

March 14, 2013

The regular meeting of Sangamon Township was called to order at 7 P.M. Elsie Robinson, Ray Spencer, John Foley, Jim Hogan and Steve Harper were all present.

Public Comment – Melissa Chitwood commented the WHRL registration for softball was open. If you know of anyone that would be interested, please pass her information along. Mel Perry commented on the siren and that there are no grants available but there is a place that will loan for a very low interest rate of 3.125 for 40 years if we were interested. She also informed the board of The Work Force. It helps people to get jobs or even funded for schooling. They help write resumes and send out. Steve Long inquired if the candidates were interested in a candidate forum. No one showed interest.

February 14, 2013 minutes were read and motion made by Elsie Robinson to approve them, with a second from Jim Hogan. All were in favor. February bills were reviewed and a motion to except was made by Jim Hogan and second by Elsie Robinson and everyone was in favor.

Highway Commissioner – No report

Assessor – No report

Mowing - A discussion of what to do about mowing Township property this year was initiated by Ray Spencer. John Foley requested the amount of mowing expenditures paid by Sangamon Township to Jessica Sebens for the past mowing season from Ray Spencer. He reported that for the 2012 mowing season the township paid \$2500 for mowing services with equipment & fuel provided by Sebens. It was noted that we had a drought last year & that more frequent mowing would likely be needed in a year with more rain. John Foley made a motion to pay Frannie Dick \$400.00 a month to mow Township properties. Jim Hogan second. A discussion about using Sangamon Township Cemetery equipment & fuel for mowing to be done by Cemetery sextant, Franny Dick. It was noted that the additional depreciation, maintenance & repairs to cemetery mowing equipment would be borne by the township. Melanie Perry questioned Ray Spencer about advertising for bids and he stated that we were not required to seek competitive bids. After a discussion of the social security tax savings of 7.6% for Frannie Dick led by John Foley, it was decided to pay him as an employee rather than a vendor, an additional sum of \$400 per month for 7 months of mowing for a total cost of \$2800 plus gas, maintenance, & any needed repairs to cemetery mowing equipment. John Foley made a motion to amend the motion to pay Frannie Dick 400.00 for 7 months, April thru October, from the Cemetery Fund, as an employee, Elsie Robinson second. All were in favor.

Discussion about the White Heath School and its possible closing was done and John Foley offered to contact Vic Zimmerman and see about a special meeting to report on the situation. John Foley made the motion to add a report on White Heath School to the Town Meeting Agenda, second by Elsie Robinson, all were in favor.

The Road and Bridge budget was read and motion was made to except was made by Elsie Robinson and seconded by Steve Harper. Roll call was taken: Yays: 5 Nays: 0

The Town Fund budget was read and motion was made by Jim Hogan and second by John Foley. Roll call was taken. Yays: 5 Nays: 0

Golf Cart Fees – A motion was made by Steve Harper to make the initial fee \$25.00 and the renewal fee \$1.00., Elsie Robinson second. All were in favor.

Steve Harper made motion to adjourn, Jim Hogan second.

Mindy Allen

Sangamon Township Clerk