

LITTLE ROCK TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 19, 2023

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m on Wednesday, July 19, 2023,. at the Little Rock Township Cemetery Building by Supervisor Marcia Newkirk.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present at the meeting.

III. Roll Call

Roll Call was taken. Present were Supervisor Newkirk, Trustees Goehst, Dunsmoor and Miller. Trustee Mickelson was absent. Also present were Assessor Monica Kleinmaier, Road Commissioner, Dick Wade and Clerk Jo Ann Gryder. A quorum was noted to exist among the trustees.

IV. Welcome Guests and Public Comments

Guests present were Tammy Gould, Mike Gould, Joe Wisniewski, Barb Nadeau, Plano City Council Member, and Kathy Wickens, Plano City Council Member,

- A. Tammy Gould request for gravestone variance. Ms. Gould requested her gravestone be a match to the upright gravestone of her parents, Norris and Arlene Gould. Drawings shall be submitted to the township for review prior to vote at the August 16, 2023 meeting.
- B. Coordination with City of Plano for a Holiday Luncheon or Gathering. Plano City Council members, Barb Nadeau and Kathy Wickens presented a request for Little Rock Township to participate in an Annual Holiday Dinner for Seniors which had been suspended for several years. The date is November 20, 2023, at the Plano Middle School at noon. They outlined the expenses of venue rental, food costs and possible cost to the individuals attending the event. The request shall be put on the August 16th Agenda for action.
- C. Public comment: Mr. Wisniewski noted that the Salt Shed his company installed had been damaged and he donated the damaged piece replacement which Road Commissioner Wade shall have installed. This was a donation valued at over \$800.

V. Approval of Agenda

Prior to Agenda item IV. B. and C, Supervisor Newkirk made a motion to approve the Agenda as revised moving XVIII. A. to IV. B under Welcome Guests and Public Comments. Motion was seconded by Trustee Goehst. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

VI. Approval of Minutes from Budget Hearing and Regular Meeting, June 21, 2023

Trustee Goehst made a motion to approve the Budget Hearing Minutes of June 21, 2023 minutes as written; seconded by Supervisor Newkirk. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Goehst made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2023 minutes as written; seconded by Trustee Miller. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

VII. Kendall County Sheriff's Report-none

VIII. Correspondence-none.

IX. Clerk's Report-None

X. Trustee Comments-None

XI. Road Commissioner's Report

Mowing and trimming continues. A fallen tree was removed from Sears Road. There was clean up of storm damaged trees and limbs after recent rain storms. Several roads have been patched. Report attached.

XII. Cemetery Report

Mowing and trimming of the cemetery continues. There is ongoing repair of old headstones. Maintaining the mowing equipment continues. Billing for Darnell Cemetery mowing/trimming shall be sent to Fox Township. Report attached.

XIII. Assessor's Report

There has been \$7,000,000 in new construction added to the records. Aerial scans of the township from Kendall County have been helpful in highlighting upgrades and improvements to properties. There have been no assessment appeals as yet.

XIV. Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Newkirk reported that Little Rock Township still has one General Assistance (GA) continuing case as of this date, and two candidates had applied but did not qualify. There were 5 inquiries from the website which the Supervisor addressed. It was noted that the Assessor's raise was due January 1, 2023, but had not been paid. The Supervisor will pay the arrears and apply the raise going forward.

XV. Financial Reports

- A. Unpaid Bills. Supervisor Newkirk made a motion to make payment of unpaid bills totaling \$118,789.13; Seconded by Trustee Miller. A roll call vote was taken with 4 Aye; 0 No, 1 Absent. Motion Carried. Supervisor Newkirk made a motion to make payment to James Novak Paving in the amount of \$19,325 for grinding and patching Sears Road; Seconded by Trustee Goehst. A roll call vote was taken with 4 Aye; 0 No, 1 Absent. Motion Carried.

- B. Check Registers. Supervisor Newkirk prepared financial documents including a Monthly Ending Balances Sheet, Town and Road Profit & Loss vs Actual Reports, and a Transactions by Account Report. A copy of these reports was distributed and is attached.

XVI. Attorney's Report

None.

XVII. Unfinished Business

- A. **Decennial Committee**-The Committee is waiting guidance from the State of Illinois before meeting.
- B. **Status of Sandy Bluff Cemetery** Ownership of the cemetery is being researched by Road Commissioner Wade and his staff.

XVIII. New Business

- A. Coordination with City of Plano for a Holiday Luncheon or Gathering (see IVB above)

XIX. Adjournment

Trustee Miller made the motion to adjourn; Trustee Dunsmoor seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.