

VILLAGE OF SPARTA
COUNCIL BUSINESS SESSION OF JULY 14, 2014

Held at Sparta Township Chambers, 160 East Division, Sparta MI

1.2. The meeting was called to order by President Leonard R. Meyer II at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Roll Call: Council persons Kristi Dougan, Paul Hibbard, Bonnie Koehn, William Taylor, Robert Whalen and Village Manager Julius Suchy. Absent: Gary Moody.

4. Additions or corrections to Business and Consent Agendas: None.
Consent Agenda:

- I. Accept Village Council Regular Business Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2014
- II. Accept Village Council Special Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2014
- III. Accept Sparta Fire Board Meeting Minutes of June 19, 2014

5. Approval of Consent AND Business Agendas:

Moved by Dougan, supported by Whalen, to approve Consent and Business Agendas.
Motion carried 6-0.

6. Approval of Accounts Payable and Fund Transfers:

Moved by Dougan, supported by Koehn, to approve Accounts Payable and Fund Transfers.
Motion carried 6-0.

7. Public Comment for Agenda Items:

A. Roger and Joyce Osbeck of 233 West Gardner, inquired about the status of a former group home at 253 West Gardner which has been vacant for over a year. He stated that it should be zone single family. He was informed that the property is zoned R-4 (Single, Two and Multi Family Residential) and all the surrounding properties are zoned the same. If this one parcel is rezoned it is spot zoning and Village doesn't want that. At this time nothing will be done with the property.

8. Public Hearing: None.

9. Unfinished Business: None.

10. New Business:

A. Resolution R-14-16: A Resolution Approving the Application of Cascade Die Casting Group INC's for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate.

Moved by Dougan supported by Whalen, to adopt Resolution R-14-16.
Motion carried 6-0.

B. Resolution R-14-17: A Resolution designating Julius Suchy, Village Manager as Street Administrator.

Moved by Dougan, supported by Hibbard, to adopt Resolution R-14-17.
Motion carried 6-0.

I. Review and award Alma/N. Union Park Lot Removal Bid to Terry Afton & Sons

Excavating for amount not to exceed \$9,980.00.

Moved by Whalen, supported by Koehn, to award the bid for parking lot removal bid to Terry Afton & Sons Excavating not to exceed \$9,980.00. Motion carried 6-0.

I. Approve 2014-2015 Partnership Agreement between Village and Children's

Assessment Center.

Moved by Whalen, supported by Dougan, to allow \$1,200.00 for the Children's Assessment Center. Motion carried 6-0.

I. DPW Supervisor Discussion:

Village Manager Suchy, handed out a Public Works Supervisor Position Summary as to what is expected from the DPW Supervisor. A Committee will be created by Manager to sit in on interviews. After interviewing Suchy will make his recommendation to the Village Council. The salary range was determined to be \$55,000.00 to \$60,000.00.

I. Schedule Village Council Work Station:

Suchy would like to discuss Rodeo Ground Property, Contracting for WWTP Services, Budget Timeline Discussion and any other long range issues. The council members at this time could not make any of the dates. Suchy will bring more dates to the August Council Meeting.

11. Committee Reports (attached):

A. Finance Committee: None.

B. Policy & Personnel Committee: None.

I. Public Facilities & Recreation Committee: None.

III. Airport Committee: None.

III. Public Safety Committee: None.

III. Fire Board Committee: None.

12. Manager's Report (attached): South Union Street closure is still being worked on with Neal Hoffman and Brian Vilmont.

13. Police Chief's Report (attached):

14. Airport Manager's Report (attached):

15. Communications: None.

16. Public Comment:

A. Jayne Paasch of 115 Harper Drive commented the range was \$45,000.00 now it is \$55,000.00 to \$60,000.00.

17. Executive Session:

Moved by Dougan, supported by Whalen to go into Executive Session at 7:47pm for the purpose to discuss Written Legal Opinion, Pending Litigation and Sale of Property. Motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote.

Moved by Hibbard, supported by Koehn, to return to the regular session 9:10 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

18. Announcements: Sparta Village and Sparta Township officials will provide free watermelon at Roger Park on Wednesday, July 16, 2014 at 7:00 pm. Each Council person is to bring two melons.

19. Adjournment:

Moved by Hibbard, supported by Koehn to adjourn at 9:11 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

Pam Buchanan
Sparta Village Clerk