

Minutes of the Oswego Township

REGULAR MEETING

January 14, 2020

Approved 2-4-2020

The meeting of the Oswego Township was called to order at 6:30 P.M by Supervisor Brian LeClercq. The meeting was held at 99 Boulder Hill Pass, Montgomery, Illinois. The pledge of allegiance to the U.S flag was given by all in attendance.

Township officials in attendance were: Supervisor Brian LeClercq, Trustees: Michael Bidegain, Allyson Jacobsen and Bill Small. Clerk Ken Holmstrom and Highway Commissioner Robert Rogerson were also present. There were 10 Oswego Township residents in attendance including staff member Donna Stanley, Enforcement officer Rob Delong. Deputy Sheriff Briars was present to present the sheriff's report. Trustee Selmer and Assessor Hauser were absent and excused from the meeting.

Supervisor LeClercq opened up public comment session: Brad Smith inquired about the red bands on the trees in Pearce Cemetery. He also asked about a flag pole that is supposed to be installed.

Todd Milliron spoke on the Highway Department. He talked on an article he read on Township governments. He discussed cost conscious salaries. He discussed the article that Highway Commissioner place in the paper. He again discussed his dissatisfaction with Robert Rogerson as the Township Highway Commissioner. No one else wished to speak, so Supervisor LeClercq closed the public comment session of the meeting.

Supervisor LeClercq presented the following bills for approval:

General Road Fund	\$ 10,405.01
Permanent Road Fund	\$ 30,096.42
Building & Equipment	<u>\$ 4,862.82</u>
Total Road Fund	\$ 45,364.25
General Town Fund	\$ 64,918.24

Supervisor LeClercq brought up a question made by Trustee Selmer. He answered that question and asked for a motion to approve. Motion to approve the bills made by Trustee Small, second by Trustee Jacobsen. A roll call vote was held by Clerk Holmstrom. Trustee Bidegain, Jacobsen, Small and Supervisor LeClercq voted yes. Motion passed. Trustee Selmer was absent.

Supervisor LeClercq asked for approval of the December 10, 2019 meeting minutes. Motion by Trustee Bidegain to approve the minutes. Second by Trustee Jacobsen. Trustees Bidegain, Jacobsen, Small and Supervisor LeClercq voted to approve the

minutes of 12-10-2019. Trustee Selmer was absent. Clerk Holmstrom announced that last month Todd Milliron had brought up that the Highway report was not attached to the minutes as has been reported. Clerk Holmstrom reported that he went back and corrected that oversight from January 2019 to present.

Trustee Initiative:

Trustee Bidegain – No Report.

Trustee Jacobsen – Discussed the smart signs at Boulder Hill Pass.

Trustee Small – No

Senior report – Trustee Jacobsen gave a report on upcoming events put on by the Senior Center.

Sheriff Department – This report will be attached to these minutes.

Highway Commissioner Rogerson gave his report. A copy of the report is attached to and becomes part of these minutes.

Township Assessor's report – Supervisor LeClercq presented the report. This report will be attached to and becomes part of these minutes.

Ordinance Officer Report – Copy of the report is attached.

Supervisor Report –

- He reported that the tentative budget will be presented at the February meeting.

Old Business:

Supervisor LeClercq made a final appeal to get names to serve on the Weed advisory committee.

New Business:

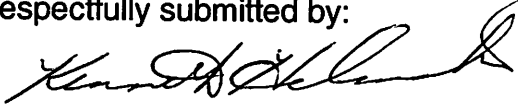
- Review of Petition 19-34 for a special use permit. The Plan commission would look at this, but this is a conforming use and a meeting was not necessary.
- Discussion and possible vote on a key card system for building entry. outdoor camera and a new front door. Trustee Small motioned to approve the new front door not to exceed \$800. Second by Trustee Bidegain. Roll call vote: Trustee Small, Bidegain and Supervisor LeClercq voted yes. Trustee Jacobsen voted no. The camera and the key entry system will be voted on at the next meeting.
- Supervisor LeClercq discussed use of additional space at 99 Boulder Hill Pass. Discussion that the Township is still settling in to their space and the Sheriff department is just moving in. Motion made by Trustee Small to table

for 6 months, second by Trustee Jacobsen. All Trustee's present voted to table this for 6 months.

There was not a reason to go into closed session tonight.

Trustee Bidegain motioned to adjourn the meeting, second by Trustee Jacobsen. Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth Holmstrom". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "K" and "H".

Kenneth Holmstrom, Township Clerk

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Ruse Burglaries and Scams;

Don't be a Victim

The Kendall County Sheriff's Office wants to remind residents to be wary of "ruse burglaries" and scams.

The typical ruse burglary takes place during the day, and often times on weekdays. Offenders may target their victims by driving through neighborhoods looking for seniors doing yard work or by following them from grocery stores or pharmacies.

These offenders use many story lines, including:

- Inquiring about the homeowner's water supply or pressure.
- Informing the homeowner there is an electrical problem.
- Offers to repair gutters/fences or tree trimming and landscaping.
- Blacktop/driveway repair.
- False statements about problems at a neighbor's house.
- Inquiries about homes for sale in the neighborhood.

In a recent case, the offenders claimed to be testing the water in the area. It's a good idea to ask the individual for a business card or company ID, and to check to see if the person's vehicle or uniform has the company's logo on it. Utility workers usually have service vehicles displaying the company logo.

Ruse or distraction burglaries are becoming more prevalent. If ever in doubt, close and lock your door and call 9-1-1 immediately. The Sheriff's Office would rather investigate an innocent misunderstanding than have you become a victim of this type of crime. **(Along with Ruse Burglaries; additional scams are starting again and asking for gift card payments ex. Warrant, IRS, FBI)**

Weather Spotting Class

Interested in learning more about severe weather and how to spot it? Check out this course being offered by the National Weather Service in February.

A poster for a weather spotting class. The background is a dark, stormy sky with a bright light source, possibly a sun or moon, creating a lens flare effect. The text is centered and uses various colors and fonts to highlight key information.

**Basic Severe Storm &
Tornado Spotter Class**

Instructed by: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Oswego Fire Station One
3511 Woolley Road
Oswego, IL

7:00 – 9:00 PM (Doors Open 6:45 PM)

This complimentary class is open to the public with limited seating. Reserve your seat today by registering at <https://2020kendallweatherspotter.eventbrite.com>

(Chance to Win a Free Weather Radio)

THE CLASS IS HOSTED BY:

Kendall County Emergency Management Agency

This basic level course is designed to assist the participant in how to safely observe, recognize, identify and report severe storms capable of producing damaging winds, tornadoes, heavy rain, and hail. Course topics also include procedures for reporting severe weather to appropriate agencies so warnings may be issued to the public.

Who should attend: Interested persons from the Public (including students in 4th grade and up), Emergency Management, Fire, Police, Public Works, School Personnel, Bus Drivers, Amateur Radio Operators, Long Term Care Facilities, Plant Safety Personnel

For more information, visit www.weather.gov/lot/spotter_talk

Questions please contact Tracy Page at tpage@co.kendall.il.us

KCSO Activity from 12/01/2019 to 12/31/2019

280 Calls for Service
302 Traffic Stops
21 Civil Process Attempt

Highway Commissioners Report 1/14/2020.

1. With no snow lately until New Year's Eve the crew has been able to do some clean up in Boulder Hill. They have street swept many areas of the subdivision. Since the snow and ice on Halloween, leaves were stuck in the curb lines throughout the area. With the warmer temps we have been able to clean much of this up and trim many of the tree's low branches throughout the subdivision over the sidewalks. We are also working on culvert repairs on Reservation road. We are adding a storm basin and drain tile possibly at the corner of Marnel and Surrey roads where one should have been installed when the subdivision was built and at the Gardens & Boulder Hill Pass if weather permits. The Crew and I have been on call for the snow events on January 4th and the 8th. January 4th in the morning there were two reports of cars sliding into our guardrail on Harvey and Rance at the curve. I went out to close the road with the Sheriff until the road was clear. We have a temporary barricade set up there until our contractor can get it fixed this week. The Claim has been reported to Toirma.
2. The snow event this last Saturday that was predicted to be severe, luckily missed us. To prep for this storm, again the Village of Oswego, the Road District and Montgomery was in contact with each other thru this event.
3. The study being done at the Boulder Hill elementary and Long Beach schools for the cross walks has been negotiated down with EEI engineering and SD 308 along with the Road District will save some money to get this initiative done. The original estimate was at \$5,915.00 to \$5,069.00. This cost will be spilt the SD 308. We are waiting for the agreements to sign and EEI will then start on the study.
4. OZINGA Concrete Company has raised their prices for 2020 an additional \$7.00 per Cubic Yard. This would have added approx.- \$10,000+ to our last year's bills. So, we are anticipating this increase for this year's bids.
5. Our Oxcart permitting system has been working well for our overweight/ oversize trucks. We have collected over \$225.00 in revenue already with this system in place.
6. The Road District and the Oswego Village of Public works has added to the shared services agreement with our old signage. The Road District instead of taking our old out of date signs that the aluminum is still in good shape to the recycling yard for little to nothing, can now trade the VOPW's, for some future new signs that they can make in house at their facility.
7. Please check our website at oswegotownship.org for any updates.

January Assessor's Report

Board of review hearings have concluded. The hearings seemed to go well, however full results of the board's decisions aren't available yet.

January 6th was the annual assessor's meeting at Kendall County. Oswego Township had the second best coefficient of dispersion (tool used to measure how accurate and consistent our assessments are compared to sale prices). We were also given great news that the amount our assessments need to go up for 2020 are near 3.5%. We've been right around 5% each of the last 3 years.

We will be trying to get new photos of most properties this year which is much needed. 2019 looks to bring some unique assessment opportunities mostly in our commercial and multifamily properties.

ORDINANCE REPORT

We have still been collecting for weed violations. As of today, we have collected \$2434. For the snow ordinance, we have had 2 snow events, one on 12/16/19 where accumulation was only 1 inch, and 1/5/20 where accumulation was an inch and a half. No violations have been issued to date. On 1/11/20, Highway Commissioner Rogerson utilized Blackboard Connect to notify residents of an impending significant snowfall, and a reminder to remove vehicles, however this snowfall did not occur.

Road Commissioner Rogerson and I have had discussions about enforcement of the snow ordinance, and we have decided that vehicles will be towed after one warning, including citations issued last year. I have created a spreadsheet and put it in our database with all violations issued entered. This will give me or anyone else a quick search option for real time information on repeat violations. No cost was involved in creating the database, or setting up a safe mount in the ordinance vehicle for the computer.

OSWEGO TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

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3	Bill Raymond	<i>Bill Raymond</i>
4	Buell Smith	
5	Amy Jellison	
6	Tina Vecchione	<i>Tina Vecchione</i>
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