

Minutes of the Oswego Township

REGULAR MEETING

June 14, 2022

The meeting of the Oswego Township was called to order at 6:30 P.M by Supervisor Joe West. 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 in person were, Supervisor Joe West, Trustees Bush, Sawicki and Selmer. Clerk Holmstrom and Rob Delong were present. Attorney Heinle attended in person. Trustee Jacobsen was absent and excused from this meeting, Highway Commissioner Ainsworth and Assessor Hauser were absent. Six residents / guests attended the meeting.

Supervisor West mentioned that a quorum was present in person. The Township is allowed to hold a legal meeting and Trustees on zoom are allowed to vote because of government order by Governor Pritzker.

Supervisor West opened the public comment session:

Elizabeth Bauman, Outreach Coordinator from Meals on Wheels talked about their services to the Yorkville and Oswego areas.

Nancy Patush of the Oswego Senior Center announced that the Senior Center has occupancy of the new building as of 6-14-2022.

Pat Stiles spoke on the Fire Department Referendum and the Fire Department expenditures.

Todd Milliron spoke on a possible Open Meetings Act violation on 5-12-2022. Review of the closed session minutes in closed session but was listed on the Regular meeting agenda. He also discussed a possible violation of the Open Meetings act training.

There were no further comments. Supervisor West closed the public comment session.

Supervisor West presented the following bills for approval:

General Road Fund	\$	12,809.64
Permanent Road Fund	\$	14,934.91
Building & Equipment	\$	<u>2,400.00</u>
Total Road Fund	\$	30,144.55
General Town Fund	\$	14,392.14
Assessor	\$	(1,587.04)
Cemetery	\$	1,749.64

General Assistance \$ 90.00

Trustee Bush motioned to approve the payment of bills, second by Trustee Sawicki. Roll call: Trustee Bush, Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor West motioned to approve. Jacobsen was absent. Motion carried.

The Minutes of 5-10-2022 and 5-24-2022 were tabled until the July meeting because a question came up that required the Clerk to revisit the recording of the meetings. Supervisor West motioned to table second by Trustee Sawicki. Roll call: Trustee Bush, Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor West motioned to table the minutes.

The Kendall County Sheriff report is attached to these minutes.

Cate Moulton from the Township accounting firm discussed the audit report for 2021/2022. They Issued an unqualified opinion. No recommendations were given. She complimented staff on the procedures. The full report is on file in the Township office.

Trustee's Report:

Trustee Bush completed Bank reconciliation through 5-31-2022, she also worked with a Village of Montgomery Trustee and invited him to a Boulder Hill meeting on 6-13-2022 that addressed the Water Rates. Trustee Bush gave the Senior report; she met with Meal on Wheels and the Senior Center Board on 5-16-2022.

Trustee Jacobsen was absent.

Trustee Sawicki – No report

Trustee Selmer attended the Village Hall meeting on 6-13-2022 and the discussion of the referendum for the Transfer Tax to support the expenses associated with the Lake Michigan water. Oswego is a Home Rule Community. She next asked about the Cemetery and potential lawsuit. Supervisor West told her this is on the agenda for a later discussion.

Township Clerk – No report

Highway Commissioner – No report

Assessor – No report

Ordinance officer reported that he is learning the General Assistance Program from Donna Stanley. His report is attached to these minutes.

Supervisor reported that the Treasurer's report is complete and available for review. It is posted on line and in the Township office. He also met with Trustee Bush and the senior organizations.

Old Business:

Supervisor West opened for discussion and Vote on Ordinance 2022-08 to adopt an attendance Policy for Oswego Township. Trustee Selmer had questions on procedures if you are sick and cannot attend. Attorney Heinle answered questions and explained the policy in further detail. Motion to approve the 2022-08 Attendance Policy for the Oswego Township as amended made by Trustee Sawicki, second by Supervisor West. Roll call by Clerk Holmstrom: Trustee Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor West voted yes. Trustee Bush voted no. Trustee Jacobsen was absent. Motion carried.

New Business: Discussion and vote to appoint two new Board Members on the Cemetery Board to replace Michael LaMonica and Shane Wade. Trustee Bush motioned to approve Joyce Frankino to replace LaMonica on the Cemetery Board. Supervisor West seconded the motion. Roll call: Trustee Bush, Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor West voted yes.

Trustee Sawicki motioned to appoint Bill Helgeson to replace Wade on the Cemetery Board. Supervisor West seconded the motion. Roll call: Trustee Bush, Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor West voted yes.

Trustee Sawicki motioned to go into Closed session for the purpose of discussing Pending and Probable litigation. Trustee Bush seconded the motion. Trustee Bush, Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor West vote yes. The Trustees went into closed session at 7:15.

The meeting returned to open session at 7:57.

Motion to adjourn made by Trustee Sawicki, second by Trustee Bush. Roll call by Clerk Holmstrom; Trustee Bush, Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor Bush voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:58.

Respectfully submitted by:


Kenneth Holmstrom, Township Clerk