

Minutes of the Oswego Township

REGULAR MEETING

February 14, 2023

APPROVED 3-14-23

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, Jacobsen, Sawicki and Selmer, Clerk Ken Holmstrom, Highway Commissioner Ainsworth and Assessor Brian Hauser. Donna Stanley, Rob Delong and Bill Helgeson were present. Attorney Kari-Lyn was present along with Deputy Sheriff Briars. Supervisor West stated that a quorum was present in person. Five other residents were present.

Supervisor West asked if there were any corrections to the Minutes from 1-10-2023. Trustee Selmer motioned to approve the minutes of 1-10-2023, second by Trustee Sawicki. Roll call: Trustee Bush, Jacobsen, Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor West motioned to approve.

Kendall County Sheriff report that the County's new 211 telephone assistance hotline has gone live.

Trustee Report:

Trustee Bush gave her report on Senior services. She brought the funding requests from the senior service agencies. She stated that she has attended several senior lunches. She attended Boulder Hill meetings and completed Deposit account reconcilements through 1-31-2023. She also stated that Montgomery will be receiving \$2,000,000 from the county for the water project. She stated that Montgomery intends to discontinue the \$15 monthly charge to residence for water surcharge.

Trustee Jacobsen – No Report.

Trustee Sawicki – She stated that she has been assigned to be the auditing official for the Road District. She reviewed a letter from the States Attorney on charges brought up against the Highway Department. An attorney was hired to investigate the charges. Trustee Sawicki discussed the results of the investigation. The findings of the investigation did not warrant further investigation and the charges were found to be without merit.

Trustee Selmer – She completed bank reconcilements through 1-31-2023. She also discussed the “211 Center” and asked that the Township put this information on the Township website. She also mentioned the \$2,000,000 grant from Kendall County to the Village of Montgomery for water main work. These funds were part of the federal American Rescue Plan

Clerk Report: No Report

Assessor's Report: His office is working on the quadrennial for assessments.

Highway Commissioner Report: He met with the Village of Montgomery on the water project. He reported that 60 percent of water mains in Montgomery need to be replaced before they can proceed with the water project.

Ordinance Officer Report: His report is attached to these minutes.

Supervisor Report: Supervisor West stated he met with Donna Stanley and Rob DeLong on projects they are working on. He also met with Trustee Bush on the Senior projects. He stated he invited Lucas from the Eagle Scouts to speak to the Township during Public forum.

Supervisor West presented the following bills for approval:

General Road Fund	\$	25,801.10
Permanent Road Fund	\$	59,309.72
Building & Equipment	\$	<u> .00</u>
Total Road Fund	\$	85,110.82
General Town Fund	\$	8,094.92
Assessor	\$	622.97
Cemetery	\$	1,819.96
General Assistance	\$	2,590.49

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

Old Business:

Discussion on Resolution 2023-01 was opened. The discussion revolved around using best practice on the approval of the Closed session minutes. Trustee Bush motioned to approve Resolution 2023-01 which allowed the release of minutes from 11-10-2018, 1-15-2019, 2-12-2019, 3-12-2019, 9-8-2020 and 7-13-2021 as well as the destruction of the recordings of those meetings. Supervisor West second the motion. Roll call vote: Trustee Bush, Sawicki and Supervisor West voted to approve. Trustee Jacobsen and Selmer voted no. Motion carried.

New Business: Discussion and vote on the funding requests for the 3 senior service organizations that serve the Oswego Township community for the FY 2023 / 2024. Trustee Sawicki motioned to Grant funding as follows:

Oswego Senior Center \$20,000

Senior Services of Yorkville \$10,000

Trustee Bush seconded the motion. Roll Call: Trustee Bush, Sawicki and Supervisor West voted to approve. Trustee Jacobsen and Selmer voted no. Motion carried.

Supervisor West opened discussion on Resolution 2023-04 to transfer \$5,000 from Township Fund Contingency to Township Fund vehicle Maintenance and Repair. Trustee Bush motioned to approve, second by Trustee Jacobsen. Roll call: Trustee Bush, Jacobsen, Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor West voted to approve. Motion carried.

Supervisor West opened Discussion on the Township tentative Budget Ordinance 2023-02. After discussion, Trustee Jacobsen motioned to approve the Township Tentative Budget Ordinance 2023-02. Second by Trustee Bush. Roll call: Trustee Bush, Jacobsen, Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor West voted to approve. Motion carried.

Supervisor West opened Discussion on the Highway tentative Budget Ordinance 2023-03. After discussion, Trustee Jacobsen motioned to approve the Highway Tentative Budget Ordinance 2023-03. Second by Trustee Selmer. Roll call: Trustee Bush, Jacobsen, Sawicki, Selmer and Supervisor West voted to approve. Motion carried.

Supervisor West opened the public comment section:

Michelle Bergeron introduced herself as the new Director of the Oswego Senior and Community Center. She also thanked the Township for their support.

Lucas Wilson next gave a presentation on an Eagle Scout project he is planning for the Oswego Cemetery. He is looking to install a flag pole and paver bricks for services at the cemetery. The project was well received by the Township Trustee's.

There were no further comments, so Supervisor West closed the public comment section.

Trustee Jacobsen motioned to adjourn, second by Trustee Selmer, All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:05PM..

Respectfully submitted by:



Kenneth Holmstrom, Township Clerk

ORDINANCE REPORT

February 2023

We have collected on some of the filed liens. A few ordinance complaints have been investigated this month but relatively slow.

Any ordinance complaints, please call the office or email to ordinance@oswegotownship.org.

We are still receiving several calls for both general and emergency assistance. To date, we have assisted 6 clients with our emergency assistance program and have pending cases as of today. With the increase in caseload, we will now be implementing a workforce program to any client receiving General Assistance. This is a program most Townships require and is part of the TOI handbook. As partnership with the workforce program, I have reached out to the Oswego Senior and Community Center as well as Kendall County Senior services. Clients receiving General Assistance will be required to do community service hours with these agencies as part of GA.

On February 7, Donna Stanley and I attended the launch meeting for 211 service in Kendall County. This will provide many resources to residents in need of food, clothing, shelter, financial assistance, etc. I've attached a flier to my report.

I have also been appointed by Supervisor West and Highway Commissioner Ainsworth to represent the Township for Kendall County Emergency Managements hazardous mitigation planning update. I have been working on our preliminary paperwork and have recently submitted it to FEMA. Through the hazardous mitigation plan, I will be working with the Highway Commissioner on plans to improve our storm sewer system and will be seeking a grant through FEMA to fund this project.

System Activity Report

[10/17/2022 - 2/14/2023] Report Date: 2/14/2023

General Assistance

Grants (New Clients) :	0	
Grants (Previous Clients) :	0	
In-Process :	2	
Denials :	9	
Sanctions :	0	
Terminations :	1	
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	12	\$0.00

General Assistance - Medical

Referrals :	0	
Disbursements :	0	
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	0	\$0.00

General Assistance - Work Program Assignments

Job Training :	0	
Workfare :	0	
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Emergency Assistance

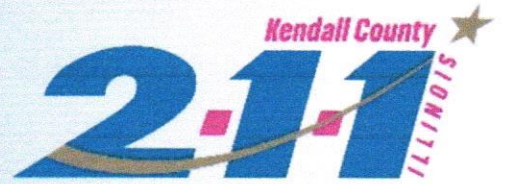
Grants :	5	\$3,896.54
In-Process :	1	
Denials :	2	
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	8	\$3,896.54

Additional Activity

Appointment :	14	
Intake :	7	
Other Referral :	10	
Phone Call :	18	
Walk-In :	3	
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	52	

Grand Totals: 72 \$3,896.54

**ONE FREE CALL TO 2-1-1
CONNECTS YOU WITH ALL
HUMAN SERVICES IN KENDALL COUNTY**



- **Food**
- **Clothing**
- **Shelter**
- **Housing**
- **Rent / Utility Assistance**
- **Counseling**
- **Substance Abuse**
- **Domestic Violence**
- **Sexual Assault**
- **Transportation**
- **Support Groups**
- **Senior Services**
- **Aging Parents**
- **Child Care**
- **Employment**
- **Legal Assistance**
- **Health Care**

