

**Sangamon Township  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

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

**July 18, 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 Tim King, Kathleen Piatt, and Bill Olson

Also present were Diane and Victor Oberson, Andrea Shaw, Jocelyn Hilgenberg, Veronica Jones, Terri Norman, Highway Commissioner Larry Sebens, and Clerk Kevin Duff.

Absent: Trustee Bill Blickhan

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**Public Comment:** Ms. Norman from Trailblazers reported on the success of the temporary liquor license for their annual rodeo event over the last 3 years. Trailblazers would like start the approval process with the Township and the County to continue having a temporary liquor license. The Trailblazers must submit to the Township a petition with at least 15 signatures of Township registered voters requesting a Special Town Meeting to review the request for a temporary liquor license valid for 2025 for the three day rodeo event and 1 additional 1 day event. The request will be included on the 2025 Annual Town Meeting for the years 2026-2030 for the annual 3 day rodeo event and one additional annual 1 day.

Mr and Mrs Oberson reported that measures to prevent on road parking at the Township's baseball diamond and conflicts with attendees blocking their private drive and driving up to their house have not been successful since the last time that they reported the issue 2 years ago. With the construction of a second ball diamond, the parking problem will be even greater than it is now. Supervisor Nolan assured the Obersons that the Township recognizes the problem and will be considering additional possible remedies at the next Township meeting. Suggestions were made to employ an outside expert for possible parking solutions, to contact the County Sheriff about the issue, to install no parking signage, to not mowing the road ditches, and to ask the rec league to make announcements about no on road parking.

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

**Minutes:** Trustee King made a motion seconded by Trustee Piatt to approve the minutes. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

**New Business:** Supervisor Nolan reported that the first installment of property taxes has been received with about \$116k for the Township (\$100k for the Town account and \$15k for the Park account). The Road and Bridge account received about \$299k. The second installment is expected to be received in September.

Supervisor Nolan distributed reports of the transfers, deposits and balances in the Township's Illinois Fund accounts.

A report of the State's legislative updates was distributed.

Since the State requires only one account for IMRF and payroll tax transactions, Kelly's Accounting uses the Road and Bridge Account for IMRF and the Town Account for payroll

taxes. A reconciliation report was distributed showing a transfer of about \$51k from the Road and Bridge account to the Town account. Highway Commissioner Sebens noted that perhaps the agreement for the Township to pay half of his salary and the Road and Bridge account to pay half should be reconsidered. Some townships pay all of the salary for the road commissioner.

A motion was made by Trustee Olson and seconded by Trustee Piatt for the the Supervisor to pay up to \$2k of the expenses for the White Heath homecoming event this fall. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Piatt to keep the Township's closed meeting minutes closed. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

**Announcements:** The Township's cemetery license has been renewed with the State.

**Old Business:** No news is available about paper work for the gift of land to the Township at the Camp Creek Cemetery. Supervisor Nolan has contacted Ryan Woodham at the high school wood shop about making new signs for the Township's cemeteries. Tori Taylor has not recently been able to work on updating the Township's cemetery data since she broke her foot.

Supervisor Nolan distributed a positive cash flow projection.

The existing drainage tile at the new ball diamond site has been located 5 feet below the surface and the tile is clogged. White Heath Rec League chair Aaron Brown has met with Steve Koester about fencing needs at the new ball diamond and talked to the water company about extending the existing line to the new diamond. A bid for the electrical panel has been received. The panel will be installed by volunteers. Supervisor Nolan will talk to Ameren about night security lighting and United Prairie for lime for the new ball diamond.

A motion was made by Trustee Piatt and seconded by Trustee Olson to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Clerk Duff