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BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S MEETING

MINUTES OF APRIL 10, 2019

A meeting of Sterling Township Supervisor and the Board of Trustees was held on April 10, 2019 at the Sterling Town Hall at 8:30 am. The meeting was called to order by the supervisor, Mr. Theodore Harts.

Item 2 – Roll Call – Elected officials of the Sterling Township board present included: Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan, and Mr. Harts. Also present were the highway commissioner, Mr. Stutzke, the assessor, Mrs. Lawrence and the clerk, Mrs. Leal. Others present were Mrs. Sotelo, and Mr. Carroll.

Item 3 – Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Mr. Stutzke.

Item 4 – Approval of Agenda – Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Ausman to approve the agenda as presented. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan, and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

Item 5 – Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Item 6 – Communication from Visitors – Mrs. Andrea Hensgen Executive Director of Sauk Valley Food Bank spoke to the trustees about the food bank and how it is being run to help the community. They are seeking financial help from the township for the food bank.

Item 7 – Riverside Cemetery Report – Mr. Carroll gave out the Lots & Burial report.

Item 8 – Assessor Report – Mrs. Lawrence gave out a 1st quarter sales report. She also said that her office has helped with 316 senior freezes, 376 exemptions, 10 disabilities, and 4 landlord and tenant agreements.

Item 9 – Clerk Report - NONE

Item 10 – Highway Commissioner Report – Mr. Stutzke said that they are busy doing repairs at the highway garage.

Item 11 – Supervisor Report –Bills

Town Fund - \$21,582.73 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mr. McGinn to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

General Assistance - \$ 5,665.02 - Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the General Assistance Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Town IMRF Fund - \$858.58 - Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mr. McGinn to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town IMRF. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Community Development - \$3,493.76 - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to authorize and pay the expenses of the Community Development Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Town Social Security - \$1,264.72 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Social Security Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Riverside Cemetery - \$1,653.09 - Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Riverside Cemetery Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Cemetery Payroll - \$9,755.23 - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Riverside Payroll Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Fund - \$7,070.81 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road and Bridge Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Road Tax Fund \$1,211.25 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road Tax Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

Equipment & Building Fund - \$122.00 - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to authorize and pay the expenses of the Equipment & Building Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Highway Social Security Fund - \$514.93

Highway IMRF Fund - \$428.11 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mr. Duncan to authorize and pay the expenses of the Social Security Fund and the Hwy IMRF Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Item 11 – Trustee and Supervisor/Staff Reports:

Trustee, Mrs. Stanley asked if anyone has any good ideas (speakers, etc.) for the November conference this year, TOI would like to hear them. She also talked about the gas tax increase. She and Mr. Harts will be going to the Rock Falls Chamber next Tuesday to hear Toni McCombie and Neil Anderson speak.

Mrs. Sotelo gave out a quarterly expenditure report for the Center for Youth.

Supervisor, Mr. Harts said that he will be attending the Attorney's seminar on May 10, 2019. He also gave some information on TANIF.

Item 12– New Business - NONE

Item 13– Old Business – Revision of Road District Budget. – A motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to authorize and approve the revision made to the 2019 highway budget by the highway commissioner. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Item 14– Closed Session- (Pursuant to the IL. State Statute 5ILCS 120/2 c). – Mr. Ausman made a motion seconded by Mrs. Stanley to go into closed session regarding personnel. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

After discussion, motion was made by Mr. Ausman, seconded by Mr. McGinn to close executive session and go into the regular meeting. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Item 14– Communication from Visitors – NONE

Item 15– Adjournment – Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mr. Duncan to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Next meeting will be held on April 24, 2019 at 8:30 am, at 108 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2 in Sterling.

Frances Leal,
Township Clerk