

TOWN OF SPARTA
TOWN BOARD MEETING

October 10, 2017

The **regular monthly meeting** of the Town of Sparta Town Board was called to order by Chair Kevin Raymer at 7:00 PM, October 10, 2017 at the Sparta Town Hall, 5724 Hamlet Avenue, Sparta. Also attending were Supervisor Clarence Justin, Supervisor Jeff Garves, Treasurer Amy Kiefer and Clerk Lisa Brey. 10 Town Residents attended.

Minutes of the September 12, 2017 town board meeting were read. Motion to approve by Clarence and seconded by Jeff. Motion passed.

Election Machine Purchase

The Board revisited the need for the Town to purchase a new voting machine. During the August meeting the board voted to purchase the Image Cast Evolution machine for \$8200. The purchase agreement total cost, after additional fees, came to \$9378. Due to new information on new technology coming out in 2-3 years, and discussion with other municipalities in the county, the board voted to purchase the refurbished Insight election machine instead of the ICE machine, for a total cost of \$1950. Clarence made a motion to purchase the Insight machine. Jeff seconded. Motion was passed.

Road Tour on September 18, 2017

Due to resident's complaints of the conditions of some roads at the September meeting, the supervisors and a patrolman completed a road tour of Icecrystal, Ideal, Fantail, Feather, Festival and Federal. As of the town board meeting on October 10, 2017 all issues have been addressed and fixed for all roads except Ideal. Patrolmen are waiting for the bridge project to be completed before fixing that issue.

John Radocha sale of property

John shared a copy of an old plat of his land with the board. He requested the procedure on how to get this section of land into a subdivision. The section of land was once platted but nothing was completed. Chairperson Kevin Raymer told John the current plat of his land did not meet the town requirements. Kevin said each lot needs to be at least 1.5 acres and to be able to fit in a 200' x 200' square. John's section of land would need to be replatted. The board suggested to John, that he go to Monroe County Zoning Office and talk to Allison.

During Open Session:

Howard Garves provided information for a policy for the Big Creek Cemetery. He also suggested a Cemetery Committee be appointed due to the work involved with the cemetery. The Board appointed Howard Garves, Sue Justin and Clarence Justin as the Big Creek Cemetery Committee. The committee will put together a policy with rules and regulations and fees pertaining to the cemetery. Adoption of the cemetery policy will be put on November agenda.

An Amish resident brought up the need for two School signs to be posted on Iberia Ave. Vehicles are speeding in the area and it has become a hazard for the children and buggies. Kevin asked if the Amish community would pay for the signs. Town of Sparta Patrolmen would buy the signs from the County Hwy Dept and put them in. The Amish resident will discuss this with his community. The clerk will send a letter to Rockland Flooring, about making the employees aware of the children present on Iberia Ave due to the school. The school sign issue on Iberia will be put on the November agenda.

The issue of employee health insurance was brought up. This will be put on the November agenda.

Correspondence:

Letter was received from DNR that a fire call was made due to illegal burning on Hammer Road. Board discussed town burning ordinance and fines. No action was taken.

Treasurer's report was reviewed.

Bills were examined.

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

Motion made by Kevin and seconded by Jeff to adjourn at 9:45 PM. Motion passed.

Lisa Brey