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



October 16, 2023

- 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, Joel LePage and Trustee, Dennis Bentti, Clerk, Jessica Omernick. Quorum is present.

- IV. AGENDA APPROVAL- Motion made by Trustee, LePage to approve agenda seconded by Trustee, Bentti. 5 Ayes. O Nays. Motion carried.
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- September 18, 2023, Regular Board Meeting- Motion made by Trustee, Bentti to approve the minutes, seconded by Trustee, LePage. 5 Ayes. O Nays. Motion carried.

VI. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

a. Motion made by Trustee, Bentti to approve Accounts Payable of \$18,246.14 and seconded by Trustee, LePage. 5 Ayes. O Nays. Motion carried.

VII. OFFICER REPORTS

- a. Clerk Report- Clerk, Omernick updated the board that the accountant's off year audit was postponed until the beginning of November. At this time the accountant will clean up QuickBooks so an accurate balance sheet and budget can be reviewed by the board at the November board meeting.
- b. Treasurer- Treasurer, Marier gave an update. Marier met with Baraga County and discussed how the township could accept tax payments via credit card. There would be a \$600/year fee paid by the township and a fee per transaction paid by the payer. A motion was not made to pursue credit card payments at this time.
- c. Fire board-Supervisor Killoran read the fire board minutes from the 10.3.23 meeting. A request for bids is going to be posted for 6 air packs as well as a bid for turn out gloves. "I am responding" fee is going to be due 10.27.23. Installation of smoke alarms to start this month.
- d. Planning commission- Trustee, Bentti gave an update. The planning commission to update the zoning map per the recent changes and make copies for all of the zoning binders and the big poster in the hall. Bentti mentioned that the master plan needs to be updated and that the commission will start working on that. They are also looking into solar farm ordinances for the township.
- e. Zoning Administrator- Clerk, Omernick gave an update on behalf of ZA, Simula. There was one zoning permit applied. Building is starting to wind down for the season.
- f. Assessor- There was no new update.
- VIII. OLD BUSINESS- public comment after each agenda item.

- a. Recycling update- The security cameras for the dumpsters have been ordered and keys can be issued to residents. Keys can be issued during office hours. If a key is lost there is a \$25 fee to get a replacement key.
- b. ORV Update- Supervisor, Killoran gave an update on behalf of the trail authority. The trail authority has talked to C&N layers to get tracks in BCTA's name. The trail will not be state sponsored until 7.1.24. which will be the trail from Mt. Arvon to Baraga Plains and Covington area.
- c. Ohio Mine Culvert Update- There will not be an excavator staged at the Ohio Mine culvert this year.
- d. Snow Removal Bids. One bid was submitted from Dan Swiedels for snow removal for the 2023/2024 season. Motion made by Trustee, LePage and seconded by Trustee, Bentti to accept his bid. 5 Ayes. O Nays. Motion carried.
- e. Township Hall Building Use Policy. The policy was reviewed by the board during the September meeting and suggestions for changes were reviewed. The policy will be re-written and reviewed for approval at the November board meeting.
- f. Election Budget 2024. Clerk, Omernick reviewed the election budget for 2024. Early Voting for the February 2024 election will be reimbursed by the state. The August 2024 and November 2024 early voting will be paid by the township and the current budget has accounted for that expense. A new AV drop box is on order and will be installed prior to the February 2024 election. The drop box and installation is being paid for by the state.
- IX. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. None
- X. Public Comment- Three Minutes
 - a. None
- XI. MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - a. Michigamme/Spurr Joint Meeting Monday October 23, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Spurr Township Hall
 - b. Michigamme/Spurr Fire board meeting Tuesday November 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Spurr Township Hall
 - c. Spurr Township Board Meeting Monday November, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Spurr Township Hall.
 - XII. ADJOURNMENT- Meeting adjourned by Supervisor, Killoran at 7:07pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Omernick, Clerk