

Minutes of the Oswego Township

REGULAR MEETING

November 14, 2023

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 were Supervisor West, Trustees Bush, Sawicki, Selmer and Helgeson. Also, present was Clerk Holmstrom and Assessor Hauser. Donna Stanley, Lynn Cullick and Frank Carney were present. Deputy Sheriff Stewart was present. Attorney Arkin was present. Highway Commissioner Ainsworth was excused from this meeting. Supervisor West stated that a quorum was present. Six other residents were present.

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

Kendall County Sheriff report was given by Deputy Stewart.

Trustee Report:

Trustee Bush stated she attended Senior Services lunches, a Fox Metro open house and the TOI conference in Springfield. She reported that she completed reconciliation of the bank statements through 10-31-2023.

Trustee Helgeson – He attended meetings to review plans for the scatter garden project. Met with the Oswego downtown business and the Oswego Chamber of Commerce.

Trustee Sawicki – She attended the TOI conference in Springfield, Illinois, The Fox Metro open house and she met with Big Brothers and Big Sisters and the Oswego Senior Center on 10-12-2023.

Trustee Selmer – She completed bank reconciliations through 10-31-2023. She attended a Triad meeting and the Fox Metro open house.

Clerk Report: Holmstrom attended the Oswego Economic Development Commission Board meeting, the Oswego Heritage Association Board meeting, the Oswego Fire Board meeting and the Oswego Chamber of Commerce Board meeting.

Assessor's Report: Hauser reported that his department has a board of review on 52 appeals on property taxes. He stated that on Commercial MLS he uses Costar. He also attended the TOI conference in Springfield.

Ordinance Officer Report: Absent, Excused from meeting.

Highway Commissioner Report: No report – Excused from meeting.

Supervisor Report: He attended the TOI conference in Springfield, attended Veterans events and met with Big Brothers / Big Sisters. He stated that he is working on an Intergovernmental Agreement with Bristol Township on General Assistance.

Supervisor West presented the following bills for approval:

General Road Fund	\$	11,569.33
Permanent Road Fund	\$	15,672.40
Building & Equipment	\$	<u>.00</u>
Total Road Fund	\$	27,241.73
General Town Fund	\$	5,647.60
Assessor	\$	155.08
Cemetery	\$	4,719.85
General Assistance	\$	105.40

Trustee Selmer motioned to approve the bills, second by Trustee Helgeson. Roll call: Trustee's Bush, Sawicki, Selmer, Helgeson and Supervisor West all voted in favor. Motion carried.

New Business: Presentation by the Senior and Community Center on the partnership with Big Brothers / Big Sisters. Discussion followed.

Discussion and vote to approve resolution 2023-10 for the transfer of funds within the Assessors budget. Trustee Helgeson motioned to approve the transfer second by Trustee Bush. Roll call: Trustee's Bush, Sawicki, Selmer, Helgeson and Supervisor West voted in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion and vote to approve tentative Township Levy ordinance 2023-08. Supervisor West mentioned that the Levy is not being increased. Helgeson motioned to approve second by trustee Bush. Roll call: Trustee's Bush, Sawicki, Helgeson and Supervisor West voted in favor. Trustee Selmer voted no. Motion carried.

Discussion and vote to approve the Tentative Road District Levy Ordinance 2023-09. The Levy reflects a 3% increase. Trustee Bush questioned if the Levy was enough for the work that needs to be completed. She asked for the Highway Commissioner to review the levy numbers. Trustee Sawicki motioned to approve the Tentative Road District Levy Ordinance 2023-09 with the request that it be reviewed again by the Highway Commissioner. Second by Trustee Bush. Roll call: Trustee's Bush, Sawicki, Helgeson and Supervisor West voted in favor. Trustee Selmer voted no. Motion carried.

Discussion and vote to appoint Jim Zimmerman and Anthony Cooper to the Oswego Township Plan Commission. Trustee Selmer made the motion, second by Helgeson. Roll all: Trustee's Bush, Sawicki, Selmer, Helgeson and Supervisor West voted in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business: Frank Carney gave an update on the Pfund Scatter Garden Project.

Public Comment: No one wished to speak.

Trustee Helgeson motioned to adjourn, second by Trustee Selmer. All in attendance voted to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kenneth Holmstrom, Township Clerk