. Board unanimously approved.

➤ **Special Assessment District Public Act 188 of 1954**

Trustee, Becky Fettig, made a motion to support a resolution to create a Berry Creek Road Special Assessment District in accordance with Public Act 188 of 1954. Clerk, Pat McCune, supported the motion. Board unanimously approved.

➤ **Warrant for Collection**

Clerk, Pat McCune, made a motion to support a resolution to create a Warrant for Collection for the Assessment Role of the Berry Creek Home Owners Association. Treasurer, Dawn DeRue, supported the motion. Board unanimously approved.

➤ **Announcement**

Supervisor Whipp received a document from ECRC that outlines ECRC permit fee increases

SPRINGVALE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE VACANCY

A third round of secret ballots containing the three candidates' names was distributed to all Springvale Township Board members so each member could cast their vote for one candidate. Emmet County Prosecuting Attorney, Stuart L. Fenton, opened the ballots and recorded the votes as follows:

Brenda Brosseau – 2

Julie Poquette – 2

Since the voting remained tied after a third vote, Supervisor Whipp tabled the appointment until the July 2019 Regular Board meeting.

COMMENTS FROM FLOOR

Per Alyce Conrad, Curtiss Cemetery has large branches over back fence. Supervisor Whipp will contact Northern Lawn Service to take care of this as part of their cemetery maintenance.

Per Trails End Resident, what is the time frame for paving Trails End and when will dust control be applied? Per Supervisor Whipp, work would include raising manhole covers and is being placed on hold based on a request from ECRC since this work would be included in the road paving bid. If Springvale Township Board agrees to pave this area next year, this work along with paving Trails End and Artesian would be part of the project. Northern Michigan Dust Control has been contacted and will apply dust cover this week.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD

ADJOURN 8:19 PM by Supervisor, Tom Whipp

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whipp. Springvale Township Deputy Clerk

_____, Springvale Township Clerk

Approved by Springvale Township Board on _____