

**MINUTES OF THE
Regular Meeting of the Spencer Township Board
Spencer Township Hall
Tuesday, August 15, 2017
7:30 p.m.**

1. Supervisor Knapp called the meeting to order.

Present: Knapp, Wood, Wright, Fase & Baas

Absent: none

Also Present: Fire Chief Wright and other interested parties.

2. Supervisor Knapp led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Approval of July 18, 2017 Minutes:

Motion was made by Wood and supported by Fase. Motion carried.

4. Approval of payment of bills:

Motion was made by Wood and supported by Fase. Motion carried.

5. Baas presented the Financial Report. Motion was made by Wood and supported by Fase.

6. Library Report present by Kaitlin Tang **Annual Report** presented by Lance Werner

7. Public Comments/Presentations - (relevant to Township business. Time limit: 3 min.)

Greg Dean, Oakfield Township Supervisor, regarding the Shooting Range, he talked to Jeff Knapp and the lawyers about the issue of it being loud and the lawyers said that Spencer Township does not have the authority to shut it down.

Many residents in that area were in attendance and started voicing their complaints about the noise, stating their property values are going down.

Kevin Kelley, Chief Deputy from Kent County Sheriff's Office, stood to talk to those residents and answer questions. He told them that if a practice at the range is happening and they believe it is too loud, they are to call him directly, and he was handing out his business cards to everyone and he would come out right away. (616)632-6107 or (616)813-6626 Kevin stated, 'On September 13, 2017 we will have a certified Acoustical Engineering company there to test the sound, while a training is happening.' Everyone is invited to watch it being done. Jeff Knapp and Greg Dean said they will be there.

8. Communications - none

9. Reports:

❖ **Supervisor's Report**

Township digital sign was ordered

Township Hall dehumidifier purchased and installed by Jeff Knapp.

Brining of roads the week of the August 28th.

Spencer Township Fire Department is having a community event celebrating 25 years of service on the 25th of August from 6-8pm in the park.

❖ **Fire Chief's Report**

Chief Wright read the August's Report with a call volume of 38 calls for the month of July and 259 to date for 2017 Floors and walls will be done by Byl starting the second week in September

Need to get contact information for owner of property on Gregware to put in a hydrant.

We are currently taking applications for firefighters.

❖ **Planning & Zoning Board** – Knapp stated we needed to appoint one more person to board, and suggest James Nagel. Baas nominated him and Motion carried unanimously.

All board members to read Zoning Ordinance Amendments –Signs and will discuss at next regular township board meeting in September.

McIntire presented an overview of what was discussed at the Planning Commission meeting on August 9, 2017.

9. Old Business

- Tabled May 16, 2017 – Liquor License for Dan Lyndrup Kicks Foot Golf – Untabled

Lyndrup has stated he is changing his license to beer and wine only. His building plans were approved by the planning commission.

Township board has preliminary contingent approval of license for beer and wine only if building is built as specified in blueprints and will be reviewed yearly as specified in the ordinance. Jeff Knapp was going to draw up agreement to the conditions set forth by the township board.

The formal vote will be at next regular township board meeting in September.

Re-tabled until September 2017 to review agreement

10. New Business

- Pictometry is needed by the assessor to do their work - Motion was made to pay \$3000 to Kent County for use of program, by Baas and supported by Fase. Motion carried unanimously.
- Knapp presented Resolution to Provide for the Designation of September 15, 2017 as "Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day"... Motion was made by Wood and supported by Fase. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Board Comments - none

12. Adjournment

- Motion was made by Wood and supported by Fase at 830pm. Motion carried.