

Township of Hampshire



County Of Kane

State Of Illinois

Minutes

January 12, 2021

The Board of Trustees met at the Hampshire Township Administration Offices at 170 Mill Ave., Hampshire, IL on the 12th day of January 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Jody Remakel, Supervisor;
Stan Walker, Hwy Commissioner;
Rose Letheby, Assessor;
Lori Marwig, Clerk;

Evelyn Bicknese, Trustee; Absent
Jim Feld, Trustee;
Steven Gustafson, Trustee;
Roger Paddock, Trustee;

Also in attendance, Fred Rackow – Hampshire Township Cemetery Board Member

1) The meeting opened with a pledge to the flag. Mrs. Remakel asked for a moment of reflection/silence in memory of former Township Supervisor Darwin Conro whom recently passed away. Mrs. Remakel then asked for any changes or additions to the agenda. Mrs. Remakel would like to move Review and Release Closed Minutes to after Closed Session.

2) Minutes. The Board reviewed the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustee Minutes on December 15, 2020. After reviewing the minutes, a motion was made by Trustee Paddock to accept the minutes as presented. Trustee Feld seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all present.

3) Treasurer's Report. The Board reviewed the December Treasurer's report. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to approve the December Treasurer's report. Trustee Paddock seconded the motion and it was approved by all those present. A roll call vote was taken.

Trustee Gustafson Aye Trustee Paddock Aye Trustee Feld Aye Trustee Supervisor Remakel Aye
Trustee Bicknese Absent

4) Reports:

Assessor: Ms. Letheby reported that there is nothing new as this is the quiet time of year.

Cemetery: Mr. Fred Rackow reported that there were 20 total burials last year; 9 cremations and 11 burials. 17 were at Center Cemetery and 3 were at Doty Cemetery. They have been averaging 17/24 per year. There are many lots available at Center Cemetery. The majority of the maintenance done at the cemeteries this year was having the lawns sprayed for crab grass and creeping charlie. They will be using fertilizer, in addition to spraying, this year to help in growing the areas. They also had trees many trimmed at Center Cemetery. Mr. Rackow thanked Mr. Walker for maintaining the back portion of Doty Cemetery. There are no major projects scheduled for 2021 except for the spraying of the cemeteries. Mr. Rackow would also like to thank Trustee Feld, Trustee Paddock, and Supervisor Remakel for the detailed review of the Cemetery Rules and Regulations book.

Highway Commissioner: Mr. Walker reported that they have been out 5 times either plowing or salting due to the snow and ice. All the equipment ran good. 150 tons of salt was ordered but we only received 125 tons due to the delivery truck breaking down. Mr. Walker just ordered another 100 tons of salt this morning. Due to the snow/ice there was a down tree at Kelley and Ketchum Roads. They were able to just push the tree off the road. Mr. Walker has some tree trimming to do and has been keeping busy with shop work. There is no equipment to sell.

Supervisor: Mrs. Remakel reported that we made a donation to the Hampshire/Burlington Food Pantry. We have begun purging the medical equipment. There was a Township resident whom reported to us that the

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lights out at the truck stop are very bright. We will write a letter to the Village of Hampshire about our residents' concerns with the bright lights from the truck stop. This is not the first time we have had a resident complain about it. Mrs. Remakel would like to recognize Darwin Conro and has asked the Board to come up with some ideas. An example, would be something similar to the bench on the patio that is dedicated to Carl Brooks.

Kane County Rep: Was not in attendance.

5) Public Comment. There was none.

6) Old Business. There was no Old Business.

7) New Business.

Review and Release of Closed Minutes. This will be moved to after Closed Session.

Approval of Cemetery Rules and Regulations. Trustee Feld found 1 typo error otherwise the rest of the book looks great. A motion was made by Trustee Feld to approve the Cemetery Rules and Regulations with the 1 typo change. Trustee Paddock seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all those present.

8) Correspondence. There were none.

9) Board of Trustee Comment. There were none.

10) Hampshire Township Development.

Discussion and Approval of Architectural Engineering Proposal. This is tabled.

Discussion of Land Accessibility. Mr. Walker reported that a plat of survey was done for Center St and the alley. He provided paperwork to everyone. Supervisor Remakel reported the conversation she recently had with the neighbor Linda Vietinghoff. Mrs. Vietinghoff would like something in writing before we purchase the property that deeds their property access to their side of the alley and also would like us to maintain the alley. The question is can we grant them easement before we even take ownership of the alley. After some discussion, Supervisor Remakel will contact our attorney with our questions as well as the neighbors' concerns and go from there.

Update on Getty Road. Mr. Walker updated the Board on Getty Road. Mr. Walker called McHenry County and DeKalb County and did not get a response. He then spoke to a Michelle G. from Kane County and according to her records, it is recorded as Getty Road. So there is no issue and we do not need to do anything further.

Policy Project. The Board reviewed the few chapters that needed additional review. Clerk Marwig will begin updating everyone's policy book with the new chapters.

11) Approval of Current bills. Invoices for the Road Fund and Town Fund were reviewed and audited by all trustees present. A motion was made by Trustee Paddock to pay the January bills. Trustee Gustafson seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. (Warrants and signatures are attached hereto). A roll call vote was taken.

Trustee Feld Aye Trustee Gustafson Aye Supervisor Remakel Aye Trustee Paddock Aye

There were some expense reports for the elected officials.

For Highway Commissioner Walker, there was an expense report of \$219.07 for mileage reimbursement.

For Assessor Letheby there was an expense report of \$20.07 for supplies.

For Sexton Letheby there was an expense report of \$14.43 for mileage and bolt snaps.

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A motion was made by Trustee Feld to approve the expense reports. Trustee Paddock seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Supervisor Remakel Aye Trustee Feld Aye Trustee Gustafson Aye Trustee Paddock Aye

12) Closed Session. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to move to Closed Session for the purpose of reviewing all Closed Session Minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Paddock. The Board moved into closed session at 8:35 pm. The Board came back into open session at 8:38 pm.

Review and Release of Closed Minutes. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to release the following closed session minutes:

February 21, 2011, March 10, 2015, and May 15, 2020. Trustee Feld seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all those present.

13) There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Paddock, and then carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Approved on:

Respectfully Submitted:

Lori Marwig
Township Clerk