



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 7, 2023
O'Fallon Township
801 E. State St.
O'Fallon, IL 62269

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 P.M.

DISPENSED WITH PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - (previously recited)

ROLL CALL

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

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

Others Present: Susan Parkinson, Jeff Bevirt, Thomas (T.J.) Moreland, Jr., and Andrea Fohne

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE May 3RD BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Trustee Bob Kueker made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 3rd, 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting as presented and seconded by Trustee Doug Scott. Motion Carried.

FIRST ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE DECENNIAL COMMITTEE

Committee members: Susan Parkinson, T.J. Moreland and Andrea Fohne.

The goal is for the committee to study and report on local government efficiencies. They are required to meet at least three times within an 18-month period. Afterwards, the committee is to prepare a written report with recommendations (if any) on; efficiencies and increased accountability. This report is to be filed with the county board. A sample report was provided for the committee members to follow. A discussion followed.

Susan Parkinson and T.J. Moreland exited the meeting at 7:13 P.M.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Transit Committee Report – Rider Report provided. Supervisor Gary Ahle reported work on the new van is complete. A wider running board and grab-bar were installed to aid the passengers on and off the van. Deputy Clerk Debbie Allsup reported an email was received from the State regarding the 2011 Ford van. When transferring the title from the Rotary Club to the Township, the State did not list themselves as the lien holder which makes the Township owner of the van, free and clear. The email stated they can take the van from us and give it to another governmental office in need of a vehicle. The agreement with the State is;

when the van reaches 150,000 miles, it becomes the sole property of the Township. The van only has approximately 7,000-8,000 miles to reach 150,000 miles. Presently, no more communications have been received. A discussion followed.

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS BILLS

Town Fund	\$	21,971.07
General Assistance Fund	\$	5,351.90

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

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

RaDAR report provided.
(See attachment A)

Highway Commissioner Mark Downs reported; on May 23rd, while doing maintenance work on Quarry Rd., Bobby Gunter found a bag from Bank of O'Fallon with almost \$4,000.00 cash in it. Fortunately, there was a deposit slip in it from a local business and it was turned over to them. Downs wanted to recognize Gunter for his honesty and doing the right thing.

APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S BILLS

Permanent Road Fund	\$	31,191.48
Road & Bridge Fund	\$	20,666.48
Bridge Fund	\$	9,000.00

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

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Clerk Matt Gilreath reported County Clerk Tom Holbrook is looking for election judges and officials for the next election. If anyone is interested, please contact Gilreath.

TRUSTEES REPORT

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SENIOR COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Doug Scott reported the last dinner on May 18th, 67 tickets were sold. The entertainment was very good. The next dinner will be on Thursday, June 15th, at 5:30.

YOUTH REPORT

Jeff Bevirt reported the Fishing Derby was last Saturday; 30 kids signed up even with all notices in the local paper and on the Marquee at the Bank. A total of 114 fish were caught, the largest one was a 16 ½ inch channel catfish. With the light turnout, Bevirt had purchased enough prizes for all the kids. He also announced he will no longer oversee the Derby since he would like participate in the event with his grandchildren. Supervisor Ahle thanked Bevirt for handling the event all these years. Clerk Gilreath mentioned he will be meeting with some people regarding the Youth Committee and will see if one of them is interested in the Fishing Derby. Attendee Andrea Fohne said she will oversee it along with Gary Fohne. A brief discussion followed.

PLANNING REPORT

Trustee Frank Morski reported an upcoming Planning Committee on Tuesday, June 27th at 7:00 P.M. at the Township for a variance to allow the division of 1 acre instead of the 40-acres required in an "A" Agricultural Industry Zone District on Witte Rd.

AFTER PROM REPORT

Supervisor Ahle reported, besides himself, all the Township officials and employees who volunteered their time: Matt Gilreath, Doug Scott, Frank Morski, Bob Kueker, Gary Hursey, Debbie Allsup and Susan Parkinson, along with many others, said it was very successful with a great turnout. Trustee Scott said this was the first time he volunteered for this and was pleasantly surprised how well behaved all the attendees were. Gilreath said the last head count was 515 in attendance, the most they ever had. A discussion followed.

FOOD PANTRY REPORT

No report.

RUMMAGE SALE REPORT

Trustee Bob Kueker reported last sale on May 13th took in a total of \$1,325.66. Next sale date is on Saturday, June 10th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Supervisor Ahle reported since he met with Doug from Lebanon-Seibert Electric a few weeks ago regarding the generator, he has not heard anything more.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of the purchase/lease of a Kyocera TASKalfa 4054ci Color Multifunctional copier from SummerOne. The current copier, even though it still works, replacement parts and supplies are no longer available. The decision is whether to lease or buy the new one outright. Purchase over leasing is a savings of approximately \$3,321.00. A brief discussion followed.

Trustee Frank Morski made a motion to approve the purchase of the Kyocera copier as presented and seconded by Doug Scott. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Ahle – aye. Motion Carried.

Approval of a hall rental request submitted by Jill Pietrusinski (District Trainer for Rotary District 6510) for the purpose of a meeting with light meal being provided on Friday, June 16th, 2023 from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Trustee Doug Scott made a motion to approve the hall rental request by Jill Pietrusinski as presented and seconded by Frank Morski. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Ahle – aye. Motion Carried.

Approval of a hall rental request submitted by Wanda Leflore (President of the Metro East Literacy Project) for the purpose of a rehearsal family game board event on Saturday, June 24th, 2023 from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Trustee Bob Kueker made a motion to approve the hall rental request by Wanda Leflore as presented and seconded by Doug Scott. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Ahle – aye. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Matthew Gilreath, Town Clerk