

SPALDING TOWNSHIP            **These minutes are approved**  
POWERS, MICHIGAN 49874  
March 16th, 2022 - 6:30 PM

The meeting was brought to order by Supervisor Moraska. The following Board members were present: Jim Moraska, Jerry Bartnicki, Cherryl Mencinger, and Kevin LaBonte, Chris LeBoeuf was absent. Guests included: Gerald Kleiman, Jim Nowack, Randy Viau, Max Sheriff and Dan Hammerberg.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No public comment

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

The motion was made by Jerry to approve the agenda with Kevin supporting.

**CLERKS REPORT:**

All bills are up to date. A motion was made to accept the Clerks Report by Kevin and was seconded by Jim. Kevin looked over the expense statements. Minutes of the monthly meetings can be viewed on the Township website located at [www.powers-spalding.org](http://www.powers-spalding.org)

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

Jerry gave the financial hand out showing the Township's monthly balances and went over the report. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Cherryl and seconded by Jim.

**LIQUOR REPORT:**

All is well at both taverns and at the grocery store for March.

**FIRE REPORT/FIRE CHIEF & FIRE DEPT:**

The Department responded to 6 calls costing \$0 dollars in losses and spending a total of 5 hours and 40 minutes.  
2 memos were submitted.

Monday, March 14, 2022

Subject:        **Memo #1 Grants**

**DNR Grant**

We did receive an application for the 2022 VFA DNR grant. I did submit the grant application for various hand tools and equipment in the total amount of approximately

\$4500.00. **We were notified we did receive this grant. We have been working on the equipment list and will be working toward ordering the equipment.**

### **2021 AFG Grant**

We were fortunate that they extended the grant application deadline to January 21, 2022. I submitted the application for a new fire engine to replace Engine 1 with an amount of \$375,000. Our cost share if awarded is \$17,857.14. The application was submitted on January 18, 2022. **Waiting on award announcement.**

Monday, March 14, 2022

Subject: **Memo #2** *Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief & bylaw changes*

The members present at the March 3, 2022, fire department business meeting voted unanimously to recommend the following for your approval at your special meeting on March 16, 2022:

Fire Chief: Dan Hammerberg

Assistant Fire Chief: Jim Nowack

### **CEMETERY/PARK REPORT:**

A few burials in the Mausoleum. Please do not plow in the Cemetery with either a side by side or pickup. Nothing for the Park, it's closed.

### **ASSESSOR'S REPORT:**

No report

### **SHERIFF'S REPORT:**

A couple accidents, some traffic tickets, and some civil infractions.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **ADOPT 5 YEAR REC PLAN**

We have been reviewing this policy for about a year or more, we are done. Jim asked if anyone had any input.

SPALDING RECREATION PLAN  
RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION

## SPALDING TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, a recreation plan for Spalding Township has been prepared which recognizes various recreation needs of Spalding Township and;

WHEREAS, a five year recreation plan is required to apply for recreation grants administered by the Department of Natural Resources, Grants Management, and;

WHEREAS, the Spalding Township Board, acting as the Township Recreation Committee, prepared a draft of a recreation plan for the community with the draft plan available 30 days prior to the scheduled public hearing, and;

WHEREAS, the Spalding Township Board has conducted a public hearing on March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022, to accept public comment regarding the Spalding Township Recreation Plan, and;

WHEREAS, after the public hearing, the Spalding Township Board voted to adopt the Spalding Township Recreation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, the Spalding Township Board adopts the Spalding Township Recreation Plan, as it's official recreation planning document. Roll Call Vote: Jim, yes, Cherryl, yes, Jerry, yes, Kevin, yes, Motion approved.

ADOPTED THIS 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2022.

### **RESOLUTION FOR THE ROAD RALLY**

A resolution was adopted for a temporary road closure to allow the Road Rally to use the roads. A copy of this resolution was mailed to the Menominee County Road Commission. Motion approved. Roll Call Vote: Jim, yes, Cherryl, yes, Jerry, yes, Kevin, yes, Motion approved.

### **BOARD OF REVIEW UPDATE**

BOR was held on Monday March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, and on March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 15 people attended. Some complaints in regards to raising assessments were brought up.

## **PARK DECK BIDS**

We received two park bids for the deck. One was from Waleshka for \$39,000.00, a second bid was from Randy Viau for \$67,000.00. We would have liked a few more bids. All of our permits are good for 5 years. The price on everything has gone up so drastically. It was decided to wait and watch prices. A motion was made to wait by Jim and seconded by Kevin to wait., All in favor, aye.

## **ROAD COMMISSION PROJECTS**

We already agreed to crushing 10,000 yards of limestone. Questioned about pulverizing Kloman Road. Length is 1100 ft. Recommend 6" of new limestone. \$2000 to pulverize and \$ 4000.00 in limestone. This road needs to be done. A motion was made by Kevin and seconded by Cheryl. Motion passed. A letter will be sent to the Road Commission for approval.

Put Cty road 566 as #1 priority on the Federal major list. The Road Commission never promised this . Selections have been made for years 2020-2026.

Put Cty road 388 as #2 priority on the Federal major list. This segment was not selected for a Federal-aid project.

put Cty road 563 as #1 priority on the federal minor road list. This segment was not selected for a Federal-aid project.

The Township requested an estimate on pulverizing LaBelle Rd west to the railroad tracks and put down double chip seal. Length is 800'. The Road Commission didn't recommend doing this because of stopping conditions at the tracks, Chip seal would be susceptible to damage. Recommend paving. Est cost \$30,000.00. It was recommended to contact the Railroad and have them fix the crossings on Kloman Rd and LaBelle Rd west. Jim made the motion to do this road and was seconded by Jerry, motion carried.

Do a study on old US 2 from Hillside Rd all the way to Township Line Rd, to see what can be done to fix the culverts and take care of the stumps coming up. The Road Commission will look into this.

Give Spalding Township an estimate to double chipseal Quarry Road from River Rd to Spur rd. jct with Quarry rd to the west. Length is 4700'. Recommended placing a minimum of 3" of compacted limestone in preparation for a double chipseal. \$8000.00 in limestone and \$47,000.00 double chip seal equals \$55,000..00 total. This was approved at the last Board meeting.

Start a study to see what can be done at Fazers store to eliminate the hazards and collision areas. The Road Commission said they would look into this.

Entertain the idea of re-establishing the 3 way road program, the County needs to

decide whether they want to participate again.

The Township has contacted the Powers Shed to coordinate with the grader operators to see what roads need gravel or in some cases limestone. We will give the Road Commission that info and the authority to preform the work.

We would also like the Road Commission to inspect the streets in Spalding and put together a plan to preserve those streets and not let them fall into disrepair.

Continue crack sealing as needed and continue to pull the shoulders in on all of our blacktop and chipseal roads so there is drainage and support to the edges of the black top.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **FLAGS AT THE CEMETERY**

We ordered new flags. We checked with the company we usually order from and their prices went up considerably. We checked as to where the Veterans get theirs from and they were better.

#### **ARPA FUNDS INFO**

Jason Carrivou came from Menominee and Jerry and Jason got all the information straightened out for our ARPA funds.

#### **RESOLUTION FOR MDOT**

We received a resolution from MDOT regarding road closures for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and planting flowers at the intersection. The form asks who would need the resolution and who will approve it. Spalding Township Board approved this resolution and sent signed copies to MDOT. Motion approved. Roll Call Vote: Jim, yes, Cherryl, yes, Jerry, yes, Kevin, yes, Motion approved.

#### **MOTION TO PAY THE BILLS (ROLL CALL VOTE)**

Motion was made to pay the bills by Kevin and seconded by Jerry, Motion approved. Roll Call Vote: Jim, yes, Cherryl, yes, Jerry, yes, Kevin, yes, Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment

**ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS FOR THE GOOD OF  
THE TOWNSHIP**

A motion was made to adjourn by Cherryl with Jerry seconding. Meeting  
adjourned at 7:40 P.M. CST

Respectfully submitted, Cherryl Mencinger, Township Clerk