

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE  
OF EAST SPARTA, COUNTY OF STARK AND STATE OF OHIO HELD  
IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON APRIL 18, 2011.**

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm. Mayor Truax led council and visitors in reciting The Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with the following members present; Mayor Jackie Truax, Council members Charlene Stelluto, Chris Freitag, Marlene Gray and Jenna Hessedence. Absent were Ron Propseri and Clerk Treasurer Rice. Truax informed Council that Rice had informed her that he would be late and would arrive as soon as possible. Hessedence made motion to accept the absence of Propseri, seconded by Freitag. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried. Visitors included Joe Kostic (Village Coordinator), Robert Cyperski (Village Solicitor), Jennifer Crone (Park Board) and Joey Stelluto.

Stelluto addressed Council. Stelluto asked to be allowed to amend his design for his Eagle Scout project. He is currently in the planning stage. Stelluto stated that he would have to pursue funding sources for his project to be placed at the East Sparta Cemetery. Council agreed to allow the amending of his plan.

Mayor Truax presented the Police Report to Council. For March there were; 6 Traffic Arrests, 1 Juvenile Traffic, 0 DUI Arrests, 2 Crash Reports, 1 Misdemeanor Arrests, 0 Felony Arrests and 8 Calls for Service.

The Financial Reports were presented to Council. The reports included; Bank Reconciliation, Fund Status, Warrant Register, Receipt Register, Revenue Status and Appropriation Status. Stelluto made motion to pay the bills totaling \$62,095.79, Seconded by Freitag. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

O-4-11-3 Ohio Municipal Code 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

O-5-11-3 accepting annexation of bank and park. Freitag made motion to suspend three readings and to enact said ordinance as an EMERGENCY, seconded by Gray. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, ordinance approved.

O-6-11-3 approval to change boundary map. Freitag made motion to suspend three readings and to enact said ordinance as an EMERGENCY, seconded by Gray. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, ordinance approved.

Truax reminded Council of the discussion in January regarding the sidewalk in front of the memorial. The cost of the project would be \$1,000.00 with the Villages portion being \$500.00. Stelluto made motion to pay half the cost of the sidewalk, seconded by Hessedence. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

R-3-11-4 resolution approving payment of Nueman property taxes when come due and subtracting amount from purchase price. This was agreed upon by BOPA at their last meeting. Freitag made motion to suspend, seconded by Stelluto. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried. Hessedence made motion to accept the resolution as presented, seconded by Stelluto. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

Cyperski addressed Council. Cyperski stated that rice had inquired about hiring the park employees as independent contractors versus regular part time employees. In Cyperski's opinion it would not be a good idea and the employees should be hired as usual.

Stelluto stated that she would retype the employee handbook with the recommended changes and have for Council approval.

Truax stated that cleanup day had three dumpsters provided and were mostly filled. It rained all day but the dumpsters were used. Thanks to American Landfill for providing the dumpsters.

Crone addressed Council. Crone requested approval to purchase a lawn mower at a cost of \$11,000.00, \$3,000.00 for pool paint and \$1,000.00 for computer and printer to be paid from EPA grant funds. Stelluto made motion to approve purchases, seconded by Hessedence. Roll call 4 yea, 0 nay, motion carried. Crone also requested approval to hire an events coordinator at \$5.75 an hour. Stelluto made motion to approve the position and pay scale, seconded by Hessedence. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

Kostic presented council with 2 bids for paving project. Bids were received from Superior Paving and Central Allied. Superiors bid was \$58,691.20 and Allied \$53,000.00. Stelluto made motion to accept the bid from Allied of \$53,000.00 for paving and \$2,400.00 for pot hole repair, seconded by Freitag. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried. Kostic reported that he hoped to chip and seal Pershing Street for \$4,000.00 and alley for \$11,000.00. No action taken at this time. Kostic requested approval to purchase a weed eater for \$250.00. Stelluto made motion to approve expenditure, seconded by Gray. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

The Water Board minutes were presented to Council.

The run reports for the Fire Department and Tri-Division were presented to Council.

Freitag made motion to accept the absence of Rice, seconded by Gray. Roll call 4 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

Hessedence made motion to adjourn, seconded by Freitag. Meeting adjourned 8:15pm.

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Mayor

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Clerk Treasurer