

Sangamon Township
Regular Monthly Meeting

July 11, 2013

Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of Sangamon Township was called to order at 7:00 by Supervisor Ray Spencer. Roll call was taken. Elsie Robinson, Ray Spencer, John Foley, Bill Olson and Steve Harper were present.

Debbie Marshall-Clerk and Brent Buckalew -Assessor were also present.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public comment was made by Steve Long. He requested that the Sangamon Township board create a resolution to be read into record at a Piatt County Board meeting. He asked that this topic be added to the agenda for a future township meeting. He also re-iterated about the need to retain education & schools in Sangamon Township.

The June 2013 minutes were read. Steve Harper made the motion to accept the minutes as presented, Bill Olson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Supervisor's report:

Ray reported that he contacted T.O.I.R.M.A. We do not have to use their contract for our agreement with our assessor. Both sides can create new wording to their satisfaction.

Assessor's report:

Brent said that he is most bothered by the wording in the contract that says a replacement assessor's salary should be paid by the retiring Assessor (in this case...Brent). He would also like the wording to reflect that a one day termination notice from either side would be sufficient. He also suggested that the Township strike out the wording that states that the township pays all travel expense for the Township Assessor.

Brent also reported that 2013 regular assessing is complete. He will be working on updates to property cards. For instance...if a structure has been demolished-therefore no longer on the property.

Highway Commissioner's report:

None

A motion to approve the payment of bills as presented was made by John Foley. Steve Harper seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

The Sangamon Township Cemetery Trustees requested that the Sangamon Township Trustees appoint Joyce Munster to a new term on the Cemetery Board. A motion was made by Elsie Robinson to appoint Joyce, and John Foley seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Ray expressed concern regarding the National changes in health insurance, and how this might affect the Township's responsibility for paying health insurance for eligible employees. We will need to monitor the future healthcare costs. Discussion of the future of healthcare insurance ensued.

The topic of developing a resolution pertaining to keeping education & schools in Sangamon Township was discussed as new business. It is believed that if the resolution is read at a Piatt County Board meeting and noted in the minutes, the Monticello School Board will take notice. John suggested proceeding with a draft of a resolution now. This topic will be added to the agenda for the August 2013 meeting. Steve Long was asked to write a draft of the resolution and present it at the August 2013 township meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Steve Harper and seconded by Elsie Robinson. All in favor...motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Marshall

Sangamon Township Clerk