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### BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S MEETING

MINUTES OF JANUARY 13, 2021

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, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts. Also present were the highway commissioner, Mr. Stutzke and the assessor, Mrs. Lawrence and the clerk, Mrs. Leal. Others present were Mr. Carroll, Mrs. Schneider and Ms. Rundall.

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

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

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

**Item 7 – Riverside Cemetery Report** – Mr. Carroll gave out a December sales report for the cemetery.

**Item 8 – Assessor Report** – Mrs. Lawrence gave out a last quarter sales report and said that they are updating their books right now.

**Item 9 – Clerk Report** – Mrs. Leal reported that all the candidates names for the April 6 election have been sent to the county clerk to be listed on the ballot.

**Item 10 – Highway Commissioner Report** – Mr. Stutzke reported to the trustees that he is going to buy a dump truck that comes with a plow and spreader, which is not a new truck but is in very good condition.

**Item 11 – Supervisor Report –Bills**

**Town Fund - \$12,878.24** - Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**General Assistance - \$2,296.66** - Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the General Assistance Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Town IMRF Fund - \$1,135.34** - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town IMRF. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Community Development - \$3,465.22** - Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mr. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the Community Development Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Town Social Security - \$1,214.76** - Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Social Security Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Riverside Cemetery - \$3,567.36** - Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Riverside Cemetery. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Cemetery Payroll - \$22,881.07** - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to authorize and pay the expenses of the Riverside Cemetery Payroll Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Road and Bridge Fund - \$8,189.44** - 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, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

**Road Tax Fund \$8,126.29** - 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, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

**Equipment & Building - \$218.00** - 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, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

**Highway Social Security Fund - \$576.19**

**Highway IMRF Fund - \$601.25**

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

**Road and Bridge Fund - \$12,279.72** - Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road and Bridge Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

**Road Tax Fund \$1,284.89** - 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, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

**Equipment & Building - \$796.00** - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to authorize and pay the expenses of the Equipment & Building Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts voted aye. Motion carried.

**Highway Social Security Fund - \$661.17**

**Highway IMRF Fund - \$590.14**

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

**Item 11 – Trustee and Supervisor/Staff Reports:**

**Mrs. Stanley** said that she attended a trustee virtual meeting last week and that they thought the virtual November conference went very well this year. They had around four hundred participants sign up. They would like to hold a virtual conference next year also. The next meeting will be in April.

**Mr. Harts** spoke about purchasing two generators, one for the Township and one for the CFY. He also mentioned the food pantry. He is looking into what procedures the township has to take to have a food pantry. He will be reporting on this at a later date.

**Item 12– New Business:**

**HOLIDAYS:** Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to approve the Holiday Schedule for the year 2021 as presented. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**MEETING DATES:** Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to approve the Meeting Dates for the year 2021 as presented. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**BANKS:** Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to approve the Banks that Sterling Township will use for the year 2021 as presented. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS** - Motion was made by Mrs. Stanley and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to

approve the Budget Adjustments for the year 2020 as presented. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**RECERTIFY IMRF ELIGIBILITY FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS** – A motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to recertify the eligibility resolution for the elected officials for IMRF participation as presented. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Kurpius and Mr. Harts all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Item 13– Old Business – NONE**

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

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

**Item 15– Adjournment** – Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Stanley to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Next meeting will be held on January 27, 2021, at 8:30 am, at 108 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2 in Sterling.

Frances Leal,  
Township Clerk