

**TOWN OF SPARTA
TOWN BOARD MEETING**

August 20, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Sparta Town Board was called to order by Chairman Kevin Raymer at 6:00 pm, August 20, 2024 at the Sparta Town Hall, 5724 Hamlet Avenue, Sparta. Attending were Supervisor Jeff Garves, Supervisor Clarence Justin, Treasurer Amy Kiefer and Clerk Lisa Brey. 8 town residents attended.

Minutes of the July 9, 2024 regular monthly board meeting were read. Motion to approve by Clarence and second by Jeff. Motion passed.

Approve use of ARPA funds for compactor and site.

Discussed using ARPA funds to pay additional bills for the new garbage compactor setup. It was noted that more bills will be coming. Motion made by Kevin to use total of \$5805.56 ARPA funds. \$2050 to Matt Jenkins for labor to building the shed, \$2445.00 to PPC to paint the compactor, \$800.00 to Hansen's Concrete and \$510.56 to All American for materials. 2nd by Clarence. Motion passed.

ADT security camera

Steve from ADT Security gave a presentation on where the town could put up security cameras, warranties, equipment costs and monthly fees. A resident questioned if the Town needs this security at the associated costs. The Board tabled the issue for now.

Correspondence:

Town received notification that John Radocha is suing Chairman Kevin Raymer for lawyer fee and abuse of power for not approving his CSM. The Board will contact the town attorney.

During Open Session:

Several residents brought up some issues they felt were getting neglected in the township. There is a stop sign missing at the end of Fallow Road, there is still a lot of brush and limbs in road ditches that need to be cut and chipped up, pot holes need to be filled in, ditch mowing was done poorly, Farmland Road has many low limbs - some hanging over touching the road, culvert on Hagar is washing away, shoulder on Ideal is too steep, many culvert approaches need to be feathered/wedged, etc.

The Board planned a road tour for the next day.

Board member would like the October 19th brush drop off posted on the website. The date is October 19th 8:00 am – noon. The chips from the brush will be available to residents on a first come first serve basis.

Bills were examined.

Bills were reviewed and approved. Kevin moved to submit payments for bills, except for the Scott's Construction bill. Seconded by Jeff. Motion passed.

Motion made by Kevin and seconded by Clarence to adjourn at 8:00 PM. Motion passed.

Town of Sparta Clerk