

THEODORE HARTS  
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Highway Commissioner  
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## TOWN OF STERLING

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BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S MEETING

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 19, 2019

A meeting of Sterling Township Supervisor and the Board of Trustees was held on December 19 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, Mr. Duncan, and Mr. Harts. Also present were the highway commissioner, Mr. Stutzke and the assessor, Mrs. Lawrence and the clerk, Mrs. Leal. Trustee, Mrs. Stanley was absent from this meeting. Others present were Mrs. Schneider, Ms. Rundall and Mr. Carroll.

**Item 3 – Pledge of Allegiance** – Led by Mrs. Lawrence.

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

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

**Item 6 – Communication from Visitors – NONE**

**Item 7 – Riverside Cemetery Report - NONE**

**Item 8 – Assessor Report - NONE**

**Item 9 – Clerk Report - NONE**

**Item 10 – Highway Commissioner Report** – Mr. Stutzke said that he is looking into buying another truck next year. He will give more information later.

**Item 11 – Supervisor Report –Bills**

**Town Fund - \$25,043.48** - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mr. Duncan to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**General Assistance - \$6,884.97** - Motion was made by Mr. Duncan and seconded by Mr. McGinn to authorize and pay the expenses of the General Assistance Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Town IMRF Fund - \$807.64** - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town IMRF. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Community Development - \$2,954.13** - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Duncan to authorize and pay the expenses of the Community Development Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Town Social Security - \$1,198.94** - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mr. Duncan to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Social Security Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Road and Bridge Fund - \$9,402.06** - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mr. McGinn to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road and Bridge Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

**Road Tax Fund \$4,776.38** - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Duncan to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road Tax Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

**Highway Social Security Fund - \$549.30**

**Highway IMRF Fund - \$437.94**

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

**Item 11 –Supervisor/Staff Reports: No Reports.**

**Item 12– New Business:**

**MEETING DATES FOR 2020**

The meeting dates for 2020 were presented to the trustees. A motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Duncan to accept and pass the meeting dates for 2020. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

Budget adjustments were presented to the trustees. A motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mr. Duncan to accept and pass the budget adjustments. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**TOWN LEVY**

The 2019 town levy, collectable in 2020, was presented to the Board of Trustees in the amount of One million two hundred three thousand one hundred seventy two (\$1,203,172.)

<b>Town Fund</b>	<b>\$561,705</b>	<b>Audit Tax</b>	<b>\$ 3,500</b>
<b>Insurance Tax</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>I.M.R.F.</b>	<b>29,000</b>
<b>Social Sec. Tax</b>	<b>40,000</b>	<b>Gen. Assistance</b>	<b>213,944</b>
<b>Cemetery Tax</b>	<b>337,023</b>	<b>Unemploy. Tax</b>	<b>6,000</b>

A motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Ausman to approve and pass the 2019 Sterling Township levy as presented. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**ROAD DISTRICT LEVY**

The 2019 Road District levy, collectable in 2020, was presented to the Board of Trustees in the amount of \$ Five hundred twenty three thousand six hundred eighty one. (523,681.).

<b>Road &amp; Bridge Fund</b>	<b>\$380,000</b>	<b>Audit Tax</b>	<b>\$ 6,000</b>
<b>Insurance Tax</b>	<b>7,800</b>	<b>I.M.R.F.</b>	<b>2,300</b>
<b>Social Security Tax</b>	<b>5,500</b>	<b>Road Tax Fund</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Special Bridge Fund</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>Equip. &amp; Building</b>	<b>80,600</b>
<b>Road Damage Fund</b>	<b>39,481</b>		

A motion was made by Mr. Ausman seconded by Mr. McGinn to approve and pass the 2019 Road District levy in the amount of \$523,681 as presented. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Duncan and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Item 13– Old Business – NONE**

**Item 14– Closed Session- (Pursuant to the IL. State Statute 5ILCS 120/2 c). - NONE**

**Item 14– Communication from Visitors – NONE**

**Item 15– Adjournment** – Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Ausman to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Next meeting will be held on January 8, 2020 at 8:30 am, at 108 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2 in Sterling.

Frances Leal,  
Township Clerk