TOWN OF SPARTA TOWN BOARD MEETING

March 13, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Sparta Town Board was called to order by Chair Kevin Raymer at 6:30 PM, March 13, 2018 at the Sparta Town Hall, 5724 Hamlet Avenue, Sparta. Attending were Chairperson Kevin Raymer, Supervisor Clarence Justin and Supervisor Jeff Garves. The board went into closed session at 6:31 pm to discuss personnel issues. This meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM. At 7:00 PM chairperson, Kevin Raymer called to order the regular town board meeting. Attending was Supervisor Clarence Justin, Supervisor Jeff Garves, Treasurer Amy Kiefer and Clerk Lisa Brey. 11 Town Residents attended.

Minutes of the February 13, 2018 regular monthly board meeting were read. Motion to approve by Clarence and second by Jeff. Motion passed.

Representative From Sparta Area Schools discussed upcoming Referendums:

Julie Ender from the Sparta School district handed out an informational fact sheet. Ms. Ender made a presentation and took questions on the referendums. Presentation ended at 7:30 pm

Conditional Use Permit for Janelle Behrens-Wood:

The Planning Commission had met and reviewed the proposal on March 6, 2018 and recommended approval. Kevin made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit for the confection kitchen. It was second by Clarence. Motion carried.

Approval of Application and Borrowing Resolution for Purchase of Tractor and Mower Arm :

A loan application was made to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands for the purpose of financing a 2013 John Deere 6105R tractor and Diamond 22' Boom Mower. The 1993 John Deere 6400 will be traded in. The loan is for 2 years and is to be repaid in annual installments, with interest at the rate of 3.5 percent. Chairperson Kevin Raymer presented the preamble and resolution to borrow \$101,498.00 from the Trust Funds of the State of Wisconsin. Motion was made by Chairperson Kevin Raymer and seconded by Jeff Garves to adopt the Resolution to authorize application for funds and also levy upon all taxable Town of Sparta property an annual tax for the purpose of paying interest and principal on the loan as it becomes due. Motion carried unanimously.

Raising Town Fees:

At the last town meeting suggestions were made to increase CUP/Land Division fees to cover the actual costs of the Planning Commission and publishing of the planning commission meeting. The Sparta Town Board met with the Sparta Planning Commission on March 6, 2018. After discussion it was decided no fees will be raised at this time.

Correspondence:

Blue Sky Recycling sent a letter to the Town of Sparta notifying the township that they will be retiring as of April 1, 2018 and will no longer pick up the aluminum cans. Discussion was made on what the township should do with the aluminum cans. The cans would need to be collected from the recycling center every 2 weeks. Amy will ask who collects the aluminum cans at the school. Will discuss at the next board meeting.

Discussed a letter about the Monroe County Wind Energy System Siting Ordinance. Town of Sparta has no issues with this proposed ordinance.

Clarence will attend the Monroe County Zoning meeting on March 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm for Janelle Behrens-Wood's conditional use permit.

Kevin will attend the Board of Adjustment Hearing for Charles Adams on March 22, 2018 at 9:00 am.

During Open Session:

The date was set for the Town of Sparta Annual Meeting for April 17, 2018 at 6:00 pm. With the regular board meeting to follow.

Road tour for the board members was set for Tuesday April 3, 2018.

Treasurer's report was reviewed.

Discussed the financial report of income vs expense for the rest of the year to see what could be used for road maintenance. 2018 Budget is tight. Will discuss again after the road tour.

Bills were examined.

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

Motion made by Clarence and seconded by Kevin to adjourn at 8:30 PM. Motion passed.

Lisa Brey