

# Spencer Township Trustee Meeting November 3, 2016

Trustee Michael B. 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

## Minutes

Trustee Valentine made a motion to accept the minutes from October 6 and October 20 with any necessary corrections. Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

## Financials

Receipts:	\$30,369.70
Payments:	\$32,732.13

## Fund Balances

General	\$1,175,070.04
Fire	\$ 56,682.00
Motor Vehicle	\$ 15,377.76
Gas Tax	\$ 57,132.75
Permissive Motor	<u>\$ 27,009.46</u>
	\$1,331,272.01

## Pay the Bills

Trustee Valentine made a motion to pay the bills, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

## Zoning Report

No meeting Chair, Jack Gulvas reported. There was discussion on the Zoning Commission Board assignments. The Board will call to see if Martin Scherzer wants to remain on the Board since his term expired.

## **BZA Report**

No meeting Jacky Dale reported was held. The Board acknowledged receipt of Jacky Dale's request to remain on the BZA Board.

Dean Croskey gave the zoning report. He reported on violations that were issued for the month.

## **Road Report**

Leaf flyers will be distributed in Oak Grove Estates for fall leaf pickup.

The roof on the fire department shelter house was revisited. The Township did receive one bid.

Mr. Croskey wanted to bring up employment contracts for the road employees.

## **Land Use**

No report

## **Fire**

Springfield Fire Chief, Barry Cousino presented the attached fire report.

## **JEDZ**

The Trustee Board will need to work with Whitehouse on a date that fits both parties.

Trustee Valentine made a motion to go into executive session to discuss a legal matter at 7:28pm, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Valentine made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:36pm, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Bettinger read a resolution regarding the Supreme Court case that involved Spencer Township. The resolution is in regard to the time when Trustee Valentine was deployed on military duty. The resolution is attached.

Trustee Bettinger made the motion to accept the resolution, Trustee Hood seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: abstain.

## **Correspondence**

No correspondence

## **Old Business**

Resolution 2016-1103 was read that enables the Township to levy 0 mills for 2017 of fire levy voted on 5/7/1985 and fire the fire levy voted on 11/4/1997. Trustee Valentine made the motion to accept the resolution, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Jim Baum reported the website is done he needs more information to go further.

## **New Business**

Dean Croskey submitted a letter of resignation from the Zoning Inspector position as of December 31, 2016. There was discussion on the resignation.

There was discussion on the resignation as Zoning Inspector. The Board wishes to advertise to get the right person for this position.

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

The Board decided the position would be advertised in the Toledo Blade.

## **Open to the Public**

Kate Roth, resident asked for clarification on the Supreme Court resolution. Trustee Valentine explained the resolution. The Township will have to pay legal fees of around \$8,500.

Dean Anderson, resident, asked if decisions by the Board made were legal. It was explained the decisions the Board made were legal because the Trustees were lawful.

Rena Lancaster, resident, asked why does the Township have to pay Trustee Valentine's legal fees. It was explained.

Jacky Dale, resident, asked since contracts have to be bid out, why was the Township allowed to contract with Springfield Fire without a contract. Trustee Valentine explained the Board approved the Fire contract.

Mr. Anderson asked about the brush truck. Trustee Valentine has to give the numbers to Springfield.

Jack Gulvas, resident, asked about the progress of Frankfort Road.

Ray Palawczyk asked about the Township's involvement with the proposed rail yard in Swanton Township. Trustee Valentine advised them to get into contact with Trustee Michael.

Rena Lancaster thanked the Trustee Hood for the repaving of Eber Road.

Kate Roth asked about the status of the land use committee. Trustee Hood explained it has been dismantled. She wanted to know would the Township continue to do something with the Land Use idea. Trustee Hood explained Trustee Valentine was working with BGSU. Trustee Valentine explained BGSU is still working on this.

Jacky Dale explained the land use planning committee she sat on recommended going with Poggemeyer.

Jacky Dale asked what are the upcoming plans for 2017.

Ms. King, resident, asked if public transportation is being looked into for the Township. Ms. King explained transportation service is needed for the Township to grow. There was discussion on the matter.

Trustee Hood asked everyone to keep in mind everything is not a matter of dollar and cents. The Board needs to look out for everyone in the Township without squandering money away.

Trustee Hood mentioned he is proud of his track record in Spencer Township. He has been involved in all progress in the Township over the past 30 years.

Trustee Bettinger informed there are 5 homes that use the TARTA service.

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

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Dawn E. McDonald  
Fiscal Officer

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Michael B. Hood  
Chairman of the Board of Trustees

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Teresa M. Bettinger  
Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees

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Shawn P. Valentine  
Trustee