Sangamon Township Regular Meeting Minutes

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

June 13, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of Sangamon Township was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Mike Nolan. Roll Call was taken. Present were Supervisor Nolan and Trustees Bill Olson and Tim King.

Also present were Cemetery Sexton Frannie Dick and Clerk Kevin Duff.

Absent: Trustees Kathleen Piatt and Bill Blickhan.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Comment: Sexton Dick reported that 2 cemetery plots at Ingram have been sold and updated other cemetery information for for input into the cemetery software data base.

Invoices: Trustee Olson made a motion seconded by Trustee King to approve the invoices. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Trustee King made a motion seconded by Supervisor Nolan to approve last month's meeting minutes. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Announcements and Communication: Supervisor Nolan distributed a letter inviting the Board to attend a lunch with Mike Frerichs at the State fair, an announcement for a golf outing, a Tif notice, TOI educational workshops, a brochure about solar fencing, and a copy of an e mail that John Hayes's attorney has approved a transfer of land for the Township's Camp Creek Cemetery. Mr. Hayes is requesting the Township gift 10 gravesites in exchange. An update to the status of the land gift will be given at a later date.

New Business: Supervisor Nolan distributed information about the purchase of land from Rick Pontious including copies of the warranty deed, title insurance, and the wire transfer of funds from the Township account.

Supervisor Nolan, Trustee Blickhan and Aaron Brown from the White Heath Rec League put together a punch list of items for work this year on the existing ball diamond and the new ball diamond. The punch list items to be paid for grant funds are highlighted in yellow. The Rec League has a bid for the upgrade to electrical service for the existing ball diamond of \$3,500 including some materials and labor. Mr. Brown is working on a bid for the lights. A lift will be rented for volunteers to install the lights. Some repairs are needed on the fence. A motion was made by Supervisor Nolan and seconded by Trustee King for the Township to provide funds to purchase the electrical panel not to exceed \$5k. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. The final direction for the new diamond was decided by Supervisor Nolan, Trustee Blickhan and Mr. Brown. The orientation of the new field will be the same as the existing diamond. The cost of lime is being investigated. Supervisor Nolan will talk to Steve Koester about materials and a supplier for the sideline fence and the outfield fence. Mr. Brown is investigating alternatives for the backstop. Work needed to provide security lighting, to provide an electrical panel and design the configuration of future lights will be determined.

When a water leak is repaired at the existing diamond, a run for a new water line at the new diamond will be designed.

Supervisor Nolan will update IDNR about the the project status as required by the grant. The Board would like to apply for an additional 50/50 grant from IDNR for new lights. The application is due in July.

Copies of this month's transfers, deposits and possible loans were distributed. The Road and Bridge account owes the Township about \$39k so a loan might not be needed. If a loan is needed the interest rate will be in the upper range of 5%.

Expansion of the existing parking lot is to be evaluated in the future.

Old Business: The Illinois Fund is paying about 5.4%.

The cash flow projections distributed includes the cost of land acquisition.

Supervisor Nolan is arranging a presentation to the Board of the status of the cemetery software data base project.

A motion was made by Trustee King and seconded by Supervisor Nolan to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Clerk Duff