

**TOWN OF SPARTA
TOWN BOARD MEETING**

May 8, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Sparta Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Jeff Garves at 7:05 pm, May 8, 2018 at the Sparta Town Hall, 5724 Hamlet Avenue, Sparta. Attending was Supervisor Clarence Justin, Supervisor Jeff Garves, Treasurer Amy Kiefer and Clerk Lisa Brey. 11 Town Residents attended. Chairman Kevin Raymer came at 8:00 pm.

Minutes of the April 17, 2018 regular monthly board meeting were read. Motion to approve by Clarence and second by Jeff. Motion passed.

Land Division for Anthony Benzing:

Anthony Benzing requested approval of a Certified Survey Map dividing off 3 - 3.0 acre lots, for single family homes, from a section of 22.6 acres of land owned by Mr Benzing, located south of Gavel Road and east of Cty Hwy B. This CSM was approved by the Planning Commission on May 1, 2018. Motion made by Clarence and seconded by Jeff to approve the CSM. Motion passed.

Land Division for Travis Brooks:

Travis Brooks applied for a land division on 4/23/18. At that time he did not have a survey completed. Mr Brooks stated that he would have a copy of the survey for the planning commission meeting on 5/1/18. Mr. Brooks was not present for this board meeting and did not provide a Certified Survey Map to the Planning Commission or the board for this meeting. There was discussion about the road needing to be widened for this land division and a cul de sac put in. Due to the absences of Mr. Brooks and no CSM, this item will be tabled and discussed again at the June meeting.

Zoning Change for Charles Adams:

Charles Adams requested that property located at 18076 Igloo Road be rezoned from Ag Residential to Residential. Mr. Adams met with the Planning Commission on 5/1/18. Planning Commission recommended approval. Motion made by Kevin to approve seconded by Clarence. Motion passed.

Board Start time change to 6:00 pm:

Supervisor Jeff Garves brought up for discussion changing the monthly board meetings from a start time of 7:00 pm to a start time of 6:00 pm. No comments and no opposition was made. Motion made to approve by Clarence seconded by Jeff. Motion passed to begin board meeting start time at 6:00 pm in June 2018. Was noted that the Planning Commission may also vote, at its next meeting, to have a start time at 6:00 pm.

During Open Session:

Clarence and Kevin will attend the WTA Unit Meeting May 17, 2018 at La Grange Town Hall.

Dean Weibel brought up the issue of the bridge on the corner of Icebox and Icon. The bridge is very narrow and there have been people fishing off the bridge. It is a safety concern and the board will look into getting 2 "No Fishing Off Bridge" signs. Patrolmen will contact Monroe County Hwy to see if they have signs the town could purchase.

Clarence brought up an issue of the garbage around the property at 7179 Iband Ave. Discussion was made about sending a letter.

Vian property still has not been cleaned up but they have until end of May to address the issue.

Discussed heavy truck/semis traveling on Iberia – using as a cutoff road. Kevin did talk to someone at Rockland Flooring and requested that they discourage the drivers from using that road. When it was annexed that was part of the agreement that heavy trucks would not travel on town roads. Someone at Rockland flooring will talk to the drivers about it.

When Servers (bartenders) apply for a license thru the township, a background check is required to be done. Recently the clerk found a conviction for one of the applicants for selling to minors. Board will discuss a policy for Server with convictions at the June board meeting.

Jason Drew was sent 2 invoices for the cost of removing the trees from the ditch that came from his property. He has not responded to either request for payment. If payment is not made by May 30, 2018 the chairman will draft a letter telling Mr Drew that it will be added onto his taxes as a special assessment.

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 Jeff to adjourn at 8:30 PM. Motion passed.

Lisa Brey