

SPRINGVALE TOWNSHIP
October 10, 2023
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Springvale Township Board met in regular session on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 7:00 PM, at the Springvale Township Hall, 8198 East Mitchell Road. There were three 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 September Board Meeting minutes: no comments

Payment of bills: no comments

Clerk and Treasurer’s Report: Pat McCune shared that an adjustment was needed for Printing and Publishing account in the budget. Pat suggested the account be increased from \$700 to \$1000 to cover the expense of publishing the Land Division Ordinance. Becky Fettig made a motion to increase the budget as Pat suggested, Dawn DeRue seconded. All approved the increase.

Dawn DeRue, Treasurer, shared that a CD is maturing and suggested that it be rolled over to a 25-month CD. All Board members approved the 25-month CD as the best option listed on the handout.

Becky Fettig made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda Items, Kyle Ulrich seconded. All approved.

VERBAL REPORTS

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

Lake Level Reports: Randy McCune reported on the lock status on Crooked River.

Fire Dept. Report: Ed Sutfin, Fire Chief, reported on the status of the Joy Cemetery reserve water storage. Fire Dept. is planning to review fire truck purchase options the first of the year.

OLD BUSINESS

Township Park: Gate has been installed. Waiting for delivery of tables and benches. Note the attached estimate for the sign showing “thank you” to the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation for the \$15,000 grant funds we received from them for Township Park. Becky Fettig made a motion to accept the estimated cost of the “thank you” sign, Pat McCune seconded. Pat McCune proposed to use ARPA Funds to cover the balance of our expenses—over and above the \$15,000 grant funds—for the development of the Township Park. Board will table that decision until completing the other projects using ARPA funds and in case we want the ARPA funds for something else.

Roy Road Project Summer 2024: Kyle Ulrich expressed concerns over funding to finish the south half of Roy Road. Board will explore other options first. Decision is tabled.

Reminder ECRC meeting for Roy Rd. Oct.12th at 7:30. ECRC Building:

Road Bid for cost of paving near the corner of Trails End Road and Artesian Lane: At a previous Board Meeting, Brian Champion explained how the activity at the Boat Launch creates so much dust near the corner of Trails End Road and Artesian Lane. Emmet County estimated a cost of \$54,600 to pave a very short portion of each gravel road near that corner. DeKevin Thornton stated that most of dust comes from Artesian Lane at that corner. This project will need to be accomplished at a later time—not in 2024.

Heaton Road Maple Tree: Discussion concerns preserving the Pioner Maple Tree along Heaton Rd. In order to preserve the tree, which is 11 feet in circumference, the road must take a jog to the side requiring the need to purchase land on the opposite side of the road from the maple. Little Traverse Conservancy has picked up the project and needs a statement assuring them that the Township Board is in support of protecting this tree. Supervisor McCune passed around a document which all members signed in support. Supervisor McCune will deliver it to the Conservancy in person.

NEW BUSINESS

Name of New Road [Pinewood Trail.] off Hopper Road on development project by Matt

Bricker: Kyle Ulrich made the motion to accept the name Pinewood Trail, Pat McCune seconded, all were in favor.

Security Light and Camera for the new AV Ballot Box: Kyle Ulrich made a motion to accept the estimate for the materials and labor to install the security light and camera. Becky Fettig seconded, all approved.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:

Adjournment: 8:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Rambow, Springvale Township Deputy Clerk

_____, Springvale Township Clerk

Approved by Springvale Township Board on _____