

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Spring Lake Township Board of Trustees
October 13, 2014**

A meeting of the Spring Lake Township Board of Trustees was held at the Spring Lake Township Hall at 106 S. Buchanan, Spring Lake, MI 49456.

6:00pm Work session: Library Board Report; Discussion on proposed legislation to repeal the fireworks law

1. Call to Order/Roll Call of the Board:

Supervisor Nash called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Present: John Nash, Carolyn Boersma, Jim Koster, Larry Mierle, Rachel Terpstra

Absent: Rick Homan, Ron Lindquist

Participants: Gordon Gallagher, Spring Lake Township Manager; Ron Bultje, Spring Lake Township Attorney

2. Invocation and Pledge:

Supervisor Nash opened the meeting with a spiritual reading and the pledge of allegiance.

3. Public Comment:

Public comment was opened at 7:02pm and closed at 7:12pm. One comment was offered at this time.

4. Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Mierle, support by Terpstra to approve the agenda as written. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda:

Motion by Mierle, support by Terpstra to approve the consent agenda. With a unanimous vote the motion carried.

- a. Approve September 13, 2014 Regular Minutes
- b. Approve payment of all fund bills
- c. Receive September 2014 Financials

6. OCRC – Report on November 4 Millage Request

Brett Laughlin, Director of the Ottawa County Road Commission, presented a report on the county road conditions and cost associated with their upkeep.

7. Disc Golf Report

Pav Underhill gave a report on the progress of the disc golf course that was set up on the Township Wilson Rd property.

8. Updated Leaf Processing Agreement

Bottoms Up Topsoil is a company that mixes dredge material with composted leaves. This product is possible because of a cooperative arrangement between the 5 communities in NW Ottawa County. In 2009 a 5-year agreement was entered into to share in the cost of leaf recycling and associated equipment. The agreement is up for renewal and was approved at the September Board meeting; however, there was an updated version which should have been approved instead. **Motion** by Boersma, support by Mierle to approve the updated agreement at a cost of \$3200 the first year, with a \$200 increase each year to year 5 at a cost of \$4000; and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the appropriate documents. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

9. Seal Bond Lease Request

Seal Bond has had discussion with Manager Gallagher about possibly purchasing or leasing an acre of property on 150th. The Board would like other options to be pursued before an agreement is considered.

10. Board Reports

A time for information sharing was given to various Board members.

11. Pump Station 30 Bids

PS 30 is one of the few pump stations that had not been replaced and is in need of repair. Bids have been received and the recommendation from the Township Engineer is to award the bid to Jackson Mercky at a cost of \$119,410.00. **Motion** by Mierle, support by Terpstra to approve the bid from Jackson Mercky as submitted. [RC] With Nash as the dissenting vote the motion carried.

12. Sanctuary at St Lazare Contract

The Planning Commission finished their review of the development project. The final step is the consideration of a contract between the Township and Development company that sets the terms and conditions of the development approval granted by the Township. **Motion** by Terpstra, support by Mierle to approve and authorize the supervisor and clerk to sign the agreement. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

13. 168th Ave Bike Path Agreement

By previous action the Board has approved the cost of building a bike path along 168th Ave between West Spring Lake and VanWagoner roads. A portion of this path is in the City of Ferrysburg. This is an agreement to reimburse Ferrysburg for improvement costs for the bike path in Spring Lake Township. **Motion** by Mierle, support by Terpstra to approve and authorize the Manager to sign the Agreement. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

14. Reports

A time for information sharing was given to the Supervisor and Manager.

Manager Gallagher reported that the neighbors to the south of the new Sanctuary at St Lazare project would also like to connect to sewer that is being put in if it were extended to accommodate them. West Michigan Dirtworks is putting the new sewer in for St Lazare and quoted \$112,369.85 for the laterals and pump station. **Motion** by Boersma, support by Terpstra to accept the bid from West Michigan Dirtworks for the Walborn sewer extension. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

15. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Carolyn Boersma, CMC
Spring Lake Township Clerk