

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING – August 12, 2024**  
**SPRINGPORT TOWN HALL 7:00 PM**

Members Present: Supervisor: David Schenck, Deputy Supervisor: Andrew Rindfleisch, Councilmen: Lloyd Cornell, Michael Selover, Eric Rosenkrans  
Others Present, William Walter: Highway Dept., Tim Carpenter, Hon Robert Shea

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm and opened with the Pledge.

**A. AGENDA:** Mr. Selover motioned to approve the Agenda, Seconded by Mr. Rindfleisch. Aye, with no discussion.

**B. MINUTES:** Mr. Cornell motioned to approve the July 8, 2024, minutes. Seconded by Mr. Selover. Aye, with no discussion.

**C. Reports:**

**1. MRB: Townline Road Sluice** DeVincentis contractor is doing a good job they have made good progress. They cleared and grubbed the whole site and dug a huge hole for one of the deep foundations that's on the west side of the bridge. That will be the main foundation that is there. They dug a huge hole all the way to bedrock, installed a 30-foot wide by 10-foot by 3-foot foundation. That will be the base of the new bridge on the west side. The east side will have the same base. When the foundation is complete the precast bridge will sit on the foundation and be secured.

The contractor did stop work due to rain. There will be some extra charges due to the added work and material cost from the foundation estimated at \$40,00 on the west side. The drill test holes on each side of the bridge at the center line of the road showed bedrock at 15 feet down. Once the contractor dug down to the bedrock. The bedrock was sloped at an angle. MRB requested the contractor fill that hole with concrete so that the foundation would solid and level.

Spring Street, altitude valve. MRB has a new one on order at \$11,050. Should be delivered in a few weeks. In the meantime, Slim has reworked the old one. The new valve is a delayed action valve and has a couple other springs and bells and whistles that are on there that are built into this price.

Two telephone landlines that call out for alarms. MRB will research alternatives for the copper line that is being decommissioned by Verizon.

Aqua logics has a SCADA and programming for water and wastewater treatment plants using Verizon cellular modem that acts just like a plug in telephone line. One concern is the lack of cellular service near the water tower.

Route 90 water line MRB stated about 50% complete. Eight hundred feet of water line and one fire hydrant.

Lynn Dick project MRB stated framing is moving forward. Waiting on water until house is closed in. MRB gave Lynn Dick a list of the water items that he will need to connect to the existing water line and add a new fire hydrant. Lynn is aware that MRB must witness it going in and talked about whether Lynn is qualified to put it in. MRB believes Lynn needs someone experienced with the installation of the water line, which will be turned over to the town when it's done.

MRB will witness when they tap into the existing 8-inch line with the new line and the valve and then witness them burying the pipe up the driveway to the houses. That is a four-inch pipe which will supply up to the ten new houses that he has planned on paper to build, the Planning Boards has approved. For the sewer, Lynn will need 2E1 units. MRB stated it is better that the town buy them and then Lynn reimburses the town.

**2. CODES:** report submitted to board.

**3. CLERK:** report submitted to board.

**D. 3 min mike:**

**E. Old Business: Solar: opt out town law.** Mr. Rindfleisch made the motion The town of Springport opt out of solar exemption RFP #487 all commercial power generating operations will be assessed and taxed as such with no avenue to pilots. Nor RP 487 which is their ability to obtain a pilot through the state and the county. Seconded by Mr. Cornell. Aye all with no discussion.

Mr. Rosenkrans made the motion to hold a public hearing at the next board meeting. Seconded by Mr. Selover. Aye all with no discussion.

- F. New Business: Planning Board requests the Town Board to review new Town of Springport Solar Law.** The Town Board approved the new Town of Springport Solar Law. Mr. Selover made the motion to hold a public hearing at the next board meeting. Seconded by Mr. Rindfleisch. Aye all with no discussion.
- G. Highway Report:** four miles of road chipped and sealed. Mowing, checking on Town Line Road work. Request funds transfer to CHIPS of \$60,000. Mr. Rosenkrans made the motion to move \$60,000 to the CHIPS fund for road work. Seconded by Mr. Rindfleisch. Aye all with no discussion.
- H. Water/Sewer Report:** 238 accounts moved out of Springport billing program back into Springport-Fleming program. Twenty-nine accounts still need to be moved. Nine new meters installed. Twenty-nine meters left to replace.
- I. DISCUSSIONS:**
- 1. Building Use-** Mr. Selover discussed building adding another building with a raised roof for the snowplow trucks. Mr. Selover requested the Highway Superintendent decide what the Highway Dept would need for the building size and let the board know. Mr. Rindfleisch said it is the Highway Superintendents space and if the Highway dept would like to use the same space the board could look at the cost of raising the roof on the existing building to accommodate raising the box of the snowplow trucks. The highway Superintendent stated the need for another bay. They need a work bay so that they can work on other equipment without needing to move the snowplows out of the garage.
- 1a. Highway-** the board requested a list of equipment, milage, year, hours and schedule from the Highway Superintendent
- 1b. Clerk-** office layout on hold until decision is made on new garage.
- 1c. Equipment-**  
Lights in the parking lot.  
Exit door for court- Board felt it is not a good idea to add a door to the court space, as it can be used as an entry point to the building.  
Panic button
- 1d. EDU's water/sewer/village-** Supervisor Schenck met once with the village, positive meeting- at this point the town and village are just gathering information. Positive from meeting is the village report shows the sewer treatment plant is only running at 40-50% most of the time, except for 2 months a year when the ground is saturated with ground water.
- 1e. IT-** first thing in the morning internet & phonelines went down due to a brownout. IT felt it was a Verizon problem, Verizon could not locate the problem. Verizon sent a tech to the office building and did not find a problem. IT came into the office and worked with Verizon to locate the problem. It was a firewall issue. IT reset the router and got the phone and internet back online at 5:15pm. The board felt it is time to research other IT companies as Springport is not a preferred customer and the town's needs are not always a priority with our IT provider. The clerk will reach out to local providers.
- 1f. Finances-** Supervisor Schenck suggested for Sewer District #1 the board transfer one hundred thousand dollars in the balance to a capital reserve. Mr. Selover made the motion to move one hundred thousand dollars to a capital reserve for Sewer District #1. Seconded by Mr. Rosenkrans. Aye all with no discussion.
- J. COMMUNICATIONS:** NYMIR rebate, letter sent concerning increased requirements emergency service.
- K. FINANCIAL:** Mr. Rindfleisch made the motion to pay the following bills: General fund (A) vouchers #225-230, 233, 241, 242, 244, 246-248, 250, 252-257, 259, 263-264 totaling \$15,426.85. General Fund-outside village (B) vouchers #251 totaling 384.74. Highway fund (DB) vouchers # 231, 232, 235, 240, 243, 245, 257, 258, 260, 262 totaling \$109,484.32 Sewer District #1 Vouchers # 225, 240, 257 totaling \$3,167.43 Water District #1 voucher #234-236, 238,239, 249, 257 totaling \$5,609.11 Water District #2 voucher # 226, 227, 231, 235-238, 249, 252, 257, 261 totaling \$21,063.92 Trust & Agency voucher #61 totaling \$1,676.82 Seconded by Mr. Cornell. Aye, All with no discussion.
- L. Adjourn.** Mr. Rindfleisch made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Selover. Aye all with no discussion.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Wilde, Town Clerk