



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 3, 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

Others Present: Andrea Fohne, Daniel Stellyes and John Stellyes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE APRIL 5TH BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Trustee Frank Morski made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 5th, 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting as presented and seconded by Trustee Bob Kueker. Motion Carried.

Supervisor Gary Ahle introduced Eagle Scout member, Daniel Stellys who wants to volunteer his time making directional signs for the Rummage Sale. The signs will direct the patrons for specific items and easily stored when not in use. A brief discussion followed.

Supervisor Ahle informed the Board since it was not on the agenda, they cannot vote on this topic until the next meeting. The board gave Mr. Stellys the "ok" to get started on his project and they will formally vote on it next month.

Daniel and John Stellyes exited the meeting at 7:05 P.M.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Transit Committee Report – Rider Report provided. Supervisor Gary Ahle reported they received notice from Secretary of State needing the plates on the 2011 Ford van renewed at a cost of \$342 annually. Called the DMV about getting 'municipal' plates for it and was told to go to Mascoutah DMV to do the paperwork necessary. Supervisor Ahle and Deputy Clerk Debbie Allsup went to Mascoutah and was told they could not process the paperwork there and to go to Granite City DMV because they are a "tier 3" facility which does 'municipal' plates. Ahle and Allsup drove to Granite City DMV and they had no idea how to process the request. They did provide a telephone number in Springfield to call and said to take notes during conversation in case Granite City DMV needs to do the processing. Allsup called Springfield where they handled the request over the phone at a cost of \$9. Lastly, Ahle reported insurance on the new van did not increase the premium cost at TOIRMA.

Supervisor's and Trustee's Educational workshop scheduled in Mt. Vernon on June 16, 2023. Inform the office if you plan to attend.

Supervisor Ahle informed the board the new transportation vans will be available at Southern Bus in Breese, IL sometime in September or October. Ahle wants the board to consider getting a new one because the 2011 Ford van has almost 150,000 miles on it and will probably need more repairs down the line. He wants the board to keep this in mind when figuring the new budget.

Approval of the appointment of T.J. Moreland (O'Fallon Township resident) to the Decennial Committee.

Supervisor Gary Ahle made a motion to approve T.J. Moreland to the Decennial Committee and seconded by Trustee Frank Morski. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Hursey – aye; Ahle – aye.
Motion Carried

Approval of the appointment of Andrea Fohne (O'Fallon Township resident) to the Decennial Committee.

Supervisor Gary Ahle made a motion to approve Andrea Fohne to the Decennial Committee and seconded by Trustee Frank Morski. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Hursey – aye; Ahle – aye.
Motion Carried

Approval of the appointment of Susan Parkinson (O'Fallon Township resident) to the Decennial Committee.

Trustee Doug Scott made a motion to approve Susan Parkinson to the Decennial Committee and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Hursey – aye; Ahle – aye.
Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS BILLS

Town Fund	\$ 33,821.10
General Assistance Fund	\$ 5,720.98

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

Trustee Gary Hursey inquired about \$2,000 donation to Lebanon Food Pantry from the Rummage Sale. It was explained the Rummage Sale Committee is looking for some other local charities in need of some monetary help. A brief discussion followed.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

RaDAR report provided.
(See attachment A)

Highway Commissioner Mark Downs reported the road district had an inspection by the IEPA regarding the Stormwater (MS4) program. He hasn't received the written report yet, but Downs said the inspector found no violations or errors.

Last month it was mentioned to Downs about looking into bridge insurance through TOIRMA. There is bridge and guardrail insurance available, but TOIRMA has no records of O'Fallon Township ever having bridge coverage in the past. Downs will be checking with TOIRMA on costs for this. A discussion followed.

Downs reported the road crew has begun mowing.

Trustee Frank Morski asked about a payment to Gonzalez Companies out of Bridge Fund. Downs reminded him he is running that fund out because there is a line item in the budget for bridges

APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S BILLS

Permanent Road Fund	\$	1,026.74
Road & Bridge Fund	\$	41,716.17
Bridge Fund	\$	38,700.00

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; Hursey – aye; Ahle – aye. Motion Carried.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

No report.

TRUSTEES REPORT

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SENIOR COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Doug Scott reported the dinner on April 20th, 62 tickets were sold. The next dinner will be on Thursday, May 18th, at 5:30.

YOUTH REPORT

Clerk Matt Gilreath reported he will be meeting with the leader of Boys State this month. He wants to see how this group generates interest in government and apply their ideas for the Township Youth Committee.

PLANNING REPORT

Trustee Frank Morski reported the Planning Committee met on Tuesday, March 25th to consider a request for an Area/Bulk variance to allow a ground mounted Personal Solar energy System in the required front yard instead of the side r rear yard per Section 40-5-30(B) (3) (c) in an "A" Agricultural Industry Zone

District on property known as 9081 Lumbert Ln., Lebanon, IL containing 9.35 acres more or less. The Planning Committee voted in favor of the request. The Board of Trustees voted (via e-mail) in favor the Planning Committee's decision. The County Board meeting held last evening also voted in favor of the request.

AFTER PROM REPORT

Donations to date: Gift donations: \$125.00 Monetary donations: \$14,350.00

Trustee Gary Hursey reported After Prom is this weekend. He has the entertainment taken care of and all the food has been ordered. Papa John's stepped up for the pizzas this year since FlamentCo's is gone. Hursey sent out requests for volunteers (City of O'Fallon and City of Shiloh) but, he's pretty sure he has enough volunteers. Hursey said they will be handing out gift cards to all attendees like he started during COVID. This way, they only have to draw numbers for the larger prizes. The hours are 11:00 P.M. Saturday to 3:00 A.M. Sunday, usually he gets out around 3:30, after clean-up. A discussion followed.

FOOD PANTRY REPORT

No report.

RUMMAGE SALE REPORT

Trustee Bob Kueker reported last sale on April 8th – 1,750.61. Next sale date is on Saturday, May 13th. The committee members will present a check in the amount of \$2,000 to the Lebanon Food Pantry at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, May 12th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Supervisor Ahle reported he met with Doug from Lebanon-Seibert Electric last week. Doug was checking the electrical boxes one last time with 2 (two) of his associates. Everything is good to go, just waiting on delivery of the generator.

Ahle met with Kevin Gedderman from Sunrise Rotary about his group installing a new television set in the hall. Ahle said he wants to keep the existing overhead equipment in case somebody needs it. He thinks the television will be 80" - 85" and available to anybody using the hall. Ahle told Gedderman to wait until he presents this to the board to vote on. A brief discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of health insurance for all full-time employees. Supervisor Ahle stated it only went up 4%, and that's with an added employee.

Trustee Gary Hursey made a motion to approve the health insurance premium as presented and seconded by Trustee Doug Scott. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Hursey – aye; Ahle – aye. Motion Carried.

Approval of quote from Southern Bus & Mobility to install a 10” passenger side running board and grab handle on the 2022 Ford van. The cost is \$2,980.50 which is the same cost if these items were already on the van when purchased.

Trustee Frank Morski made a motion to approve the cost and improvements on the 2022 Ford van as presented and seconded by Gary Hursey. Roll Call: Scott – aye; Morski – aye; Kueker – aye; Hursey – aye; Ahle – aye. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Supervisor Ahle thanked Andrea Fohne for attending the meeting and agreeing to be a part of the Decennial Committee.

Trustee Frank Morski informed the board Robert Wilhelm, County Board District 26 attended the Planning meeting held last month. Morski invited him to attend any of our monthly board meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Matthew Gilreath, Town Clerk