

Sangamon Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
August 14, 2025

Sangamon Township Office Building
1264 East Road Rt 47 P.O. Box 38
White Heath, Illinois 61884

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Mike Nolan at 7:00 pm. Roll call was taken. Present were Supervisor Nolan and Trustees Bill Blickhan, Tim King and Tosha Valentine. Also present were Highway Commissioner Larry Sebens and Clerk Kevin Duff. Absent was Trustee Kathleen Piatt.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

No public comment was offered.

Announcements: A draft design of the sign for the Township Park was received from Ryan Woodham from the high school shop.

A brochure for phone numbers for residents needing assistance in Piatt County is now available.

Donated poles for the parking lot lights at the Park were received and installed.

A letter asking for donations for the Piatt County Toy and Gift program was received. The Township has not recently given donations to any programs.

Supervisor Nolan received from Sarah Perry at the County an update on abandoned properties in the Township.

Supervisor Nolan has applied and received renewal of the Township's SAM number, a requirement for State grant applications.

An audit for the grant payment was approved by the State's Office of Accountability.

A letter from Illinois Power was received about fluorescent lights being phased out.

A motion was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Valentine to approve July's regular township meeting minutes. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Nolan will follow up with Attorney Rupiper's bill. A motion was made by Trustee Blickhan and seconded by Trustee King to approve the invoices. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Under New Business, a motion was made by Trustee Valentine and seconded by Trustee Blickhan to approve an award to Hatch's Tree Service of \$3900 for tree trimming at Ingram Cemetery. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board chose an individual for the outstanding Township citizen for 2025.

One request for general assistance was made and given. The request was less than the maximum amount of \$450 set by the Board.

Supervisor Nolan will follow up with Blue Cross/Blue Shield to confirm once again that health insurance for the Road employees can be paid by check by the Township.

Supervisor Nolan will follow up again with IMRF to confirm that Commissioner Sebens is currently receiving credit in his retirement account.

A discussion occurred about CDL licenses for employees driving snowplows.

The audit has been received and distributed to the Trustees.

Trustee Blickhan updated the Board on projects at the Park. The lights at the parking lot should be operating by the end of September. White Heath Rec Board member Aaron Brown has a volunteer willing to try to install one of the new light fixtures at the existing ball diamond. Lights for the new ball diamond will be the last project at the new diamond. Curt Durbin has delivered more reclaimed gravel for the expansion of the parking lot. A goal

is to spread the infield lime for the new ball diamond this fall so that final grading and seeding can proceed yet this fall. Tiling work is finished except for the manhole near the road. Commissioner Sebens will coordinate the location of the manhole and spreading the lime with Phil Davis. Once seeding is complete, the backstop and fence can be installed. The White Heath Rec League will take bids and hold the contract for the backstop and fence work.

Applications for State grants for park projects are currently being received. Supervisor Nolan will confirm the due date for applications. Township Park projects to be considered are dugouts, a new concession stand and possibly new lights.

Under Old Business, a positive financial projection was distributed by Supervisor Nolan. The Road and Bridge accounts are accumulating funds. Commissioner Sebens is expecting to replace a new tandem truck at a cost of \$200k. Road repair work is continuing at a greater rate than last year thanks to the increased levy. The Town accounts are ahead of last year's amounts.

A motion was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Blickhan to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin Duff