



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

April 5, 2023
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, Township Clerk Matthew Gilreath, Trustees: Gary Hursey, Doug Scott, Bob Kueker and Frank Morski, Township Attorney Cory Easton, Office Manager /Deputy Clerk Debbie Allsup and Recorder Sheri Heil

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MARCH 1ST BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Trustee Bob Kueker made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 1st, 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting as presented and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Motion Carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Transit Committee Report – Rider Report provided. Supervisor Gary Ahle reported the 2011 Ford Van was taken to Southern Bus & Mobility in Breese for some much-needed repairs and servicing. Total cost for all was \$2,423.70. On the new 2022 van, there needs to be a wider running board and a grab-handle to aid the passengers on and off the van. Ahle has contacted Southern Bus to address these unforeseen issues.

All election supplies were returned to the County with help from the Road District employees.

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS BILLS

Town Fund	\$ 112,683.58
General Assistance Fund	\$ 6,616.85

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

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

RaDAR report provided.
(See attachment A)

Town Clerk Matt Gilreath said while he was out meeting people for the city election, a lot of people complimented on how well the Township roads are maintained and taken care of in inclement weather.

Trustee Frank Morski questioned a bill from Gonzalez Companies. Downs explained; St. Clair County tells the road district what they think needs to be done on what bridges. Downs had Gonzalez conduct a survey on 24 structures to get a second opinion. There was also a bridge hit on Bowler Rd. which Downs and local law enforcement were unable to find out who hit it. Cost for repairs came in at over \$200,000. Downs said there has been a separate account since he took office just for bridges. He wanted to eliminate that account and was advised to run it down as an expenditure. He is doing this by having the bridges assessed. Ahle asked if this payment will deplete the bridge fund. After speaking with TOI (Township Officials of Illinois), Downs said it will deplete that one specific fund but, he does have a line item on his budget for bridge expenses. A brief discussion followed.

Trustee Gary Hursey asked Downs about increasing costs with gas and oil, will this affect his work with asphaltting roads this year. Downs said he has a rough estimate on what he wants to accomplish, and has increased this expense on his budget which has not yet been approved.

APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S BILLS

Permanent Road Fund	\$	115,415.89
Road & Bridge Fund	\$	137,791.10
Bridge Fund	\$	7,870.00

Trustee Bob Kueker 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; Ahle – aye. Motion Carried.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Clerk Matt Gilreath reminded everyone of the Annual Township Meeting on Tuesday, April 11th, at 7:00 P.M.

The last 2 weeks at 2 different committee meetings, the city is planning to annex all the way to Lebanon. Supervisor Ahle and Trustee Hursey asked if this is just along Highway 50, Gilreath said the way it looked on the screen he saw, it's a lot. A discussion followed.

An annexation request for 2.20 acres located at 2061 Quarry Rd. went into effect on February 21st.

Gilreath asked the board to consider a request to use the Township Hall once a year for a workshop where legal volunteers (lawyers and judges) aid individuals with expungement(s) of older criminal records. Supervisor Ahle said it will be on next month's agenda to discuss further.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Frank Morski requested if the monthly Monday night Pinochle group can keep on playing through Summer. Morski monitors use of the building so there is no expense to pay someone. Supervisor Ahle thinks it's a great idea.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SENIOR COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Doug Scott reported the dinner on March 16th, 63 tickets were sold with 6 no-shows. There was no entertainment that night because of a miscommunication. The next dinner will be on Thursday, April 20th at 5:30. The Senior Bingo Party was held last Friday with 46 in attendance. Many commented they were glad to have it back.

YOUTH REPORT

Clerk Matt Gilreath reported he has 6 people to volunteer at the After Prom.

PLANNING REPORT

No report.

AFTER PROM REPORT

Donations to date: Gift donations: \$125.00 Monetary donations: \$4,100.00

Trustee Gary Hursey reported After Prom is 1 month and 1 day away. He said the principal asked if he would consider a theatrical group "Whose Line is it Anyway" at a cost of \$600 for 2-45-minute shows. Hursey spoke with about 20 people, and nobody thought it was a great idea but, Hursey feels it can go either way. A discussion followed. The board agreed not to pursue it. More discussion followed.

FOOD PANTRY REPORT

No report.

RUMMAGE SALE REPORT

Trustee Bob Kueker reported last sale on March 11th – 2,000.10. Next sale date is on Saturday, April 8th. The committee members have come up with guidelines for the volunteers to follow while donating their time setting up Fridays, and tearing down on Saturdays. The board gave their 'ok' with the guidelines.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trustee Gary Hursey said while he is an election judge at Caseyville Township, he was surprised they only supplied a pot of coffee for the judges. He hopes O'Fallon does more than just a pot of coffee. Supervisor Ahle said he, Debbie and Sheri go to Wood Bakery at 5:30 A.M. for doughnuts to deliver to each precinct in O'Fallon. A discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of a hall rental request submitted by Monyca Moore (Team member for Keller Williams Realty) for the purpose of a listing seminar for sellers on Saturday, April 15th, 2023 from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and a home buying seminar on Saturday, May 20th, 2023 from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Trustee Doug Scott made a motion to approve both hall rental dates as presented and seconded by Trustee Frank Morski. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Hursey – aye; Ahle – 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 7:33 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Matthew Gilreath, Town Clerk