Spurr Township Board Meeting Spurr Township Hall 29257 US HWY 41 Michigamme, MI 49861



March 18, 2024

- I. CALL TO ORDER- The meeting was called to order by Supervisor, Jason Killoran at 6:00 p.m.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. ROLL CALL

Spurr Township Board Members: Supervisor, Jason Killoran, Treasurer, Tammy Marier, Trustee, Dennis Bentti, Trustee, Joel LePage, and Clerk, Jessica Omernick. Quorum is present.

- IV. AGENDA APPROVAL- Add under VIII Old Business "e. Cathy- Zoning Petition." Motion made by Trustee, LePage to approve agenda and seconded by Trustee, Bentti. 5 Ayes. O Nays. Motion carried.
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- February 19, 2024, Regular Board Meeting- Motion made by Trustee, LePage to approve the minutes, seconded by Trustee, Bentti. 5 Ayes. O Nays. Motion carried.

VI. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

a. Motion made by Trustee, Bentti to approve Accounts Payable of \$23,027.61 and seconded by Clerk, Omernick. 5 Ayes. O Nays. Motion carried.

VII. OFFICER REPORTS

- a. Clerk Report- Clerk, Omernick gave the Balance Sheet by Class to the board. In total the township has a positive balance of \$963,082.82 including all the millage accounts and general funds.
- b. Treasurer- Treasurer, Marier informed the board that all taxes have been collected and distributed for Winter 2023 and anything paid after March 1, 2024 goes to the county.
- c. Fire board- Supervisor Killoran read the fire board minutes from the 3/5/24 meeting. January Bills were approved. There was a fireman meeting on 2/27/24 and ten members were present. They voted all officers remained the same as last year. They also ordered four new 800 MHz radios. A grant was also submitted to CN for new radios in the future. There were no fire calls in February.
- d. Planning commission- No update since there was no meeting held in March.
- e. Zoning Administrator- ZA, Mike Simula gave an update. It has been pretty quiet and no building permits have been issued.
- f. Assessor- No Update. It was requested by the accessor to change the April board meeting from Monday April 15th to Tuesday April 16th. Motion made by Trustee, Bentti to change the April board meeting to 4/16 and seconded by Trustee LePage. 5 Ayes. O Nays. Motion carried.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS- public comment after each agenda item.

- a. ORV Update- Supervisor, Killoran gave an update on behalf of the trail authority. He attended a special meeting in February and another in March. The trail authority have been talking with the CN lawyers and they're still having issues with track rights There will be another meeting on Thursday March 21st with the state and the lawyers.
- b. Ohio Mine Culvert Update- Supervisor, Killoran stated that the beaver is starting to build a dam on Beaufort east side of the bridge and that the water levels are currently low.
- c. Trash Pickup- There was discussion around why the Waste Management bill did not decrease due to having a centralized dumpster at the Township Hall. Supervisor, Killoran contacted Waste Management concerning the bill and was informed that the fuel prices went up, the garbage truck still has to make the run to Spurr Township to collect the trash and the amount of trash weight has increased. He was

- ensured that our contract is renewed every year and curbside pick will continue once road restrictions are lifted by the county. The road restrictions are still on, and trash is still to be dropped off at the dumpsters located at the township hall until the road restrictions are lifted and the garbage trucks are permitted to travel on township roads.
- d. Millages up for Renewal in 2024 and to be put on August Ballot- The board reviewed the preliminary language and millage rates and will vote on final wording and millage rates at the April regular board meeting on 4/16/24.
- e. Cathy- Zoning Petition- Cathy from the Baraga County Captain for Citizens for Local Choice was present and stated she would come back in April to collect the petitions she handed out at the February board meeting.
- IX. Public Comment- Three Minutes
 - a. 2 public comments regarding trash pickup.
- X. MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - a. Michigamme/Spurr Fire board meeting Tuesday April 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Michigamme Fire Hall
 - b. Spurr Township Planning Commission Thursday April 11, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Spurr Township Hall
 - c. Spurr Township Board Meeting Tuesday April 16, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Spurr Township Hall
 - d. Michigamme/Spurr Joint Board Meeting Wednesday April 17, 2024, at Spurr Township Hall
 - e. Budget Workship Meeting Monday May 6, 2024, at 6:00 at Spurr Township Hall
- XI. ADJOURNMENT- Meeting adjourned by Supervisor, Killoran at 6:47 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Omernick, Clerk