

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 5, 2014 O'Fallon Township 801 E. State St. O'Fallon, IL 62269

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Supervisor Gary Ahle, Highway Commissioner Mark Downs, Town Clerk David Witter, Trustees: Gary Hursey, Jeff Bevirt, Kenneth Joseph, and Doug Scott; Deputy Town Clerk/Recorder Debbie Allsup and Recorder Sheri Heil

Others present: Gary Fohne, Martin Ercoline, Sr. and Danny Trueblood

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Trustee Doug Scott to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2014 meeting as presented and seconded by Trustee Jeff Bevirt. Motion Carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Ahle informed the board of a land dedication and groundbreaking for Memorial Hospital East on Sunday, March 9, 2014 at 1:30 P.M.

There is some electrical work that needs to be done around the building. Ahle said it may not all get done in this budget but, there are lights in the hall and in Ahle's office that need to be fixed right away. Later on, Ahle would like to get the front and rear lights updated, taken off timers and replace with dusk to dawn settings.

The St. Clair County Township Officials Association quarterly meeting will be held at the Millstadt VFW on Thursday, February 20' 2014 at 7:00 P.M.

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS BILLS

Town Fund \$ 25,614.86 General Assistance Fund \$ 2,712.79

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Trustee Gary Hursey questioned the high postage bill, it was advised that postage is purchased once a year and it was purchased prior to the rate going to .49 cents from .46 cents to save money.

Trustee Jeff Bevirt made a motion to authorize the Supervisor's bills to be paid accordingly and seconded by Trustee Kenny Joseph. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Highway Commissioner Mark Downs asked for a moment of silence in memory of Jerome Gass.

Per Downs' "RaDAR", the Road District had done the following during the weeks of January 13, 2014 through February 2, 2014:

(See attachment A)

Trustee Kenny Joseph asked about how the equipment is holding up. Trustee Gary Hursey asked about salt purchases and availability. There were comments made on how well the roads looked. Discussion followed.

APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S BILLS

Permanent Road Fund \$ 133,301.10 Road & Bridge Fund \$ 24,057.33

Trustee Doug Scott made a motion to authorize the Highway Commissioner's bills to be paid accordingly as presented and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Clerk David Witter reported on the township website with 607 visits. 79.4% were new visitors and 20.6% were returning visitors.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Kenny Joseph wanted to commend the Highway Commissioner and the Road District employees for all their hard efforts. They are doing an excellent job.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SENIOR REPORT



Trustee Doug Scott reported the Committee met on Wednesday January 22^{nd} . The next Committee dinner will be on Thursday, February 13^{th} at 5:30 P.M. The Committee Board will meet on Wednesday February 26^{th} at 6:30 P.M.

YOUTH REPORT

Trustee Kenny Joseph reported the next Youth Committee meeting will be on Monday February 24th at 7:30 P.M. It was pushed back one week because of the President's Day Holiday.

Trustee Jeff Bevirt said there approximately 7-8 students in attendance at the Committee meeting on January 27th. It was discussed that the group will no longer do the Christmas Caroling because of poor attendance. The next function will be the YMCA swim in March. They got the Cardinal Baseball tickets ordered which is being done a little different this year. Instead of going to the last game of the season, they were able to purchase tickets for Friday, September 19th which is Fireworks Night. Instead of tickets in Big Mac Land, they have box seats off left field. Bevirt said the tickets for that particular Friday were 50% off for groups of 25 or more.

PLANNING REPORT

No report.

AFTER PROM REPORT

Trustee Jeff Bevirt said he has started getting the entertainment lined up. He has contracts on the photo booth, karaoke and the magician. He is waiting to hear from St. Clair Bowl and the Caricature Artist. Request for Donation letters are ready to be mailed out next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Supervisor Ahle said he spoke with Kruep Construction about possibly getting stainless steel partitions and new toilet paper dispensers installed for the men's bathrooms. The bid for this is \$2,804.

Trustee Kenny Joseph made a motion to approve the bid amount of \$2,804 for stainless steel partitions to be installed by Kruep Construction as presented and seconded by Trustee Jeff Bevirt. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Joseph – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Request for funding from the Southwestern Illinois Metropolitan and Regional Planning Commission (SIMAPC)

Supervisor Gary Ahle made motion to table the request for funding by SIMAPC and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

An engagement letter received from Allison Knapp & Siekmann regarding the Annual Audit for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2015. The two (2) year contract will be\$8,600 for 2014 (\$50 increase from 2013) and \$8,750 for 2015 (\$150 increase from 2014). Board members agreed the price seems pretty comparable with other accounting firms and they do a good job.



Trustee Kenny Joseph made a motion to approve the 2-year contract for Annual Audits submitted by Allison Knapp & Siekmann and seconded by Trustee Jeff Bevirt. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

Approval of a Hall Rental request submitted by Laura Hamilton for the purpose of Bible studies on Sunday, February 23, 2014 from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Trustee Gary Hursey made a motion to approve the hall rental request submitted by Laura Hamilton and seconded by Trustee Kenny Joseph. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

Approval of a Hall Rental Request submitted by Mary Gray, President of the Metro East Pachyderm Club, for the purpose of a Board meeting on the following Saturdays: February 15, 2014, March 15, 2014, April 19, 2014 and June 21, 2014 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Trustee Gary Hursey made motion to approve the hall rental request submitted by the Pachyderm Club and seconded by Trustee Doug Scott. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Supervisor Ahle informed the board of 2 notifications received in the mail today that did not make it on the agenda:

Township Officials of Illinois (TOI) is holding their 32nd Annual Township Topics Day on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 in Springfield, IL. Ahle told board members interested in attending, register at the Township office.

St. Clair County Clerk Thomas Holbrook sent an Election Notice that the last day to register voter for the March 18, 2014 General Primary Election is February 18, 2014.

New Law for Voting Age for General Primary Election:

10 ILCS 5/3-6 – This law applies only to the <u>General Primary Election</u>. An individual who is 17 years of age on the date of a primary election and who is otherwise qualified to vote and will be 18 years of age on or before the date of the <u>immediately following General Election</u> is qualified to vote at that primary.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Kenny Joseph to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Trustees seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 P.M.	
Respectfully submitted by:	
David A. Witter Town Clerk	

