

Minutes ~ Board of Town Trustees

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Winnebago County, { ss.
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Town of Harlem , }

THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the Office of the Town Clerk at 819 Melbourne Avenue, Machesney Park, Illinois on February 11, 2021.

PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Terri Knight Chairman
Sheryl Crowley Town Clerk
Kate Tammen Town Trustee
Tommy Meeks Town Trustee
Linda Woodrow-Mertz Town Trustee
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Mrs. Terri Knight acting as chairman, and Sheryl Crowley as clerk.

The following official business was transacted:

Others present: Road Commissioner Ed Tegland, Assessor Jon Vaiden, Attorney John Nelson, Deputy Supervisor Dawn Frank. Citizens: Chuck Knight, Mark Sorrentino, Paul Hofmann & Matt Gabel.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.

Assessor Jon Vaiden gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken, and a quorum declared present. Trustee Arneson is absent.

A motion was made by Trustee Woodrow-Mertz to approve the January 11, 2021 regular board meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Tammen. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

- General Assistance Report – 1 active, 0 pending, 1 application, 0 terminated, 1 denied.
- Financial Reports – On file.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS: Filed a complaint on an assessment rejection before PTAB, case is still pending. If you want to pursue the \$1,000 change discussion (tape inaudible).

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS:

Supervisor: Received certificate from the US Census 2020 (tape inaudible). Things are going well.

Assessor: Board of Review hearings complete the only holdup was Kohls. School district is pleased with the low number of hearings. New staff member is doing well.

Clerk: The lottery for the ballot placement in the upcoming April 6th election was done on January 25, 2021. The Republicans will be first on the ballot. The paperwork has been turned into the County Clerk's office, they will send me a sample ballot for approval. The new term is the 3rd Monday in May which is May 17th, the Assessor's term starts on January 1, 2022.

Road Commissioner: The large of amount of snow has kept them busy. Argyle & Belvidere roads were blown over with snow, the Winnebago County Highway Department used the road grater to push the snow back, they were very helpful. They are now using the salt reserve.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Planning: Did not meet.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval of Bills for Payment – Town – General Assistance – Park – Road & Bridge

Town Fund: A motion was made by Trustee Tammen to approve payment of the Town Fund Bills in the amount of \$29,315.49. Seconded by Trustee Woodrow-Mertz. Motion carried.
4 Ayes (Trustee Meeks, Tammen, Woodrow-Mertz & Supervisor Knight). Trustee Arneson absent.

G.A. Fund: A motion was made by Trustee Meeks to approve payment of the G.A. Fund Bills in the amount of \$319. Seconded by Trustee Tammen. Motion carried.
4 Ayes (Trustee Meeks, Tammen, Woodrow-Mertz & Supervisor Knight). Trustee Arneson absent.

Park Fund: A motion was made by Trustee Woodrow-Mertz to approve payment of the Park Fund Bills in the Amount of \$1,937.04. Seconded by Trustee Tammen. Motion carried.
4 Ayes (Trustee Meeks, Tammen, Woodrow-Mertz & Supervisor Knight). Trustee Arneson absent.

Road & Bridge Fund: A motion was made by Trustee Woodrow-Mertz to approve payment of the Road & Bridge Fund Bills in the amount of \$31,982.10. Seconded by Trustee Meeks. Motion carried.
4 Ayes (Trustee Meeks, Tammen, Woodrow-Mertz & Supervisor Knight). Trustee Arneson absent.

FURTHER DISCUSSION OF TOWNSHIP MATTERS:

Supervisor Knight said they need to hold a hearing on the budget. Discussion. The budget hearing will be held at 5:00 p.m. prior to the regular board meeting on March 8, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Trustee Woodrow-Mertz to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Meeks. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheryl Crowley

Sheryl Crowley
Harlem Township Clerk

Budget Hearing March 8, 2021 at 5:00pm
Regular Board Meeting March 8, 20221 at 5:30pm