

**Sangamon Township
Regular Meeting Minutes**

Held at Sangamon Township Building, 1264 Old Rt 47 White Heath, Illinois

November 12, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of Sangamon Township was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Kathleen Piatt. Roll Call was taken. Present were Kathleen Piatt and present by internet were Trustees John Foley, Bill Bickhan, Mike Nolan and Bill Olson.

Also present were Highway Commissioner Larry Sebens and Clerk Kevin Duff.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Comment: none

Minutes:

Trustee Olson made a motion seconded by Supervisor Piatt to approve the October 8,, 2020 regular meeting minutes with a correction that the vote to convert two accounts to earn interest was a tie vote and did not pass. (The Clerk should not have voted to break the tie.) A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Nolan made a motion seconded by Trustee Bickhan to approve the October 29, 2020 special meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Invoices

A motion was made by Trustee Nolan seconded by Trustee Foley to approve the invoices. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Communications:

The Board discussed the tax status of the farm land (3.5 acres) portion of the park land. Since the land is leased, that portion may be taxed (around \$200/year). The question was asked if the land was enrolled in a government program if it would be taxed. The comment was also made that the parcel should be considered as one entity so the income earned from the lease would be more than offset by the expenses of maintaining the parcel. Supervisor Piatt will follow up.

The December agenda will include an item to keep closed or release the closed meeting minutes.

The township office furnace will be replaced by Dubson with no change in their original quote as approved at the regular October meeting.

Old Business

No update on blighted properties.

Supervisor Piatt will follow up with Kelly's Accounting on some apparent incorrect entries for property taxes for the Town Fund and the Road and Bridge Fund and the incorrect accounting for the Highway Commissioner's salary. The salary appears to only show in the Road and Bridge account instead of being split with the Town Fund. The balance sheet is correct.

Trustee Nolan reported that the Cemetery Committee met in September with members Ray Spencer and Joyce Munster present. Lorrie Wilson missed the meeting due to the reminder being sent to an incorrect address. (Her correct address is now on file with Clerk Duff.) Mr. Spencer took the minutes. Sexton Francis Dick was also present. New equipment needs are a replacement weed eater and possibly something to help with leaf removal. Sexton Dick will bring the committee proposals. A proposed budget was submitted and distributed to the Board. The next cemetery committee meeting is April 8, 2020 at 5:30 pm at the Township Office.

Supervisor Piatt read the levy resolution for the Town Fund. The total shown in the resolution was \$188,216. The total was corrected to be \$188,116, the allowed 5% increase from last year, with insurance and general assistance line items reduced to \$50 each to meet the revised total. A motion was made by Trustee Nolan seconded by Trustee Foley to approve the levy resolution as amended. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. The levy certificate was amended to match the resolution.

Supervisor Piatt read the levy resolution for the Road Fund with the allowed 5% increase for a total of \$272,809. Trustee Nolan made a motion seconded by Trustee Olson to approve.

New Business none.

Trustee Bliickhan made a motion seconded by Trustee Foley to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Clerk Duff