

**Atlanta Township**  
**301 SW Arch Street, Atlanta, Illinois 61723**  
**March 10, 2025**  
**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The monthly meeting of the Atlanta Township Board was held March 10th, 2025, at the Atlanta Township Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Supervisor Julie Osborn. Those present were Supervisor Julie Osborn; Clerk Shellie Reed; Trustees Georgia Green, Amy Wertheim, Chuck Van Hoorn and Becky Brandt and Cemetery Manager Shelly Brookd. Public present was Bruce Compton and Josh Koonce. Highway Commissioner Green was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Osborn.

The following items were discussed:

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** Due to lack of quorum at the February meeting, the minutes from the January 14, 2025 meeting were presented for approval. Trustee Green made a motion to accept the minutes as presented from the January 14, 2025 meeting. Trustee Brandt seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2025, meeting as presented.

The minutes of the February 11, 2025, meeting were reviewed by each member. Trustee Brandt noted a grammatical correction and made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with corrections. Trustee Van Hoorn seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2025, meeting as presented with corrections.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:** Supervisor Osborn announced the Township Lobby Day in Springfield is April 29, if anyone would like to attend, reservations are due by April 11. The TOI educational events have been announced and Bloomington events will be in October.

**CLERK'S REPORT:** Electronic Recycling Day will be Saturday, March 29 from 9 am – 12 pm with the City of Atlanta. Clerk Reed presented the Annual Town Meeting agenda for review.

**HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER REPORT:** Highway Commissioner Green was absent. Trustee Wertheim said there has been a major dumping of trash out past her and suggested Highway Commissioner Green be referred to check it out to see if a name can be reported to the County Sheriff for charges to be filed. Trustee Green will pass it on. Trustee Green said a new ditch has been completed by her and looks very nice.

**CEMETERY REPORT:** Cemetery Manager Brooks reported the following: A cremation burial of Robert Matthews was held on February 28; a cremation burial for Phil Knoeppel is scheduled for March 8; a space was sold to Toby & Dawn Garner; a cremation burial for Don Faye has been rescheduled to May 31; she received a call requesting assistance locating burials and was able to update burial cards; the Betterment Fund Grant application has been received, completed and mailed asking for \$500.00; she called Helen Doty with the McLean Cemetery Association to ask about insurance and they also only have liability insurance; all burial listings have been printed and put in binders.

A discussion was held on the vandalized stones at the cemetery and it was determined the Township will have the stones reset on the bases, however any additional repairs will be responsibility of the families.

**OLD BUSINESS:** New Windows: Highway Commissioner Green was absent so discussion was tabled.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Proposed Budget for 2025-2026 – Clerk Reed distributed a copy of the proposed budget. Discussion was held on various items with final determinations made for posting. Trustee Green made a motion to approve the proposed budget for posting. Trustee Van Hoorn seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; The motion carried and the proposed budget will be posted for 30 days as required.

**FINANCIAL REPORT & PAYING OF BILLS:** Board members reviewed the bills and financial reports from February. Trustee Brandt made a motion to approve the financial report for February. Trustee Green seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; The motion carried and the February financial report bills were approved.

Board members reviewed the bills to be paid for March. Trustee Brandt made a motion to approve the financial report and paying of bills for March. Trustee Van Hoorn seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. The motion carried and the March financial report was approved and bills authorized for paying.

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:** Trustee Van Hoorn announced the Atlanta Ministerial Association Compassion Committee is hosting a counseling session for first responders at Atlanta Christian Church on Saturday, April 5. Registration is required but anyone is welcome to attend.

Supervisor Osborn related a phone call she received from Bloomington Township regarding a person at Casey's who ran out of gas and money and was needing help. Discussion was held on how to handle these situations since Township General Assistance money is for Township residents only.

Supervisor Osborn adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shellie Reed  
Atlanta Township Clerk