



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

November 3, 2021
O'Fallon Township
801 E. State St.
O'Fallon, IL 62269

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Highway Commissioner Mark Downs, Township Clerk Matt Gilreath, Trustees: Doug Scott, Frank Morski, Bob Kueker and Gary Hursey, Township Attorney Cory Easton, Office Manager/Deputy Clerk Debbie Allsup and Recorder Sheri Heil.

Trustee Frank Morski made a motion to excuse Supervisor Gary Ahle from the meeting and seconded by Trustee Doug Scott. Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 6TH, 2021 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Trustee Bob Kueker made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 6th Board of Trustees meeting as presented and seconded by Trustee Doug Scott. Motion Carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Trustee Gary Hursey reported:

Annual audit field work is completed – should receive the full report in a couple of weeks – Henry Siekmann has retired being replaced by Brian Otten.

Annual levies will be emailed once completed to be voted upon at the next board meeting. Deputy Clerk Debbie Allsup said the percentages are pretty much the same as before, and should go out next week.

Hursey added that Charlie Pitts from the Rotary Club came to the office earlier in the day to speak with Supervisor Ahle about the club's intentions on providing a walk-in refrigeration unit for the O'Fallon Community Food Pantry. They want to apply for a grant and would like the Township to write a letter on their behalf in support of the grant. Mr. Pitts also wanted a dollar amount of what the Township planned on donating put in this letter. Everything previously discussed, did not include the Township contributing any monies toward the project. Hursey spoke with Ahle earlier today and they both agree, this is not something the Township can financially be a part of. Hursey asked the Board what their thoughts are. All were in agreement; this project was initiated by the Rotary Club and no previous mention of the Township contributing or, matching funds was ever made. Hursey said this should be on 'hold' until Mr. Pitts can speak to board and provide a proposal of some sort.

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS BILLS

Town Fund	\$ 19,017.56
General Assistance Fund	\$ 3,235.89

Trustee Doug Scott made a motion to authorize the Supervisor's bills to be paid accordingly and seconded by Trustee Frank Morski. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Hursey – aye. Motion Carried.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Highway Commissioner Downs said the written report (RaDar) will be emailed to the board when complete. He did say that the mowing for the season has been completed. They worked with a contractor for the removal of tree branches hanging over roadways. An inspection by the IEPA (Illinois Environmental Protection Agency) was done last week as part of the MS-4 Stormwater requirements. The inspection went well and a written report will be forthcoming. Several trucks have been prepared for weather events and ditching operations began today.

Trustee Morski inquired about the salt supply. Downs said the salt dome and beet juice supply is all full.

APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S BILLS

Permanent Road Fund	\$ 3,461.79
Road & Bridge Fund	\$ 20,378.78

Trustee Frank Morski made a motion to authorize the Highway Commissioner's bills to be paid accordingly and seconded by Trustee Doug Scott. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Hursey – aye. Motion Carried.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Clerk Matt Gilreath reported in the last two business days; 12 statements were received from the St. Clair County quarterly review. Gilreath will email out a written report on each one to the board.

TRUSTEES REPORT

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SENIOR COMMITTEE REPORT

No report.

YOUTH REPORT

Clerk Matt Gilreath reported he has a meeting scheduled for the first of the new year discussing the option of a scholarship fund. Not an extreme amount but, something to encourage young people to get involved in government. A brief discussion followed.

PLANNING REPORT

No report.

AFTER PROM REPORT

Trustee Gary Hursey reported he called OTHS prom coordinator, Jodie Seipp about 2022 Prom and has not yet heard back from her. Hursey said he would like to possibly get a \$10-\$20 gift card of some type to give out to every After Prom attendee. He is aware this will be quite a bit more money but, there will be fewer gifts overall to hand out. He will also speak with Ms. Seipp about a set amount for each ticket sold to go towards After Prom expenses.

FOOD PANTRY REPORT

No report.

RUMMAGE SALE REPORT

Trustee Bob Kueker reported the next sale is on Saturday, November 13th, 7:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. He also spoke with Sue Witter, and she informed him they found somebody to come and take all the leftover, unsold items. Deputy Clerk Debbie Allsup informed the board that we currently stopped taking donations. The reason being; there is so many boxes stacked up, it could become a liability if somebody were to get injured while putting items in the garage. Also, they do not want to overwhelm the new person who collects the leftover items. Collections will resume on Friday, November 12th, when the garage is cleared out.

Clerk Gilreath mentioned some local police departments inquired if there would be any interest in unclaimed stolen bicycles for the sale. He will refer them to the office for more information.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No current updates regarding Rotary Van program.

Clerk Gilreath inquired about discussions at an earlier meeting regarding a possible gift card giveaway to Rummage Sale volunteers in recognition of their time and energy towards the set-up for the sale. Deputy Clerk Allsup said this is difficult because of the number of volunteers and, the ones who are here more often than others. A brief discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of a Hall Rental request submitted by Katrina Criggler for the purpose of a Surprise Party on Sunday, November 28th, 2021 from 5:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.

Trustee Frank Morski made a motion to approve the Hall Rental submitted by Katrina Criggler as presented and seconded by Trustee Doug Scott. Roll Call: Scott- aye; Morski - aye; Kueker - aye; Hursey - aye. Motion Carried.

Approval of a Hall Rental request submitted by Vivian Keim (resident of O'Fallon Township) for the purpose of a meeting for the Village of Braeswood home Owners Association on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Trustee Gary Hursey made a motion to approve the Hall Rental submitted by Vivian Keim as presented and seconded by Trustee Bob Kueker. Roll Call: Scott- aye; Morski - aye; Kueker - aye; Hursey - aye. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Bob Kueker to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Trustees and seconded by Trustee Doug Scott.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Matthew Gilreath, Town Clerk