

SOMERFORD TOWNSHIP
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Ernest Sparks, Chairman
Keith O'Connor, Vice Chairman (via phone)
James Moran, Trustee

Amanda Knowles, Fiscal Officer
Brian Knowles, Zoning Inspector

The Somerford Township Trustees met in regular session on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 with the above members present. The meeting was called to order at 1900.

Amanda Knowles, Somerford Township Fiscal Officer, informs the Trustees that she is accepting nominations for Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board for the year 2023. Keith O'Connor nominates Ernest Sparks for the position of Chairman and James Moran seconds. Ms. Knowles takes roll call, no objections; Mr. Sparks is the 2023 Chairman by acclamation. Mr. Sparks then nominates Keith O'Connor as the Vice Chairman. Mr. Moran seconds, Ms. Knowles takes roll call, no objections and the motion is carried. Mr. O'Connor is the 2023 Vice Chairman by acclamation. Ms. Knowles also asked for a motion to accept Somerford Township not exceeding \$85,000 for medical insurance costs in 2023; Mr. O'Connor moves that this number be approved, Mr. Sparks seconds, roll call was taken and all in favor, motion is carried. Appointment to committees for 2023 will be as follows: Mr. Moran - Madison County Emergency Medical District and Sewer & Water Board, Mr. Sparks - Central Township Fire Board, Mr. O'Connor - Regional Planning Commission and Madison County Township Association.

Trustee Moran informs the other Trustees on the contractual agreement to have masonry work done on the Township Building. In the agreement, Somerford Township would put \$6400 down to get the materials on site and will then be billed another \$6400 for every 80 hours worked. Mr. Moran makes a motion to hire Tim DePriest to do this masonry work on the Township Building. Chairman Sparks seconds. A roll call is taken, all are in favor and the motion is carried. Mr. Moran updates the Board on the comprehensive plan for 2023. The Board of Zoning members are in attendance to review the Comprehensive Plan as well. After discussion, Mr. Moran makes a motion to pass the Comprehensive Plan with the changes from the previous meeting. Mr. Sparks seconds. A roll call is taken and all are in favor; the motion carries.

Zoning Inspector, Brian Knowles, states that there will be another meeting in two weeks regarding the wedding venue property. Will touch back on the topic at the next meeting with an update. Mr. Knowles then also reviews the updated zoning regulations previously discussed. Mr. Sparks makes a motion to adopt the solar provision to the current zoning regulations. Mr. Moran seconds. A roll call is taken, all are in favor and the motion is passed.

Ms. Knowles then asks if everyone has reviewed the meeting minutes from the December 2022 meeting? They were read and approved by the Trustees at this time. The Somerford Trustees also reviewed and gave approval of the January 2023 payroll and bills at this time.

Being no further business to be discussed at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 2018.

Respectfully submitted:

Amanda Knowles, Somerford Township Fiscal Officer

Date: _____

Ernest Sparks, Chairman