

# Township of Hampshire



County Of Kane

State Of Illinois

## Minutes July 14, 2020

The Board of Trustees met at the Hampshire Township Administration Offices at 170 Mill Ave., Hampshire, IL on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020 at 7:01pm.

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

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

Also in attendance was Amy and Braden Tiedt, Hampshire Township Residents and Fred Rackow, Cemetery Board Trustee.

1) The meeting opened with a pledge to the flag. Mrs. Remakel asked for any changes or additions to the agenda. There were none.

2) Minutes. The Board reviewed the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustee Minutes on June 9, 2020. After reviewing the minutes, a motion was made by Trustee Feld to accept the minutes as presented. Trustee Gustafson seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all present. The Board then reviewed the Special Town Board Minutes Meeting Minutes from June 23, 2020. Trustee Paddock noted that in the first line there was an error in the spelling of the company name. The correct spelling is Linden Group. A motion was made by Trustee Paddock to approve the minutes with the correction. Trustee Bicknese seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all those present.

3) Treasurer's Report. Mrs. Remakel reviewed the Treasurer's report with the Board. After reviewing the Treasurer's report, a motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Trustee Bicknese seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all those present. A roll call vote was taken.

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

4) Reports:

Assessor: Ms. Letheby reported that the assessments were published on June 23<sup>rd</sup> and taxpayers have until July 24<sup>th</sup> to contest. She has had about 25 residents come in and contest so far.

Cemetery: Mr. Fred Rackow reported this past spring they had the cemeteries sprayed for crabgrass and will have them sprayed this fall for creeping charlie. Elite Landscaping is doing a great job maintaining the cemeteries. This is the last year of the contract with them. The Cemetery will get different bids but it is very difficult to find companies that want to maintain cemeteries. In Doty cemetery, the curve in the driveway was increased in width. The Cemetery Board went with Champion Paving as they were the lowest bid at \$4900.00. The rules and regulation book is not completed due to COVID and they will have it to the Township Board soon. They need to do one last review of it. At the June meeting, Trevor Herrmann was sworn in as the new cemetery trustee. Mr. Rackow thanked Stan Walker for mowing the back half of Doty Cemetery.

Highway Commissioner: Mr. Walker reported that they have once again mowed the entire township with 1 pass. A mini excavator was rented for a month and it was used to clean out the ditches in Casa de Aero.

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It is very hard to get the water moving as the land is very flat. They will be working on more ditches in the township. A box culvert that washed out on Romke Road due to the April rain was fixed.

Supervisor: Mrs. Remakel reported that they are continuing the frozen meal delivery through August. There are about 50 people getting them. The 1<sup>st</sup> senior calendar was sent out. There is a mix of onsite and conference call activities. Supervisor Remakel was notified that there is a senior who does not have air conditioning. After trying several different avenues, Supervisor Remakel purchased a portable air conditioner for this senior to use for the time being. Deputy Gartland stopped by to see if we are doing in person meetings. He will be back with us in August. Mrs. Remakel reported that on Monday July 13, there was a remote meeting regarding the distribution of the Care Act Relief Funding. Originally 8% of the total funds were going to be used for townships, nonprofit organizations, and businesses serving unincorporated areas. During the meeting there was no mention of townships. Supervisor Remakel send out emails to Kane County officials and as of now, there has been no reply. She would like to use this money for payroll reimbursement. This item will be on next month's agenda for approval to request reimbursement.

5) Public Comment. There were none at this time. It was noted that Braden Tiedt was in attendance as part of a scout requirement. He had no questions.

6) Old Business

Cemetery Warranty Deed: This will be tabled till next month.

7) New Business. There was none at this time.

8) Correspondence. Trustee Feld mentioned that he received an email from Kane County regarding his economic interest statement not being completed. It was found that this error communication was sent out to all.

9) Board of Trustee Comment. It was asked if anyone knew if the TOKC meetings are happening anymore. At this time, no one has heard anything. Regarding the annual town meeting, we are going to wait until the executive order is ended to hold our meeting. Trustee Paddock noted that the TOIRMA audit was finished.

10) Hampshire Township Development.

Discussion and Approval of Architectural Engineering Proposal. The Board reviewed the architectural proposal from Linden Group. Would like to have something in place so that if grants become available again, we will have a "shovel" plan ready. Task 1 and 2 of proposal are done. After some discussion it was decided to table this till next month for approval.

Discussion of Land Accessibility. Supervisor Remakel stated that this would need to go in front of the Village board with a public hearing and would need to a 5 to 1 vote in favor. We can either buy it from the Village or have the Village vacate it and we would get half and the other property owners would get their half. The Village does not maintain the alley and Mr. Walker plows it. The fire department does not use the alley which was a residents concern. The Board decided to ask to have the alley vacated. Supervisor Remakel will contact Jay at the Village to request them to vacate the alley.

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 July bills. Trustee Bicknese 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 Trustee Bicknese Aye Trustee Paddock Aye Supervisor Remakel Aye

There were some expense reports for the elected officials.

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For Highway Commissioner Walker, there was an expense report of \$182.28 for mileage reimbursement. For Assessor Letheby there was an expense report of \$70.24 for mileage and supplies. For Cemetery, Sexton Letheby there was an expense report of \$28.73 for mileage and supplies. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to approve the expense reports. Trustee Feld seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.  
Trustee Paddock Aye Trustee Gustafson Aye Trustee Bicknese Aye Trustee Feld Aye Supervisor Remakel Aye

12) There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Bicknese, and then carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Approved on:

Respectfully Submitted:

Lori Marwig  
Township Clerk