

**Sangamon Township
Regular Monthly Meeting**

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

November 9, 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. Mike Nolan, Kathleen Piatt, Bill Olson and Steve Harper were present. John Foley was absent.

Debbie Marshall-Clerk, Larry Sebens-Highway Commissioner and Brent Buckalew-Assessor were also present.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Comment:

Ramona Sullivan, Democratic Candidate for 6th Circuit Judge introduced herself.

Minutes:

A motion to approve and accept the regular monthly October minutes was made by Steve Harper and seconded by Mike Nolan. With no discussion, all were in favor.

Invoices:

A motion to approve invoices with a correction to pay Seben's Garage was made by Bill Olson and seconded by Steve Harper. A check was written in error to Larry Sebens instead of Seben's Garage. With a roll call vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays, the motion to approve invoices passed.

Announcements/communications:

Kathleen will attend the Fall T.O.I. conference November 13 and 14 in Springfield. She is hoping to educate the public on a need for cemetery upkeep and establishing a levy for the cemetery.

Kathleen also learned that the Township cannot borrow money from Highway funds to purchase property. The Township can borrow money from an outside source. There are 20 acres available for sale adjacent to the White Heath ball diamond ground. Research will be conducted in order to obtain more information.

Old Business:

Kathleen asked Amy Rupiper about our levy and increasing the Town fund. Money can be transferred to the Cemetery fund.

The 2017 Annual Township tax levy resolution was read aloud. A motion to approve was made by Bill Olson and seconded by Steve Harper. A roll call vote resulted in 4 ayes and 0 nays. The 2017 Annual Road & Bridge tax levy resolution was read aloud. With a motion to approve made by Mike Nolan and a second from Steve Harper, the resolution passed with a roll call vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

Kathleen reviewed some of the provided material citing other County and Township nuisance ordinances. Maybe we should draft our own? Should a committee be formed to create and implement a nuisance ordinance? Kathleen would like to resurrect a land use committee.

New Business:

Larry reported that current wages for his employees are as follows:

Casey Knowles \$12.50 per hour

Shawn Melton \$15.00 per hour

After a lengthy discussion, Brent Buckalew consented to continue as Sangamon Township Assessor. He will enter into a new contract beginning January 2018, after completing 30 hours of required coursework. He prefers to be paid for 2018 work in one lump sum January 2019.

A motion to adjourn was made by Steve Harper and seconded by Mike Nolan. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Marshall

Sangamon Township Clerk