



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 7, 2024  
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, Trustees: Gary Hursey, Doug Scott, Frank Morski and Bob Kueker, Township Attorney Cory Easton, Deputy Town Clerk/Office Manager Debbie Allsup and Recorder Sheri Heil

Others Present: Andrea Fohne, Gerard Helldoerfer, Valerie Hancock, Susan Parkinson, and Mary Jeanne Hutchison

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Trustee Doug Scott made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting as presented and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Motion Carried.

THIRD AND FINAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE DECENNIAL COMMITTEE

Committee members: Andrea Fohne and Susan Parkinson. Tom (T.J.) Moreland – absent

REVIEW DRAFT REPORT

Trustee Doug Scott thought it was very well done and thorough. Other trustees agreed. Trustee Hursey had only one suggestion; regarding the After Prom, please refer to attendees as students and not children.

PUBLIC INPUT

Supervisor Gary Ahle thanked the Committee members for taking the time out of their busy schedules to help with this. Andrea Fohne said it's great that the Township does such an exceptional job with very little means in ways of helping people.

APPROVAL OF FINAL REPORT FOR COMPLIANCE WITH DECENNIAL COMMITTEES ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY ACT

Trustee Frank Morski made a motion to approve the Compliance Report as presented and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Motion Carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Transit Committee Report – Rider Report provided. Supervisor Gary Ahle reported another local business is interested in advertising on the van(s). The cost for this is the advertiser's responsibility and not the Township.

Topics Day in Springfield on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 – inform office if planning to attend event

Early voting begins at our facility on Monday, March 4, 2024 thru Monday, March 18, 2024 (hours are posted on our web site). Ahle asked Highway Commissioner Mark Downs if the Road District will assist in transporting the election supplies, as they have done in the past.

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS BILLS

Town Fund	\$ 29,512.71
General Assistance Fund	\$ 6,519.23

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

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

RaDAR report provided.  
(See attachment A)

Highway Commissioner Mark Downs reported a lot of preventative maintenance has been done on all the equipment. This past month they have been working on crack-sealing project.

Weather wise; they have done some salt spreading and pre-treating. Except for the ice storm on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, things are going well.

Trustee Bob Kueker inquired about an equipment purchase. Downs explained they traded in one of two back hoes they had and purchased a front loader which has different attachments for different operations. They sought out bids, in addition to their Source-Well membership that gives them an \$86,000 discount. A brief discussion followed.

## APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S BILLS

Permanent Road Fund	\$	90,054.01
Road & Bridge Fund	\$	68,297.46

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

## TOWN CLERK REPORT

No report.

## TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Gary Hursey resigned his 20 + years position as Trustee.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### SENIOR COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Doug Scott reported the last dinner was on January 18<sup>th</sup> - 64 tickets were sold. The next dinner will be on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 P.M.

The Senior Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 P.M. The Committee may look into having their meetings in the afternoons.

The next Bingo party will be on Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Scott encouraged the board members to attend some of these events and meet with some of the residents.

### YOUTH REPORT

None.

### PLANNING REPORT

No report.

### AFTER PROM REPORT

The venue, D.J. is all reserved. Always looking for volunteers to help. There was discussion about ordering more food since there will not be a meal served at the Prom.

### FOOD PANTRY REPORT

Trustee Bob Kueker reported the Food Pantry had a meeting and provided him with some numbers to present; 2023 – 8,474 people were served (5,731 adults and 2,743 children). Purchases are averaging \$14,000 p/month.

### RUMMAGE SALE REPORT

The last sale on January 13<sup>th</sup> made \$2,034.16 in sales. The next sale will be this Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>.  
Reminder: No Sale in March because of Early Voting at the Township.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Deputy Clerk Allsup reported Denise, from Lebanon Seibert Electric said they are now just waiting on the weather to warm up for installation to begin.

### NEW BUSINESS

Approval of the appointment to fill the remaining term for the Town Clerk position vacated by Matthew Gilreath. A discussion followed.

Trustee Doug Scott made a motion to approve Gary Hursey to fill the remaining term of Town Clerk as presented and seconded by Trustee Bob Kueker. Roll Call: Scott – aye, Ahle – aye; Kueker – aye; Morski – aye. Motion Carried.

Approval of a new phone system. Most companies are out of state and rely on third-party for assistance. Some discussion followed.

Supervisor Gary Ahle approved the bid submitted by TelPower as presented and seconded by Trustee Bob Kueker. Roll Call: Ahle – aye; Kueker – aye; Scott – aye; Morski – aye. Motion Carried.

### PUBLIC INPUT

Supervisor Ahle thanked everybody in attendance.

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 7:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Debbie Allsup, Deputy Town Clerk