

SPRINGVALE TOWNSHIP
May 9, 2023
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Springvale Township Board met in regular session on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 7:00 PM, at the Springvale Township Hall, 8198 East Mitchell Road. There were nine visitors present.

CALL TO ORDER 7:00 PM by Township Supervisor, Randy McCune.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL by Pat McCune, Clerk

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| Randy McCune, Supervisor | Present | Becky Fettig, Trustee | Present |
| Dawn DeRue, Treasurer | Present | Kyle Ulrich, Trustee | Present |
| Patricia McCune, Clerk | Present | | |

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of the April Board meeting minutes: no comments

Payment of bills: no comments

Clerk and Treasurer's Report: Becky Fettig made the motion to accept Consent Agenda Items, Pat McCune seconded. Unanimous approval.

The auditor will be present this month on May 23 and 24.

St. Francis CD coming up for renewal. Treasurer, Dawn DeRue recommended it be rolled over to a 13-month CD. Also, Dawn suggested that some money from the general fund would be better utilized and protected by establishing an additional CD; several financial institutions were presented with varying interest rates. 4 Front Credit Union was recommended. Becky Fettig made a motion to move the CD resources as Dawn DeRue recommends. Kyle Ulrich seconded.

Roll Call Vote: all approved.

VERBAL REPORTS

Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEO): see attached report. Becky Fettig, OEO officer, is working with more properties with the coming of Spring.

Lake level reports: Randy McCune reported that the locks are functioning, and boaters have been on the lakes. Bill Shorter stated that the water levels are high but he is working with Emmet County to get that solved.

Fire Dept. Report: Randy McCune reported on the department. Joy Cemetery well is in place. Also, a date has been set for treating the outside of the water storage tank to be placed underground at Joy Cemetery. Fire truck selection process is slowly progressing--not close to a decision. New electrical work being done for Fire Dept well arrangements.

OLD BUSINESS

Update on Township Park Renovation: Randy reported for Dekevin Thornton, a \$15,000 grant has been acquired. The process is coming along nicely.

Cemetery/Firehall wells: New wells are in at both cemeteries. Firman Electric will be working on the electrical needs of each site.

Dust Control: Randy discussed road conditions with residents present. Roy Road is next on Emmet County's agenda for improvement including trailhead parking on the south end of the road.

NEW BUSINESS

Compensation Policy Revision: Pat McCune is concerned about linking compensation increases to the CPI (Consumer Price Index) as requested by the assessors' agreement document. The discussion followed that any increase in salary will need to be evaluated annually when the compensation policy is established for the fiscal year. Pat McCune made a motion to increase the assessors' compensation to \$2500 per month, rather than the stated \$2590 in the agreement, and remove the annual CPI increase portion from the document. Dawn DeRue seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.

Resurface Townhall Parking Lot-Driveway: The first estimate for improvements was \$29,900. Topic tabled as more bids are sought.

Electric Work for New Well at Townhall: Estimate by Firman for the new well at the Townhall/Fire Department well. Pat McCune moved to accept the bid, Kyle Ulrich seconded. All approved.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD: Randy McCune stated the culvert issue at Trails End is under discussion with plans to correct. A new culvert will be put in and will be discussed next Spring to re-assess the effects.

COMMENTS FROM FLOOR: Len and Becky Maendal, Mark Hoffman, and Larry Mann share their information concerning life without proper culvert installation. Bill Shorter commented concerning the property damage to the power line easement on his property. His needs are being addressed by the power company.

Adjournment: 8:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Rambow, Springvale Township Deputy Clerk

_____, Springvale Township Clerk
Approved by Springvale Township Board on _____