

LITTLE ROCK TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m on Wednesday, October 18, 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 Dunsmoor, Goehst, Miller and Mickelson. Also present were Road Commissioner Dick Wade and Clerk Jo Ann Gryder. A quorum was noted to exist among the trustees.

IV. Welcome Guests and Public Comments

Guest present was Joe Wisniewski. There was no public comment.

V. Approval of Agenda

Supervisor Newkirk made a motion to approve the Agenda as written. Motion was seconded by Trustee Mickelson. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

VI. Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting, September 20, 2023

Supervisor Newkirk made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of the September 20, 2023 minutes as written; seconded by Trustee Goehst. 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. The Road Crew removed dead trees on River, Hale and Burr Oak Roads. Miscellaneous maintenance was done. Commissioner Wade worked on a list of items to be sold at auction. Little Rock Township was named in a lawsuit regarding an accident on Little Rock Road and Creek Road; an attorney has been consulted. He also advised the board that due to the Eldamain Bridge there has been more traffic on our roads. Semis are especially rough on roads and one stretch of River Road has only a 3" base. He anticipates resurfacing roads soon due to the wear caused by increased usage. Commissioner's Report attached.

XII. Cemetery Report

Mowing and trimming of the cemetery continues. A few burials were conducted this month.

XIII. Assessor's Report -The assessor is working on assessments and anticipates protests from recent publication of updated assessments.

XIV. Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Newkirk reported that Little Rock Township still has one General Assistance (GA) continuing case as of this date but the client will have her last payment in November as she has qualified for Federal Disability and will no longer be eligible for GA. Three new inquiries have come onto the website which have been addressed. The Supervisor encouraged Little Rock Township elected officials to attend the TOI Annual Educational Conference to be held in Springfield on November 12-14, 2023. She will have the attorney prepare the Public Notice and documents needed for the LRT Tax Levy and Truth in Taxation Hearing.

XV. Financial Reports

- A. Unpaid Bills. Supervisor Newkirk made a motion to make payment of unpaid bills totaling \$49,211.21; Seconded by Trustee Mickelson. A roll call vote was taken with 5 Aye; 0 No. 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 shall have its second meeting on November 15, 2023, prior to the regular meeting. Supervisor Newkirk appointed Nancy Griffing and Nicki Diaz as members of the committee; Commissioner Wade appointed Joe Wisniewski as a member of the committee. The Board attorney has created an Ordinance necessary to move forward with the work of the decennial committee.
- B. **Status of Sandy Bluff Cemetery** Ownership of the cemetery needs to be established before the attorney can proceed with the paperwork for converting it to Little Rock Township ownership.

XVIII. New Business-

Vote on TMF Plastics Abatement Change-Kendall County made changes to the abatement request from TMF Plastics; the number of new employees was changed from 114 to 104 with 30 new employees projected for the 2nd year. Supervisor Newkirk moved to accept the

revised abatement for TMF Plastics as presented; Seconded by Trustee Miller. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes; 0 nays. Motion Carried.

XIX. Adjournment

Supervisor Newkirk made the motion to adjourn; Trustee Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.