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BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S MEETING

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2022

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, 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 Mr. Carroll and Ms. Rundall.

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

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

Item 5 – Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – Motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinson and seconded by Mr. Ausman to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, 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 January sales report for the cemetery. He also mentioned that he is doing a lot of repair to his equipment. He is looking into buying a new Bobcat in the near future.

Item 8 – Assessor Report – Mrs. Lawrence said that her office is very busy working on exemptions, freezes, and fly-overs. She also attended an in-person Assessor's Association meeting.

Item 9 – Clerk Report – Mrs. Leal is now working on getting information together for the annual town meeting which will be held on April 12, 2022 at 6:30pm in the town hall building.

Item 10 – Highway Commissioner Report – Road commissioner, Mr. Glazier said that his men are busy trying to keep the drifting snow off of the roads. He also is looking into buying new equipment for the highway department. He will bring more information on this at future meetings. The commissioner also invited everyone to the Northwest Illinois Highway Commissioners Spring Seminar which is being held at Westwood on April 1, 2022. Several people were interested and signed up to go.

Item 11 – Supervisor Report –Bills

Town Fund - \$10,760.57 - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mrs. Wilkinson to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

General Assistance - \$2,035.44 - Motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinson and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the General Assistance Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Community Development - \$117.28 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Wilkinson to authorize and pay the expenses of the Community Development Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Town Social Security - \$891.80 - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mrs. Wilkinson to authorize and pay the expenses of the Town Social Security Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Cemetery General Fund - \$5,752.59 - Motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinson and seconded by Mr. Ausman to authorize and pay the expenses of the Cemetery General Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Cemetery Payroll Fund - \$13,488.96 - Motion was made by Mrs. Kurpius and seconded by Mrs. Wilkinson to authorize and pay the expenses of the Cemetery Payroll Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Road and Bridge Fund - \$38,821.95 - Motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to authorize and pay the expenses of the Road and Bridge Fund. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider voted aye. Motion carried.

Highway Social Security Fund - \$677.98 - 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, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

Item 11 – Trustee and Supervisor/Staff Reports:

Supervisor, Mrs. Schneider met with Mrs. Brenda Reynolds regarding the Strategic Planning for the township. She also spoke with Mrs. Christy Gyle and the township attorney regarding the Russell Estate. She will keep the board informed on the Russell Estate. The Attorney General's website is back up and running. Township officials can now take the FOIA and OMA training through the Attorney General's website.

Item 12– New Business:

CEMETERY PRICES INCREASE:

The cemetery manager, Mr. Carroll handed out the new price increases for the cemetery at the last meeting. The cemetery price increases were discussed. A motion was made by Mrs. Wilkinson and seconded by Mr. Ausman to accept and pass the price increases for Riverside Cemetery Services as presented. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider all voted aye. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS:

After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Ausman and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to accept and pass the highway budget adjustments as presented. Trustees, Mr. Ausman, Mrs. Kurpius, Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Schneider 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 Mrs. Wilkinson and seconded by Mrs. Kurpius to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Next meeting will be held on February 23, 8:30 am at 108 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2 in Sterling.

Frances Leal,
Township Clerk