

**Sangamon Township
Regular Meeting Minutes**

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

October 13, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of Sangamon Township was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Supervisor Kathleen Piatt. Roll Call was taken. Present were Supervisor Piatt and Trustees Mike Nolan, Bill Olson, Bill Blickhan and Tim King.

Also present were Thomas Scott, Jr., Leslie Heath, and Clerk Kevin Duff.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Comment: none

Minutes: A motion was made by Trustee Nolan and seconded by Supervisor Piatt to approve the September minutes as amended. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

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

Communications: A thank you note was received by the White Heath (Sangamon Township) Celebration Committee for the support of the Township.

Trustee Nolan reported that the Township's website has received over 100 hits this month and over 1100 hits this year.

Old Business: Leslie Heath, the present chair person of the White Heath Celebration Committee, thanked the Board. The Celebration on September 10, 2022 was well attended and well received. Ms. Heath reported that the Committee would like to have an annual celebration and will come back to the Board with more information.

Assessor Scott Whitehouse reported via e mail that he is still quite busy with Township business.

No cemetery report was received.

Supervisor Piatt introduced the idea to have a Sangamon Township Honored Citizen Award next month. A motion was made by Trustee Nolan and seconded by Trustee Blickhan to honor Martha Ann Stanley Rhodes at the November meeting for her outstanding contributions to the Township over many years with a engraved vase and flowers with the cost not to exceed \$75. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Piatt reported that she has not transferred the Township's property tax so the taxes are not reflected in the financial reports from Kelly this month. There will be another tax deposit in November.

Trustee Nolan passed out a positive cash flow projection. The idea was mentioned that if the Township has any funds not immediately needed that the Township might consider purchasing some short term U.S. Treasury Bonds to earn interest. The idea will be discussed at the next meeting.

Supervisor Piatt distributed hard copies of the audit to be discussed at the next meeting. The question was asked what outstanding checks are out there. Supervisor Piatt will follow up.

Aaron Brown, of the White Heath Rec League will attend the next meeting to discuss future development of the Park. Mr. Brown would like to recruit volunteers to help handle day to day issues so that he can focus on writing grants and other long term plans. Supervisor Piatt is happy to start asking about pledges for future park developments.

Residents are still asking if not having recycling available in the Township is a permanent problem. Until there is another vendor available, the problem is permanent.

Supervisor Piatt and Trustee Nolan will meet with Mike Schroeder of the Health Department about the Hickory Hill abandoned property. Supervisor Piatt will also contact the property owner.

New Business: A motion was made by Trustee Blickhan and seconded by Trustee Nolan to authorize Supervisor Piatt to meet with Attorney Rupiper to prepare the documents to raise the Town Levy up to 5% and reducing the Insurance Funds to 0, reducing the General Assistance Fund to 0, increasing the Park Fund to \$15,000 and add the remaining additional funds to the General Town Fund. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Olson to authorize Supervisor Piatt to meet with Attorney Rupiper and Highway Commissioner Larry Sebens to prepare the documents to raise the Road Levy up to 5% with the additional funds distribute to the Road accounts as described by Commission Sebens. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

The levies will be considered by the Board at the November meeting.

The Assessor's contract for 2023 will be discussed at the November meeting.

A motion was made by Supervisor Piatt and seconded by Trustee Nolan to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Clerk Duff