

Township of Bloomington
Monday, October 2nd, 2023
Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

The regular Monthly Board Meeting of the Town of Bloomington was called to order on Monday, October 2nd, 2023, at 7:00 pm by Chairman Bill Erdenberger. Roll call was taken and other members present were Supervisor I Mike Patterson, Supervisor II Joe Kirschbaum, Clerk Jane Patterson, Treasurer Brenda Kluesner, Patrolman Andrew "Buck" Crubel and Michelle Newhouse. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Mike Patterson) was made to approve the posting of the October 2nd meeting and Agenda, motion carried. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to approve the September 5th meeting minutes, motion carried. There were no appearances or public comments.

Roads and Machinery Reports: Patrolman Crubel reported that the culvert was installed on Maple Road. He did some grading on Dugway and Sandy Hollow Roads; and is waiting for J&N to install the culvert on Hickory Road. Todd Fischer will be installing new culverts at the farm on Holly Road. Todd submitted a driveway permit application-motion (Joe Kirschbaum), seconded (Bill Erdenberger) was made to approve the driveway permit application, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. Machinery is in good condition. Buck will get prices on new tires for the John Deere loader tractor, and he ordered new chains for the Town trucks and grader. Clerk Jane Patterson contacted John Deere Financial for the final payment on the Town's tractor lease. The principal payment is due October 15th, 2023.

Financial Report: Treasurer Brenda Kluesner presented the September 2023 financial report. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Mike Patterson) was made to approve the Treasurer's report, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. Clerk Jane Patterson reported the outstanding bills. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to approve the transfer of money from the equipment fund to the general fund to pay for the Town's loader tractor. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Bill Erdenberger) was made to approve payment of the J&N bill for winter mix fines and hauling salt, both motions on a roll call, yes-3, no-0, motions carried. The board, clerk and treasurer reviewed the Town's 2023 budget [revenues and expenses] to date, discussed the general fund, equipment fund, contingency fund and infrastructure fund end of the year balances and started planning the 2024 budget. There will be further discussion on the 2024 budget at the public budget hearing and the November regular board meeting.

New Business: Patrolman Crubel suggested that we paint the middle yellow lines on Maine Road, this item will be put on the November agenda for discussion and action. Mike Patterson will call Faherty Recycling concerning another large recycling bin. Former Chairman Greg Patterson talked to Greg Page about the navigational buoys. Mr. Page used the white PVC pipe as markers out to the Mississippi's main channel due to the low river level and had no problems with them or the DNR. He hopes to continue using the PVC pipe next year. Patrolman Crubel also mentioned the compensation for part-time help, this will also be put on the November agenda for discussion and action.

Next Meetings: The next regular Monthly Board Meeting will be held on Monday, November 6th, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Bloomington Township Town hall. The 2024 Budget Public Hearing will be held on Monday, Nov. 6th, 2023 at 6:30 pm; and the Special Towns Meeting to approve the 2023 Town's Tax Levy will be held Monday, Nov. 6th, 2023 immediately following the 2024 Budget Hearing.

Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted
Jane Patterson-Clerk