

Spencer Township Trustee Meeting January 5, 2017

Trustee Hood called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Trustee Michael B. Hood	present
Trustee Teresa M. Bettinger	present
Trustee Shawn P. Valentine	present

Pledge to the Flag

Moment of Silence for past Trustee Curt Lancaster

Reorganization

Fiscal Officer declared all offices vacant and asked for nominations for the Chairman of the Board.

Trustee Bettinger nominated Trustee Valentine as the Chairman of the Board, Trustee Hood seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: abstain.

Trustee Bettinger nominated Trustee Hood as the Vice Chairman of the Board, Trustee Valentine seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Bettinger nominated Trustee Hood to cover the Road department, Trustee Valentine seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Valentine made a motion to nominate Trustee Bettinger to cover the zoning department, Trustee Hood seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Bettinger made a motion for Trustee Valentine to cover the fire department, Trustee Hood seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Valentine assumed the position of Chairman of the Board.

Minutes

Trustee Hood made a motion to accept the minutes, Trustee Bettinger seconded.
Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Financials

Payments	\$180,396.09
Receipts	\$434,310.88

Fund Status

General	\$1,341,984.43
Motor Veh. Lic.	\$14,314.11
Gas Tax	\$31,146.24
Fire	\$128,303.21
Perm. Motor Veh.	\$66,824.44
Misc Spec. Revenue	<u>\$483.60</u>
	\$1,583,056.03

Zoning

Zoning Inspector, Dean Croskey gave the report.
Permits were issued throughout the month.

There were no violations for the month. There are 3 houses that need to be torn down in the Township; one of the houses is in probate court currently. There was discussion on this matter. The Zoning Inspector will get bids for the razing of the 3 properties not to exceed \$35,000. He will use the Toledo Blade and the Holland Journal. Trustee Hood made the motion, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Hood made the motion for the advertising, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Road

Road Superintendent, Dean Croskey gave the report.
There were snow plowing and maintenance issues with one of the vehicles in the road department. Ice guards were installed on the awning. The water line project has been put on hold.

Trustee Valentine asked for a map of where our high power lines are located. Mr. Croskey will look into this matter.

BZA

No meeting

Fire

JEDZ

No meeting.

Correspondence

Correspondence from the Lucas County Land Bank was reviewed for property at 9833 Frankfort. The property has now been acquired by the MetroParks.

A notice of change in tax value was received from the Lucas County Auditor for 1510 Raab Road. The new assessed value is \$990. The taxes will remain the same around \$25/half.

The amended certificate of estimated resources was received from the Lucas County Auditor for 2017. The turnover is complete for 2017 so the Township will receive the Amended Certificate for 2017.

Transportation

Trustee Bettinger explained the bus will leave the Spencer Neighborhood Center at 7:00am to Wal-Mart and another trip at 9:30 to Wal-Mart. The evening bus will leave Wal-Mart at 6:00pm and drop off at the Neighborhood Center. By appointment the bus will leave either the Neighborhood Center or Walmart at noon. The sign at the fire station will be used to advertise.

Resident, Carol Shull asked for clarification on the trips. She also asked about clarifications on dimensions.

Old Business

A job description for the road superintendent was discussed. Trustee Hood made a motion to allow \$16/hour with a 3% increase yearly, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

The hours of work for Dean Croskey, road department, will vary based on the weather. He will be given 8 personal days per year with no sick days. Trustee Hood made the motion, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

He will be paid time and a half for any time worked over 8 hours. Trustee Hood made the motion, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

The contract for the roof on the shelter house at the fire station was awarded to Mike Varanese. Trustee Hood made the motion, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

The letter of interest from Jacky Dale requesting to be reappointed to the BZA Board was brought forward. Trustee Valentine suggested tabling any Board positions until more qualified people can be brought forward. The position on the BZA will remain open.

New Business

Discussion was opened on a security system to be installed at the Town Hall. Mr. Croskey will look into this.

Mr. Baum will update the website to solicit emails from the residents or any interested party.

Trustees Valentine, Hood and Road Superintendent Croskey will attend the TMACOG luncheon on January 30, 2017.

Open to the Public

A question from Tony Bettinger was asked if cable television was necessary at the fire station. The Board agreed it was necessary.

Carol Shull, resident, asked about clarification on the Board positions. She feels the Board is sending a mixed message in not encouraging community members to be on the Boards. Trustee Valentine stated going forward the Trustee Board will place people on Boards that are in the best interest of the Township. Ms. Shull asked if there were going to be qualifications to participate on Boards. Trustee Valentine agreed there should be a job description.

Jacky Dale spoke on her Board petition and she stated the Trustees never followed through on her initial appointment. She is offended that her petition was not accepted.

Trustee Valentine said his goal is to find qualified and capable candidates to serve on our Boards. The candidates need to have experience. Ms. Shull disagreed this was not the correct way in an open meeting to establish a new rule. Trustee Hood said the Board needs to be consistent.

Jack Gulvas, resident, stated the Zoning book does not state a secretary is a part of the Board. Trustee Valentine will get with Mr. Borell to see if an amendment can be made to the book.

Mrs. Debbie Bettinger, resident, asked how the ditch cleaning was coming in the Township. Trustee Valentine gave an update, he has been in conversation with Brian Miller, Lucas County Engineering, for cleaning and there will be mosquito prevention work done in the spring also.

Ray Pawlaczyk mentioned a fire trail would be beneficial for the Parks.

Carol Shull stated the community appreciates CTS, but losing TARTA did remove TARPS from the community. Trustee Bettinger informed the public anyone on Medicaid will be provided transportation free of charge from CTS for Doctors visits. Trustee Valentine state transportation in an under utilized resource in the community. He also stated TARTA refused to take us back unless it was on the tax logs.

Kate Roth, resident, asked what are the qualifications to be a Trustee. Trustee Valentine explained there are no qualifications, it's mandated in the Ohio Revised Code.

Trustee Hood made a motion to adjourn, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

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Dawn E. McDonald
Fiscal Officer

X

Shawn P. Valentine
Chairman of the Board of Trustees

X

Michael B. Hood
Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees

X

Teresa M. Bettinger
Trustee

