

SENECA TOWNSHIP
Regular Monthly Minutes
August 10, 2010

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Seneca Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor James Kagel at the Seneca Township Building located at 16506 Garden Valley Road, Woodstock, Illinois.

Township Officials in Attendance: Supervisor James Kagel, Trustees Rosemary Bartman, Susan Mathews, Thomas Dahlfors, and Michael O’Leary, Road Commissioner Scott Swanson, Assessor Paul Bockman, and Clerk Dawn Seemann. Absent officials: None.

Guests in Attendance: Cassandra McKinney, Bob Pope.

Public Speaking: None.

Minutes: Dahlfors motioned to approve the July 13, 2010 minutes as presented. Second by Bartman. Motion passed.

Audit of Current Bills:

Road District - Mathews motioned to approve the Road District bills for the period of July 14, 2010 through August 10, 2010 in the amount of \$8,705.54. Second by Dahlfors. Voting yes: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O’Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

Town Fund - Dahlfors motioned to approve the Town Fund bills for the period of July 14, 2010 through August 10, 2010 in the amount of \$8,623.88. Second by Bartman. Voting yes: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O’Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report: Kagel reported to the board some errors in last month’s Treasurer’s Report, which have since been corrected and reflect on this month’s Treasurer’s Report. Dahlfors motioned to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the period of July 1, 2010 through July 31, 2010, as listed below. Second by O’Leary. Voting yes: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O’Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

Harris Checking	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
Town Fund	\$106,562.74	0	(\$20,534.00)	\$5,149.62	\$91,178.36
Road & Bridge	\$153,501.98	0	(\$7,245.24)	\$3,493.59	\$149,750.33

Harris CD	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
Road & Bridge	\$125,396.99	0	0	0	\$125,396.99

Harris Money Market	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
General Assistance	\$102,073.53	0	(\$130.00)	\$72.03	\$102,015.56
Perm Hard Road	\$164,787.67	0	(\$13,999.94)	\$3,377.35	\$154,165.08
Bldg & Maintenance	\$66,280.12	0	(\$3,534.99)	\$832.65	\$63,577.78

Guest Speaker: Cassandra McKinney, McHenry County Water Resource Manager, spoke to the board about the various water studies being performed across the county, as well as their future plans to have new stream gauges installed. In addition, she told the board that the information they are getting from the observation well that is installed on township property will soon be available to view on their website. Following Ms. McKinney’s

presentation, she informed the board that they are looking for funding partners for the stream gauge project. Any amount is appreciated; however, a three-year commitment is required. The board will address this issue at next month's meeting. Kagel will either send an email or letter to Ms. McKinney stating our decision.

General Assistance Report: Kagel has nothing to report this month.

Clerk's Report: Seemann reported that the township's website is back up and running, thanks' to Supervisor Kagel's many phone calls to get it accomplished.

Road Commissioner's Report: Swanson informed the board that Baker & Sons have started paving Rose Farm Road. In addition, Swanson and his crew have been busy working on the road district building - insulating, etc.; they have boom mowed the brush along the right-of-ways; and worked on ditching. Swanson was told by the county that there will be not be a shortage of yellow paint as predicted earlier this year, so there should be no problem getting the roads striped.

Assessor's Report: Bockman informed the board of his progress with getting the property information into the PAMS program on his computer. The bill was received from the county for their share of helping him with this process. Bockman stated he will pay that bill with his education funds since he doesn't have any schooling lined up for this year. In addition, he has turned in all of the assessment books to the county on schedule.

Old Business:

A. Planning Commission Members - Kagel contacted the current Planning Commission Members regarding their terms being up. Clerk Seemann will put a notice on the website and in the newspaper informing the Seneca Township residents of the vacancies. This issue will be put back on the agenda for next month's meeting.

B. Finish Coat Blacktopping Parking Lot -The blacktopping bid for the parking lot came in. The estimate for the finish cost on the driveway to lay 1-1/2" of surface is \$7,800. Dahlfors motioned for Swanson to go ahead with the project. Second by O'Leary. Voting yes: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O'Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

Supervisor's Report:

- Kagel received a letter from the County Treasurer asking us to complete the report for unclaimed property. There is no unclaimed property at the township; therefore, no further action needs to be taken.
- A letter was received from McHenry County Council of Government (McCog) regarding its annual auction of public property.
- The McHenry County Department of Planning and Development would like input regarding their process of revising the development regulations for the 2030 Plan. There is a Unified Development Ordinance in the process of being written by the county.

Adjourn: At 8:41 p.m. O'Leary motioned to adjourn tonight's regular monthly meeting. Second by Dahlfors. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Seemann
Township Clerk