

**TOWN OF SPARTA  
TOWN BOARD MEETING**

November 13, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Sparta Town Board was called to order by Chairman Kevin Raymer at 6:35 pm, November 13, 2018 at the Sparta Town Hall, 5724 Hamlet Avenue, Sparta. Attending were Supervisor Jeff Garves, Supervisor Clarence Justin, Treasurer Amy Kiefer and Clerk Lisa Brey. 13 town residents attended.

**Minutes of the October 9, 2018** regular monthly board meeting were read. Motion to approve by Kevin and second by Clarence. Motion passed.

**Adoption of the 2019 Budget:**

Kevin reviewed the 2019 Budget. Jeff Antony asked if \$1400 would be enough for Cemetery expense. It was stated that was the total expense for the cemetery for 2017. With no further discussion on the budget for 2019, motion was made by Kevin and seconded by Clarence to Adopt the 2019 Budget. Motion Carried.

**Land Division for Hollis Freeman:**

Mr Freeman requests the division of 10.0 acres off a 40.0 acres parcel on Garland Ave. The Planning Commission had met and reviewed the land division on November 5, 2018 and recommended approval. Kevin made a motion to approve the Land Division. It was second by Clarence. Motion carried.

**Land Division for Kessler Family Trust :**

The Kessler Family Trust requests to divide a 23.73 acre parcel into 2 lots. One would be 11.12 acres and one would be 12.61 acres. The Planning Commission had met and reviewed the land division on November 5, 2018 and recommended approval. Kevin made a motion to approve the Land Division. It was second by Jeff. Motion carried.

**Land Division for Matt Olson:**

Mr Olson has requested a land division of a 1.5 acres lot and a 13.7 acre lot. No one was present at the Planning Commission Meeting and the members were concerned about road access. The Planning Commission had postponed their decision on the division. The town clerk had contacted Mr Olson and he will be present at the Planning Commission Meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup>. No other action was taken on this issue.

**Reappointment/appointment of members to the Joint Extraterritorial Zoning Committee:**

The Joint Extraterritorial Zoning Committee consists of six (6) members, three (3) members from the City of Sparta and three (3) members from the Town of Sparta. The three town members shall be appointed by the Town Board for three (3) year terms and shall be residents of the Town and persons of recognized experience and qualifications. Kevin made a motion to appoint Michael Guy, Robert Wood and Jeff Antony to the ET Committee. Jeff Antony was present and accepted the nomination. Robert Wood had let the clerk know by email that he would accept a nomination. Kevin made a motion to approve these 3 members. Jeff seconded. Motion carried.

**Monroe County Solid Waste fee for Special Waste Collection:**

Monroe County Solid Waste is requesting all the municipalities help fund the Special Waste Collections which is twice a year. Currently the cost comes from some grants and the remaining cost comes from the Solid Waste budget. Monroe County Solid Waste is requesting a 30 cent per capita, per year, fee from each municipality. A letter dated 10/19/18 said this fee would not change for 5 years. All of the municipalities must agree to the assessment by December 31, 2018 before it can be implemented. The board discussed the fee and benefit of the Special Waste Collection. The fee would cost the Town of Sparta \$962.40 per year. Kevin made a motions to approve the fee and Jeff seconded. Motion Carried.

**Correspondence:**

none

**During Open Session:**

A town resident voiced concern about the water problems with residents on Gale Road. The resident was concerned that all the neighbors were pumping water from their lands and the water was running onto her land leaving a large amount of standing water. Due to the grade of the land, the water has no where to go and stays in her lawn. She wanted to know if the township could put in a culvert or fix this issue in some way. She questioned who was responsible for letting a subdivision be engineered that way. She voiced concern that she should not be financially responsible to fix the subdivisions runoff problem. The board informed the resident that when her subdivision was built, there was no Town of Sparta Planning Commission and the Planning Commission was formed for reasons such as hers. The board also stated that all the residents in that area are having water issues for the last couple years due to heavy rainfalls. The board stated that they wish they could help the resident out, but there was nothing the Town of Sparta could do, within their jurisdiction, to help that area out.

**Treasurer's report was reviewed.****Bills were examined.**

Bills were reviewed and approved. Kevin moved to submit payments for bills, seconded by Jeff Motion passed.

Motion made by Clarence and seconded by Kevin to adjourn at 7:25 PM. Motion passed.

Lisa Brey  
Clerk