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BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S MEETING

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

A meeting of Sterling Township Supervisor and the Board of Trustees was held 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. Harts. Mrs. Stanley attended per telephone. Also present were the assessor, Mrs. Lawrence and the clerk, Mrs. Leal.

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

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

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

Item 6 – Communication from Visitors – NONE

Item 7 – Riverside Cemetery Report - NONE

Item 8 – Assessor Report – Assessor, Mrs. Lawrence said that exemption notices have gone out. She also said that all appeals are due October 22.

Item 9 – Clerk Report – The clerk, Mrs. Leal reported that the annual town meeting will be held on October 6. The supervisor contacted the health department and he received a letter giving the township permission to proceed with the meeting. Social distancing requirements will be followed.

Item 10 – Highway Commissioner Report -NONE

Item 11 – Supervisor Report –Bills

Town Fund - \$14,995.67 - 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 and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

General Assistance - \$3,265.82 - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the General Assistance Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Town IMRF Fund - \$1,080.50 - 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, Mrs. Stanley and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Community Development - \$1,332.00 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mr. McGinn to authorize and pay the expenses of the Community Development Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Town Social Security - \$1,190.95 - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Social Security Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Fund - \$8,990.29 - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road and Bridge Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

Road Tax Fund \$1,486.87 - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road Tax Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

Highway Social Security Fund - \$535.58

Highway IMRF Fund - \$555.19

Motion was made by Mr. McGinn 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, Mrs. Stanley, and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

Item 11 –Supervisor & Trustee Report:

Mrs. Stanley stated that she would like people to sign up for the virtual November conference.

Mr. Harts said that he has been working on elected official's salaries. He also said that the township received a grant in the amount of \$5,000 from Community State Bank of Rock Falls. This grant is a part of a \$14 million dollar targeted impact fund. It provides members grants in order to support relief efforts for populations hardest hit by CVOVID-19.

Item 12– New Business: The board discussed the Annual Town Meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Ausman seconded by Mrs. Stanley to have the annual town meeting with social distancing requirements on October 6, 2020 at the Center for Youth, at 6:30pm. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley and Mr. Harts 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 October 14, 2020 at 8:30 am, at 108 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2 in Sterling.

Frances Leal,
Township Clerk