

Sangamon Township Regular Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2026

Sangamon Township Office Building
1254 Old Rt 47 P.O. Box 38
White Heath, Illinois 61884

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Mike Nolan at 6:30 pm. Roll call was taken. Present were Supervisor Nolan and Trustees Bill Blickhan and Tosha Valentine. Also present were Thomas Scott, Jr., Cemetery Sexton Frannie Dick and Clerk Kevin Duff. Absent were Trustees Tim King and Kathleen Piatt. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

No public comments were made.

Under announcements, Supervisor Nolan reported that he attended the TIF meeting at the Piatt County Board. He asked about the extra TIF funds of about \$140k having been transferred to the swimming pool instead of being returned to the townships.

Trustee Blickhan made a motion seconded by Trustee Valentine to approve the minutes with one revision. A voice vote was taken, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Trustee Valentine made a motion seconded by Trustee Blickhan to approve the invoices. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Under new business, Supervisor Nolan reported that the County Zoning Committee did not approve the solar farm request that is proposed adjacent to the Township Park. The property is zoned Business (B-1) and solar farms are not permitted in B-1. The County Board directed the developer go back to Zoning to change the parcel's zoning to Agriculture (Ag-1) that does permit solar farms. If the Zoning Committee approves the zoning change and the proposal, the proposal will go back to the County Board for review at the September meeting. The proposal includes a grant to the White Heath Community Club of \$5K, a grant to the White Heath Fire Department of \$15K, and a grant to the White Heath Rec League of \$5K for

a tree planting buffer to be used at the new Township Park. If the solar farm proposal is approved by the County, the Township will receive a tax payment of about \$29K/year.

A meeting was held at the Camp Creek Cemetery on August 1, 2026, with Cemetery Sexton Frannie Dick, Road Commissioner Larry Sebens, tree trimming contractor Gus Hatch and Clerk Kevin Duff to review possible improvements at the cemetery. The immediate need is to trim a Catalpa tree threatening to fall on headstones and tree damage that has occurred along the west border also threatening headstones. Trustee Blickhan made a motion seconded by Trustee Valentine for tree trimming not to exceed \$5k at Camp Creek Cemetery. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved unanimously. Long range plans might consider creating a drive into the cemetery from the south road, clearing vegetation in the parcel recently donated to the Township as well as tree removal and creating a possible drive from the west side of the donated parcel.

Supervisor Nolan reported that additional infield lime has been delivered and spread at the new ball diamond. An additional 2 loads of lime may be needed. Trustee Blickhan will contact the contractor who seeded the new ball diamond to ask about reseeding and getting rid of the weeds in the seeded areas.

To move forward with an IDNR grant, Supervisor Nolan has renewed the Township's State SAMS number.

No update was available about adding a Park Manager for the new ball diamond.

No update was available on the status of oil and chip road repairs on the Township's roads.

The auditor has received an extension from the State to submit the Township's by August 24, 2026.

Transfers and deposits were reviewed by the Board.

Under old business, a positive financial projection was distributed to the Board. Supervisor Nolan suggested that the expense for a new truck paid under the Road and Bridge account might be partially charged to the Equipment account. He will discuss it with Road Commissioner Sebens.

A motion was made by Trustee Valentine and seconded by Trustee Blickhan to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Clerk Duff