

**Sangamon Township
Regular Monthly Meeting**

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

August 10, 2017

Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of Sangamon Township was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Kathleen Piatt. Roll call was taken. Kathleen Piatt, John Foley, Bill Olson, Steve Harper and Mike Nolan were present.

Debbie Marshall-Clerk and Larry Sebens-Highway Commissioner were also present.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Comment:

None

Minutes:

A motion to approve and accept the regular monthly July 2017 minutes --including a change to the reported speed limit on Old Rt 47 from 45 m.p.h. to 40 m.p.h. --was made by Bill Olson and seconded by John Foley. All were in favor.

Invoices:

A motion to approve invoices was made by Steve Harper and seconded by Mike Nolan. With a roll call vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays, the motion to approve invoices passed. Steve did inquire about the Verizon phone bill. It is a billing for Township internet, Township landline and Highway Commissioner's internet.

Kathleen has cancelled our Township building phone land line. We will receive a partial bill for this month. We now have a Township email...sangamontownshipoffice@gmail.com.

Announcements/communications:

Larry announced that he attended a three day Township Highway seminar held in Peoria.

Kathleen and Mike attended a Bootcamp seminar for newly elected officials sponsored by T.O.I. in Bloomington.

Kathleen updated us on General Assistance information. A new manual covering General Assistance will be issued. If Township General Assistance is not approved, the Township is allowed to assist with a "one time" aid. Mike questioned how the guidelines are set for

qualifications of a person for G.A. Is amount given by Supervisor's discretion only? An invoice from the G.A. recipient is presented to the Township Board for payment, with the recipient remaining anonymous. The money is then paid directly to the invoice. The G.A. recipient does not receive the money. Also, a requirement for G.A. is residence in the Township for at least one year.

Kathleen and Debbie attended the quarterly "Services for Seniors" Board meeting.

Old Business:

A credit balance with F.S has existed for a while. Prepaid contracts for L.P. gas have caused the credit balance. F.S says that we can get a refund of our overage. It amounts to approximately \$4500.

Kathleen passed out a rough draft of a Township balance sheet of current assets. There are nine funds total. The Board is to study the report and prepare any questions. We are investigating "laddering" of Certificate of Deposit investments. A discussion of the format of the rough draft report ensued.

Mike asked if a concern brought forth by Mark Seija concerning a neighbor had been settled. The resolution of the concern is addressed in the November 2016 minutes. The Board considers the issue settled.

Mike is planning to write Piatt County Board Chairman, Randy Keith and Piatt County Zoning Officer, Keri Nusbaum suggesting a general file be created for the ease of citizens in locating covenants information attached to any subdivision.

A property located near Steve Harper's home is in bad shape. There was discussion about possible consequences to be levied against the property owner. Another deteriorating property is across the road from the White Heath community building. A suggestion to form a committee to investigate ways to handle and enforce cleanup of these types of properties was met with favorable comments. The committee formation will be talked about at the September meeting.

New Business:

The T.O.I.R.M.A. claim report came in at a 20% loss ratio. Anything under 40% is desirable. T.O.I.R.M.A. asked for the Board to vote to adopt the loss control policy. A motion to adopt the loss control policy was made by John Foley and seconded by Mike Nolan. A unanimous vote was in favor to adopt the policy.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steve Harper and seconded by John Foley. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Marshall

Sangamon Township Clerk