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BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S MEETING

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2021

A meeting of Sterling Township Supervisor and the Board of Trustees was held at the Sterling Town Hall at 12 pm. The meeting was called to order by the supervisor, Mrs. Angela Schneider.

Item 2 – Roll Call – Elected officials of the Sterling Township board present included: Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider. Also present were the highway commissioner, Mr. Glazier and the assessor, Mrs. Lawrence and the clerk, Mrs. Leal. Others present were Cemetery manager, Mr. Carroll and GA director, Ms. Rundall.

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

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

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

Item 6 – Communication from Visitors – NONE

Item 7 – Riverside Cemetery Report – Mr. Carroll gave out a Sales & Burial report.

Item 8 – Assessor Report - NONE

Item 9 – Clerk Report - NONE

Item 10 – Highway Commissioner Report – Highway commissioner, Mr. Glazier said that the highway department has received the new snow plow truck that was ordered. There is also a new gas pump that is being put in on the highway grounds. Everything else is going smoothly.

Item 11 – Supervisor Report –Bills

Town Fund - \$20,013.45 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

General Assistance - \$3,309.61 - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mrs. Wilkinson to authorize and pay the expenses of the General Assistance Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Community Development - \$655.15 - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mrs. Wilkinson to authorize and pay the expenses of the Community Development Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Town Social Security - \$862.45 - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Social Security Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Riverside Cemetery General Fund - \$3,396.97 - Motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinson and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the Cemetery General Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Riverside Payroll Fund - \$19,356.03 - Motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinson and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the Cemetery Payroll Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Fund - \$27,026.78 - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mrs. Wilkinson to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road and Bridge Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider voted aye. Motion carried.

Road Tax Fund \$1,191.97 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road Tax Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider voted aye. Motion carried.

Equipment & Building - \$4,616.22 - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mr. Ausman, to authorize and pay the expenses of the Equipment & Building Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider voted aye. Motion carried.

Road Damage - \$10,928.00 - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road Damage Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman,

Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider voted aye. Motion carried.

Highway Social Security Fund - \$627.52 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the Social Security Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Highway IMRF Fund - \$559.71 - Motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinsobn and seconded by Mr. McGinn to authorize and pay the expenses of the Hwy IMRF Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Item 11 – Trustee and Supervisor/Staff Reports:

Mrs. Wilkinson asked about the some of the township funds. The discussion that followed was about a Capital Fund where townships and road districts may accumulate monies for capital improvement projects and equipment. If the fund was to be created, the township and road districts must list the amount of money being dedicated to the project/equipment, the purpose of the dedication and the duration of the accumulation of funds. The supervisor will come back and report with more information on this fund. Mrs. Wilkinson also mentioned the inspection of bills before they are being paid. Some bills are being paid because of the timing of bills being due. The supervisor will come back with more information on that also.

Mrs. Schneider said that the security cameras were replaced at the CFY building. She also said that she and Ms. Rundall talked to the people at the library and are going to try to work something out for the low income families to be able to get library cards.

Ms. Rundall gave the board reports regarding the food bank and the Center For Youth rentals.

Item 12– New Business - NONE

Item 13– Old Business – Mrs. Wilkinson asked about how the food pantry was going and said that if not enough people are showing up that maybe another system of running the pantry can be tried. There were many pros and cons about the pantry and the supervisor will look into this also.

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 Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mr. Ausman to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Next meeting will be held on September 22, 2021, at 12 pm, at 108 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2 in Sterling.

Frances Leal,
Township Clerk