

Minutes of the Oswego Township

REGULAR MEETING

June 12, 2018

The meeting of the Oswego Township was called to order at 6:30 P.M by Supervisor Brian LeClercq. The pledge of allegiance to the U.S flag was given by all in attendance.

Township Officials in attendance were: Supervisor: Brian LeClercq, Trustees: Diane Selmer, Allyson Jacobsen. Clerk: Ken Holmstrom was present as well as Highway Commissioner: Robert Rogerson. The Assessor's office did not have a representative at this meeting. Mike Novak from the Kendall County Sherriff's Department was also present. There were 6 Oswego Township residents in attendance. The attendance sheet is attached to these minutes. Trustees Small and Stanley were absent from this meeting.

Supervisor LeClercq opened the meeting with public comments.

Dave Lacy brought up a question on an article dated June 7th in the Oswego Ledger. The topic of the article was in regards to Mr. Ethridge's comments with the County Chairman of the Board Scott Gryder questioning Bill Catchings. The question being if anyone was informed about the article and if the board will respond.

Jan Alexander expressed concerns regarding the meeting's agenda in lieu of the township spending money for build outs (under "New Business") at 84 Templeton. She also chose to discuss a comment made by Jim Ramey at the April Cemetery Meeting. It was stated that a body count wasn't on record and she supported the use of sonars to get an inventory of where the graves are / are not.

Jim Williams asked what the current procedure is now that the Weed Commissioner is no longer a position at the township.

Supervisor LeClercq closed the public comment section of the meeting.

Supervisor LeClercq present the following bills for approval:

General Road Fund	\$ 27,832.18
Permanent Road Fund	\$126,156.53
Building & Equip Fund	\$ 18.66
General Fund	\$ 87,918.52
Total	<u>\$241,925.89</u>

Motion to approve the bills made by Trustee Jacobsen, second by Trustee Selmer. A roll call vote was held by Clerk Holmstrom and all trustees present voted to approve the payment of the bills.

Prior to approving the minutes for the May meeting. Trustee Selmer made the motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Second by Trustee Jacobsen. A roll call was taken and all trustees present voted to approve the minutes as amended.

Trustee Initiatives:

Trustee Jacobsen asked Dave Lacy for a copy of the ledger article from June 7th.

Trustee Selmer discussed the migration of our website from AT&T hosting to Go Daddy hosting. She has had 3-4 emails exchanged with WebLinx. AT&T billing will be passed on to Bob as it pertains to the Road District, for cancelling AT&T charge for website.

Supervisor LeClercq discussed the Board's reaction to the comments made by a Board member.

Senior Report:

Next month Trustee Jacobsen will be making recommendations for annual contributions for senior services throughout the township. There are concerns with the senior center in regards to their lease ending in August.

Deputy Sheriff Mike Novak gave the Sheriff's report. A copy of the report is attached and made a part of these minutes.

Highway Commissioner Bob Rogerson gave the Highway Commissioner's report. A copy of the report is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Assessors are preparing for the assessment's deadline in August. Also stated that new construction is picking up.

The Supervisor's Report was given by Supervisor LeClercq. Supervisor LeClercq asked the Board if they had a preference as to how they receive their meeting packets (Paper or electronic or both). Trustee Selmer asked to receive paper. He then discussed the cemetery transition, however Supervisor LeClercq explained that he is responsible for the entire township but does not hold authority over the individual offices with the township. He made a recommendation to the Cemetery Board to hold more than one meeting a year and perhaps some open-houses. He spoke of a special meeting that would be held in October for them to reconvene. Supervisor LeClercq said that the Pearce Cemetery will be turned over to the Cemetery Board once the area is cleaned up and tree work completed and lawn mowed down.

Supervisor LeClercq discussed a Township property that the Township has been trying to sell since before he came into office. This sale will allow for the transfer of funds to accommodate the completion of many of the Township projects.

The day-to-day operations at the cemetery are run by Superintendent James Ramey. If you need to contact Mr. Ramey, call the Township office and give them your message and from there we will pass along your message and info to Mr. Ramey. If he doesn't contact you with a reasonable amount of time, call the Township again and they'll follow up with you. The rationale behind this is because a dedicated phone is not established for Mr. Ramey. The process has been working effectively thus far.

Old Business:

Supervisor LeClercq asked the Board to consider rewording the 2018-6-A Weed Ordinance to include verbiage about repeat offenders. The additional language was presented. Highway commissioner Rogerson reminded the board that he is only to take photos of the property and send to the Township office for the staff to follow up.

Trustee Jacobsen made the motion to approve Ordinance 2018-6-A. Second by Trustee Selmer. A roll call was taken and all trustees present voted to approve Ordinance 2018-6-A.

New Business:

Prevailing Wage Ordinance 2018-7. No motion made. Will be brought up at the next meeting.

Supervisor LeClercq opened discussion about the build outs for units 102 and 103 at the 84 Templeton building. He discussed that the Township in the past had paid for the build out of the tenant in the Apple A Day business to attract them to the office. He discussed the appraisal on the property at 84 Templeton. The property has an appraised value of \$1,300,000. Upon lease and build out of the balance of the building to 87.5% could have a market value of \$1,900,000. He discussed that there are tenants interested in locating to 84 Templeton.

Supervisor LeClercq has been working on the viability of adding on to the Route 25 property to move all Township activities to that location.

Nick Weis from Suburban Real Estate discussed the lease of the space at 84 Templeton. He discussed the possible challenges that we are up against. Legal, medical and corporate are the key tenants of open space. He reviewed local history of commercial property and rental units. Property values increase dramatically when the property is leased. Tenants are not typically doing build outs. Property owners are doing the build out to attract tenants. He has two prospects to lease the balance of the

property at 84 Templeton. Upon the sale of the property; Township will need to agree to a lease back for some period of time.

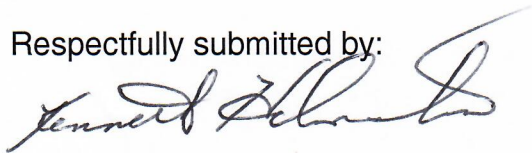
Trustee Selmer and Jacobsen asked several questions on the buildout including liability, a time line for the finished project and a cost projection of the income and expenses of the finished project.

Supervisor LeClercq asked the board for their approval to move forward with proposed site plan and engineering of the Route 25 property.

Trustee Selmer said she did not feel comfortable moving forward without the full board present.

With no further business to discuss; Trustee Jacobsen motion to adjourn, second by Trustee Selmer. Meeting adjourned at 8:10PM.

Respectfully submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kenneth Holmstrom".

Kenneth Holmstrom, Township Clerk