

Minutes - Board of Town Trustees

STATE OF ILLINOIS

PIATT COUNTY

TOWN OF MONTICELLO

DATE:

August 13, 2020

The Board of the Town Trustees met at the office of the Town Clerk at 205 North State Street at Monticello Illinois. Officers are:

Supervisor	Tamara Wilson	
Town Clerk	Kathleen Brown	
Township Trustee	Delbert Lubbers	
Township Trustee	Richard Howland	
Township Trustee	Mike Wileaver	
Township Trustee	Ronald Meece	

Ms. Wilson opened the August 13, 2020 meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 PM. Present along with the Supervisor were Clerk Kathy Brown, Highway Commissioner Charlie Montgomery, Trustees Richard Howland, Ron Meece, and Mike Wileaver. Guests: Alan Sprinkle and Neal Kuester.

Richard Howland made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 23, 2020 meeting as mailed. Ron Meece seconded the motion. Upon motion duly made the motion carried.

The bills were presented to the Township Trustees as follows:

General Fund			
Check No	Payee	Budget Item	Amount
eft	United States Treasury	Fed Taxes	\$ 2,458.34
eft	Illinois Department of Revenue	Payroll Liabilities	\$ 509.74
eft	Illinois Department of Revenue	Office Exp	\$ 19.48
eft	IMRF - VAC	Payroll Liabilities	\$ 41.48
eft	IMRF	Payroll Liabilities	\$ 843.03
eft	IMRF	Payroll Liabilities	\$ 3,525.74
eft	United States Treasury	Fed Taxes	\$ 1,326.86
eft	Illinois Department of Revenue	Payroll Liabilities	\$ 280.12
15389	General Assistance	Property Tax	\$ 2,951.95
15390	Cemetery	Property Tax	\$ 54,856.36
15391	Community Building	Property Tax	\$ 42,412.55
15392	Viscon	Assessor: Equip Purchase	\$ 60.50
15393	Charles Montgomery	Wages	\$ 4,197.94
15394	Delbert Lubbers	Wages	\$ 96.14
15395	Kathleen Brown	Wages	\$ 1,051.36
15396	LaDonna Kaiser	Wages	\$ 1,312.20
15397	Mike Wileaver	Wages	\$ 96.14
15398	Richard L Howland	Wages	\$ 101.59
15399	Ronald Meece	Wages	\$ 96.14
15400	Tamara K Wilson	Wages	\$ 1,523.21
15401	CMS - LGHP	Health Ins	\$ 2,337.00
15402	CMS - LGHP	Health Ins	\$ 2,337.00
15403	Piatt Co Service	Rental	\$ 185.00
15404	Alan Sprinkle	Wages	\$ 1,528.00
15406	Michael Hammerschmidt	Wages	\$ 1,254.77
15405	Corbin Sebens	Wages	\$ 964.12
15407	Feller & Kuester CPAs LLP	Acct Service	\$ 2,000.00
15408	CDS Office Technologies	Maint - Equip	\$ 40.00
15409	Foltz & Rupiper	Legal Service	\$ 334.18
154710	Township Officials of Illinois	Dues	\$ 523.51
Totals			\$ 129,264.45

General Assistance Fund

		Totals	\$	-
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Road & Bridge Fund

Check No	Payee	Budget Item	Amount
15707	General Fund	July Wages and Payroll Expenses	\$ 11,807.94
15708	Karin Stewart	Maintenance-Prop	\$ 45.00
15709	Aramark	Maintenance-Prop	\$ 213.85
15710	AHW	Equip Parts & Repair	\$ 88.37
15711	Ameren IP	Gas & Electric	\$ 462.88
15712	CCG	Internet Service	\$ 69.00
15713	County Materials Corporation	Imp-Roads	\$ 250.00
15714	ED Etnyre & Co	Equip Parts & Repair	\$ 205.54
15715	Feller & Kuester CPAs LLC	Office Supplies	\$ 2,000.00
15716	Grainger	Maint Supplies	\$ 132.96
15717	Monticello City Utility Services	Water	\$ 10.53
15718	Progressive Chemical	Maint Supplies	\$ 209.70
15719	Interstate Billing Service Inc	Equip Parts & Repair	\$ 5,005.47
15720	Foltz & Rupiper	Legal Service	\$ 53.32
15721	Sebens Backhoe Service, Inc	Imp-Roads	\$ 340.00
15722	Staples	Office Supplies	\$ 57.95
15723	Township Officials of Illinois	Printing - Pub	\$ 75.00
15724	True Value	Maint Supplies	\$ 37.98
15725	Verizon	Telephone	\$ 157.23
15726	PDC/AREA Compaies	Maintenance-Prop	\$ 53.64
5727	The News Gazette	Printing - Pub	\$ 19.84
15728	Piatt Co Service Company	Gas & Oil	\$ 4,256.59
15729	General Fund	Office Supplies/Equip Purchase	\$ 956.57
			Totals \$ 26,509.36

Per Road Fund

Check No	Payee	Budget Item	Amount
4865	Lehigh Hanson	Materials	\$ 7,520.80
			Totals \$ 7,520.80

Mike Wileaver made a motion to approve the bills. Ron Meece seconded the motion. Upon motion duly made the motion carried.

New Business: Salaries for Elected Officials - 2021 - 2025. Ms. Wilson shared with the Trustees that the Assessors salary increase from 2000 was due to the Assessor at that time feeling strongly that the work they did was more involved and required more more work than the salary offered at that time. A motion was brought forth by a Board member in office at that time, seconded, and passed. The Supervisor expressed concerns regarding the salary and benefits for the Highway Commissioner in the next term. Ms. Wilson also corresponded with Ms. Rupiper regarding the possibility of appointing Alan Sprinkle as a Deputy Highway Commissioner but she had not replied as of the meeting. Discussion ensued. Mr. Wileaver suggested the following: the Highway Commissioner salary be frozen for two (2) years and then adjusted in line with cost of living adjustment percentages in 2023 and 2024. Life insurance would continue to be paid and Health Insurance for the position would be paid at 100% plus 50% of dependents. The Supervisor and Clerk salaries would also be frozen for two (2) years and then reflect cost of living percentages in 20203 and 2024. Discussion regarding Assessor salary was tabled until more information is available. Trustees fees would be frozen for the next term.

Old Business: None

Supervisor's Report: Ms. Wilson invited Neal Kuester to report the findings of the audit to the Trustees. Following his explanation of the report Mr. Kuester answered questions from the Board. Discussion followed. Ms. Wilson clarified that although Replacement Tax has always been given to the Community Building , it is not required. Mr. Kuester supported this by sharing that he finds no statute that requires that any amount of Replacement Tax be shared with the Community Building and that the Trustees could decide to make a

change or eliminate altogether the funds directed to the Community Building. Supervisor Wilson indicated she has reached out to the Township's attorney, Amy Rupiper, but has not heard back from her as of this meeting. Discussion continued. No action taken.

Ms. Wilson indicated that the annual TOI Conference would be held virtually November 17 - 20, 2020. She also shared that she received a nice correspondence from Cara Marcum at Small Hand Diaper Pantry expressing her gratitude for the Board's support and updating the Board on recent activity at Small Hands Diaper Pantry.

Highway Commissioner Report: Charlie Montgomery presented his report to the Trustees.

Monthly tasks have included hauling rock, running roads, blowing loose clippings, and pulling up shoulders on many Township roads. Future projects include: shop maintenance, running roads, and reseeding ditches.

Reports from Board Members: None

Comments from visitors: None

With no other business to come before the board, Mike Wileaver motioned to adjourn the meeting. Richard Howland seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen O. Brown
Clerk