

**TOWN OF SPARTA
TOWN BOARD MEETING**

November 14, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Sparta Town Board was called to order by Chairman Kevin Raymer at 6:12 pm, November 14, 2023 at the Sparta Town Hall, 5724 Hamlet Avenue, Sparta. Attending were Chairman, Kevin Raymer, Supervisor, Jeff Garves, Supervisor, Clarence Justin, Treasurer, Amy Kiefer, and Clerk, Lisa Brey. 4 town residents attended.

Minutes of the October 10, 2023 regular monthly board meeting were read. Motion to approve by Kevin and second by Clarence. Motion passed.

Adoption of the 2024 Budget:

Kevin reviewed the 2024 Budget.

With no further discussion on the budget for 2024, motion was made by Kevin and seconded by Jeff to Adopt the 2024 Budget. Motion Carried.

Steve and Deanna Rickert requesting approval of a Certified Survey Map for a land division on State Hwy 27:

Steve and Deanna met with the Planning Commission on 11-7-2023. They are requesting to separate the house and a 3.0 acre parcel off the existing farm so it can be sold. The Planning Commission recommended approval to the Town Board. Kevin made a motion to approve the land division. Seconded by Clarence. Motion carried.

Brush Disposal was discussed. The Board decided to hold a “monitored trial” brush disposal once in the Spring and once in the Fall. The trial date would be the 3rd Saturday in April, (which is April 20 for 2024) and the 3rd Saturday in October, which will be October 19 for 2024). The times will be 8:00 am - 2:00 pm. Clarence will help monitor the disposals and the patrolmen will chip the brush on the spot. No brush over 8” in diameter will be accepted, no grass clippings, no root balls. Chips will be available to the residents. Amy will add this information to the yearly tax letter.

Discussed increase in election worker pay.

Pay for elections workers has not increased for 9 years. Training is now required and more knowledge is now needed with law changes and use of Badger books. Clarence made a motion to increase election worker wage to \$15.00/hr and chief inspectors to \$17.00/hr. Effective November 1, 2023. Kevin seconded. Motion passed.

Correspondence:

Discussed 2 Road Programs- letter from David Ohnstad. The Board and patrolmen will review the report that is needed and complete when they do the road reports.

During Open Session:

Treasurer's report was reviewed and discussed.

Bills were examined.

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

Motion made by Kevin and seconded by Jeff to adjourn at 7:30 pm. Motion passed.

Lisa Brey Clerk