

SPRINGVALE TOWNSHIP
September 12, 2023
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Springvale Township Board met in regular session on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, 7:00 PM, at the Springvale Township Hall, 8198 East Mitchell Road. There were five visitors present.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL by Pat McCune, Clerk

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 August Board Meeting minutes: no comments

Payment of Bills: no comments

Clerk and Treasurer's Report: Pat McCune discussed turning in the balance sheet report (bills and payments) for reimbursement on the prior approved \$15,000 grant from Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation for Township Park renovation that is nearing completion this summer.

Becky Fettig made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda Items, Dawn DeRue seconded, all in favor of accepting the reports.

VERBAL REPORTS

Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEO): see attached report. Becky Fettig, OEO officer

Lake level reports: Randy reported with regard to the difficulty of getting parts to fix the Corp of Engineers' lock at Alanson this summer.

Fire Dept. Report: Randy McCune reported on the department. The underground water tank at Joy Cemetery is close to completion, looks good.

OLD BUSINESS

Township Park: Dekevin Thornton reported that most of Township Park endeavors have been accomplished.

Champion's Road Dust Problem: Plans are being created for a possible solution to the concerns expressed at the August Board Meeting regarding the volume of dust due to the abundant traffic in the vicinity of the boat launch.

Pavement Progress Hall/Firehall: The contractor has not done the quality of job that the Board expected. The discussion that followed includes plans to correct the quality.

NEW BUSINESS

Township Road meeting with Emmet County Road Commission is Thurs. Oct. 12, 7:30 at ECRC office. Township Board encouraged to be there.

Roy Road Project for Summer 2024: Lots of negative feedback from off-site residents concerned that Ellsworth and Mitchell Roads should have been completed first. Roy Road is a Springvale Township road; Ellsworth and Mitchell Roads are Emmet County’s responsibility. See the attached bidding documentation concerning the 2024 Roy Road project. Supervisor Randy McCune tabled the discussion for a future meeting once certain questions can be explored.

Land Division Ordinance (Emily): Emily Selph, Springvale Township Assessor, has reworked the prior Ordinance with the attorney’s assistance correcting statements to be in line with current laws and regulations. See attached Ordinance.

Becky Fettig made the motion to approve **Land Division Ordinance #2023091201**, Dawn DeRue seconded. Roll call vote--all in favor.

Budget Report (Amendments): Pat McCune reported a need to increase the budget for Parks and Recreation—Other Services and Charges. Township Park renovation project expenses have risen above the original FY2023-24 budget.

Becky Fettig made a motion to increase the budget item from \$6,000 to \$30,000, Kyle Ulrich Seconded. Roll Call Vote, all approved.

Another budget item needing increase is the Fire Department--Services and Charges. The underground water storage tank has added expenses beyond the projected line item costs.

Becky Fettig made a motion to increase the budget from \$5,500 to \$20,000. Pat McCune Seconded. Roll Call Vote--all approved.

Election: Petoskey Schools millage proposal election on November 7, 2023.

Need Replacement Board of Review Member: Judy Evans has requested to fill the vacant position. Becky Fettig made a motion to approve Judy Evans for Board of Review member to replace Stan Royalty, Kyle Ulrich seconded. All in favor.

Channel Road Sign: Supervisor has been asked by the owner of the property to remove the flashing speed warning sign toward the end of Channel Road. The previously agreed-upon location has become objectionable to the owner due to the 24/7 flashing lights. It also seems that the sign has not really assisted in slowing traffic speeds through the area. Sign will be moved; site to be determined.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: Concerns expressed regarding quality of shoulder-of-the-road mowing by the County.

Support expressed for dust control measures to be made at Champion corner. Comments were made regarding the culvert scheduled to be installed on Trails End Road.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:

Adjournment: 8:26 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Rambow, Springvale Township Deputy Clerk

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