

Michigamme Township Board Members

Supervisor – Heather Smith
Clerk – Tami Hillis
Treasurer – Laura Mattson
Trustee – Donald DeRoche
Trustee – Kathleen Frisk

Spurr Township Board Members

Supervisor – Jason Killoran
Clerk – Jessica Omernick
Treasurer – Tammy Marier
Trustee – Dennis Benti
Trustee – Joel LePage

Michigamme/Spurr Township Board Meeting

Location: Spurr Township Hall

Date & Time: January 17, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.

Draft Minutes

Attendee: Paul Peterson

- I. CALL TO ORDER- The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Jason Killoran at 6:00 p.m.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- III. ROLL CALL
Spurr Township Board Members: Supervisor Jason Killoran, Treasurer Tammy Marier, Trustee Dennis Benti and Trustee Joel LePage. Absent: Clerk Jessica Omernick.

Michigamme Township Board Members: Supervisor Heather Smith, Clerk Tami Hillis, Treasurer Laura Mattson, Trustee Donald DeRoche and Trustee Kathleen Frisk.
Quorum is present.
- IV. AGENDA APPROVAL- Motion made by Trustee DeRoche to approve agenda, seconded by Trustee LePage. 9 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- October 23, 2023, Joint board Meeting- Motion to approve the minutes with change by Trustee LePage, seconded by Trustee Benti. 9 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- VI. Board Comment- Trustee Frisk: asked Supervisor Smith and the Spurr board members to introduce themselves and give a little background since Supervisor Smith was new.
- VII. New Business
 - a. Fire/EMS Budget, Stipends, and Meeting Attendance Bonus
 - i. Supervisor Killoran explained that during previous joint board meetings the officer stipends, non-officer firefighter bonus, and split of the pay/stipends were previously agree upon. There was some mis-communication and Clerk Hillis had paid the firefighters who attended the June and July meetings \$25. Checks were

either returned or voided. All non-officer firefighters will receive their bonus for attending meetings at the end of the year when the officer firefighters receive their stipends. The firefighter's current budget was approved, and P. Peterson was asked to provide an EMS budget. The board discussed the current status of the rescue boat, and recommendations of raising and getting money to help pay for the boat, motor, and trailer. Treasurer Mattson said currently there was \$9,688 in the account. Trustee DeRoche made the motion to approve the Spurr/Michigamme fire budget as presented for the \$31,000, support by Trustee LePage. Roll Call Vote: Trustee LePage- Aye, Trustee Bentii- Aye, Treasurer Marier- Aye, Supervisor Killoran- Aye, Supervisor Smith- Aye, Trustee Frisk- Aye, Treasurer Mattson- Aye, Trustee DeRoche- Aye, Clerk Hillis- Aye. 9 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

b. Set Dates for 2024 Joint Meetings

- i. Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Spurr
Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Michigamme
Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at 6 p.m. at Spurr
- ii. Trustee Frisk made the motion to accept the dates for the 2024 calendar year, Trustee DeRoche supported. All in Favor: 9 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

c. DPW Supervisor Raise

- i. Clerk Hillis stated that John, the DPW Supervisor, became certified on the Sewage Treatment Works, therefore receiving an increase of \$3.00 per hour, beginning November 2, 2023. The impact to Spurr would be if John is working at the cemetery, that his wage would be higher, therefore increasing the amount of the cemetery cost split between Michigamme and Spurr.

VIII. Old Business

a. Tri Media

- i. Trustee Frisk asked Supervisor Killoran if he would give a condensed version of what's going on with the cemetery for newly appointed Supervisor Smith's benefit, so she would understand the project.
- ii. Supervisor Killoran gave an update and explained that Tri-Media now needs the original maps and hard copies from Michigamme Township to make the website better. TriMedia provided a QR code and anyone can look up information of the website. TriMedia will merge the data they've acquired with the hard copy data from Michigamme.

IX. Public Comment- 1 comment thanking the boards for the support for the fire department and first responders.

X. Adjournment- Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m. by Supervisor Killoran.

The next joint meeting will be Wednesday, April 17th, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Spurr Township Hall.