

Minutes of Regular Meeting of Spencer Township Board
Spencer Township Hall
Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

1. **Supervisor Knapp called the meeting to order.**
Present: Knapp, Wright, Wood, Baas & Lange
Absent: none
2. **Supervisor Knapp led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**
3. **Agenda –** Motion was made to leave agenda as is by Wood, supported by Lange, all in favor. Motion carried.
4. **Approval of April 16, 2024 Minutes:**
Motion was made to approve as is by Wood and supported by Lange. Motion carried.
5. **Approval of payment of bills:**
Motion was made to pay all bills presented, by Wood and supported by Lange. Motion carried.
6. **Baas presented the Financial Report:**
Motion was made to approve as is by Wood and supported by Lange. Motion carried
7. **Public Comments/Presentations - (relevant to Township business. Time limit: 3 min.) –** Judge Jeffrey O'Hara introduced himself and the recovery program that he is a part of.
8. **Communications –** None.
9. **Reports:**
 - ❖ **Fire Chief's Report**
Chief Wright read fire report for April 2024 with 25 calls and 122 total for 2024. Chief Wright talked about new mandates that OSHA will have with mental health and other areas that we are not familiar with and asked if he could hire Paul Lotterman on as our liaison for OSHA. Knapp motioned that we hire on Paul for the fire department liaison for OSHA and Wood seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
 - ❖ **Supervisor Report –** New paving of 22 Mile Rd from Sorensen to Gravel Ridge, Limestone & millings for Harvard Ave from 18 to 19 Mile Rd, 19 Mile from Harvard to Hatch, 18 Mile from Larsen to Montcalm Ave, Dust layer has been done for May, Approval for splits and combinations Wood motioned and Baas seconded, all in favor, motion passed.
 - ❖ **Planning & Zoning Commission –** Meeting May 8, 2024 with 2 public hearings for zoning issues regarding a cell tower at 19 Mile and Whitbeck also for short-term rentals.
 - ❖ **Library –** Clyde presented report. June 3-Aug 10 Summer Reading Program for all ages. June – Aug FREE lunches to kids Mondays through Thursdays from NOON to ONE. Touch a truck June 22.
 - ❖ **Clerks Report –**August Primary election training is underway for myself and Danelle.
10. **Unfinished Business**
 - A. Short term rental zoning ordinance – presented by Baas and supported by Wood. Roll call, yes – Wood, Baas, Lange, Wright, Knapp and no – none. Ordinance passed.
 - B. Short term rental regulate ordinance - presented by Baas and supported by Wood. Roll call, yes – Baas, Lange, Wright, Wood, Knapp and no – none. Ordinance passed.
11. **New Business:**
 - A. Gaming application for raising funds for Mucinous Ovarian Cancer Coalition – Baas motioned to accept as written, Lange seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
 - B. Township taxes – Knapp motioned we accept as they are written from the county, Baas seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
 - C. Fire Dept sign quote presented by Wright, seconded by Baas. All in favor. Motion passed.

D. Tablets for board members to save on paper, printing and time – Wright to get quote

E. Discussion about farmers market, need to come up with rules and guidelines before we can allow this. Everyone is to come up with some ideas on what they would like to see for rules.

12. Board Comments –

Wright to put on sign about clean up day.

13. Adjourned by Baas at 6:29 pm second by Lange. All in favor.