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BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S MEETING

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 10, 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, 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 GA Director, Ms. Rundall and Cemetery manager, Mr. Carroll.

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

**Item 4 – Approval of Agenda** – Motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinson and seconded by Mr. Ausman 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. McGinn 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.**

**Item 7 – Riverside Cemetery Report** – Mr. Carroll gave out an October burial report.

**Item 8 – Assessor Report** – Mrs. Lawrence said that she will now start working on quads and she also said that Mike will also be very busy when this project starts.

**Item 9 – Clerk Report - NONE**

**Item 10 – Highway Commissioner Report** – Mr. Glazier reported that all of his equipment is in good running order and he and his men are ready for winter. He attended the Highway Commissioner's seminar and said that it was a good and very informative conference.

**Item 11 – Supervisor Report –Bills**

**Town Fund - \$18,735.15** - 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. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

**General Assistance - \$2,725.73** - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mr. Ausman 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 - \$385.09** - Motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinson and seconded by Mr. McGinn 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 - \$806.84** - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius 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.

**Cemetery General Fund - \$57,719.26** - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mr. McGinn 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.

**Cemetery Payroll Fund - \$18,586.07** - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mr. McGinn 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 - \$69,194.80** - Motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinson and seconded by Mr. McGinn 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 \$159,192.29** - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mr. Ausman 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 - \$14,879.03** - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius 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.

**Highway Social Security Fund - \$610.15** - Motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinson 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 - \$567.81** - Motion was made by Mr. McGinn and seconded by Mr. Ausman 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. Schneider** said that the General Assistance levels will be increasing. She also said that so far the sign-ups for the turkey baskets are 232 and there is still a week and a half left for people to sign up.

**Ms. Rundall** gave a report on the township health insurance. She said that it would benefit the township to stay with the current health insurance which is BlueCross BlueShield. She also gave the last report on the township food bank which is now closed.

**Item 12– New Business - NONE**

**Item 13– Old Business**

**RESOLUTION / BILLS:** After discussion, there was a motion made by Mr. Ausman seconded by Mrs. Wilkinson authorizing payment of invoices for bills due for the Township, Cemetery and Road district funds prior to board meetings. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

**RUSSELL ESTATE:** After much discussion about the Russell account, a motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mr. Ausman for the supervisor to go forward and work with our attorney to investigate further into the Russell account. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mr. McGinn, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried. The supervisor will report back to the board on this matter.

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

**Item 14– Communication from Visitors –** Mrs. EmmaLea Bittner, a representative from the Sauk Valley IMPACT program attended the meeting to explain their program. This program is an earned tuition program.

**Item 15– Adjournment –** Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Next meeting will be held on November 23, 2021, at 12 pm, at 108 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2 in Sterling.

Frances Leal,  
Township Clerk