

**SENECA TOWNSHIP**  
**Regular Monthly Minutes**  
**September 14, 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:** Don Andrews and Bob Pope.

**Public Speaking:** Don Andrews would like the constituents of Seneca Township to design a Township flag. He added that he will pay for the 1<sup>st</sup> flag to be made. Kagel will put this issue on the October agenda for further discussion.

**Minutes:** Dahlfors motioned to approve the August 10, 2010 minutes as presented. Second by Bartman. Motion passed.

**Audit of Current Bills:**

**Road District** - O’Leary motioned to approve the Road District bills for the period of August 11, 2010 through September 14, 2010 in the amount of \$13,253.13. Second by Dahlfors. Voting yes: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O’Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

**Town Fund** - Bartman motioned to approve the Town Fund bills for the period of August 11, 2010 through September 14, 2010 in the amount of \$21,127.96. Second by Dahlfors. Voting yes: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O’Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Kagel informed the board of some corrections to the July Treasurer’s Report. The changes are reflected on the August Treasurer’s Report. O’Leary motioned to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the period of August 1, 2010 through August 31, 2010, as listed below. Second by Dahlfors. Voting yes: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O’Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

<b>Harris Checking</b>	<b>Prev. Bal.</b>	<b>Transfer Funds</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Ending Bal.</b>
Town Fund	\$89,404.53	0	\$8,992.98	\$7,843.17	\$88,254.72
Road & Bridge	\$149,750.33	0	\$5,707.28	\$5,275.88	\$149,318.93

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

<b>Harris Money Market</b>	<b>Prev. Bal.</b>	<b>Transfer Funds</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Ending Bal.</b>
General Assistance	\$102,015.56	0	0	\$109.77	\$102,125.33
Perm Hard Road	\$154,165.08	0	\$1,070.82	\$5,670.94	\$158,765.20
Bldg & Maintenance	\$63,577.78	0	\$2,161.57	\$1,394.96	\$62,811.17

**General Assistance Report:** Kagel reported he had no calls this month. In addition, he informed the board that he will be attending a GA training seminar in Rockford next week.

**Clerk's Report:** Seemann has nothing to report this month.

**Road Commissioner's Report:** Swanson reported that Rose Farm Road and Millstream Road have been paved. Swanson called to have the butt joint repaired on Rose Farm Road where it meets Hartland.

- Swanson and his crew have been working on ditching, patching bad spots in the roads, and have completed their 3<sup>rd</sup> and final mowing along the right-of-ways for this year.
- Swanson will be purchasing a snow wing for one of the plows. Two bids were received. The cost of the wing will be approximately \$9,250.00.

**Assessor's Report:** Bockman stated the tax assessments were mailed, and he met with some people who challenged their assessment. Bockman said he received approximately 13 calls.

- Currently, there are no new building permits or occupancy permits, so he hasn't had to do much measuring - leaving him time to continue to enter the property information into his software program.

**Old Business:**

- A. Planning Commission members possible appointments** - Kagel reported there was one applicant interested in joining our planning commission. He will contact that person and set up an interview for next month's meeting.
- B. Possible funding for Franklinville location stream gauge** - Kagel informed the board that the stream gauge has already been installed. Upon further discussion, O'Leary motioned not to fund the stream gauge project. Second by Dahlfors. Voting yes to not fund the stream gauge: Bartman, Mathews, Dahlfors, O'Leary, Kagel. Voting no: None. Motion passed. Kagel will draft a letter informing the interested parties of our decision.

**New Business:**

- A. Seneca Township's position on Gypsy Moth spraying** - Kagel received an email from a resident informing him that he had four dead trees cut down and the company who cut them told the resident the trees showed evidence of gypsy moths. This resident would like to know our position on spraying for gypsy moths. Mathews stated that not all residents would want a plane spraying their yards, pools, etc. Upon further discussion, O'Leary motioned that we do not spray for gypsy moths. Second by Dahlfors. Motion passed. It was suggested that this resident should contact the University of Illinois extension office in Woodstock for information regarding gypsy moth prevention.
- B. Legislative Survey from TOI** - Kagel asked the board if they had any new suggestions for TOI's annual survey? They did not. Kagel mentioned that he will again include the issue of having the state or county pay the townships for road damage on township roads that have been used for detours.

**Supervisor's Report:**

- Kagel received an email from a resident concerned about the traffic that may occur on Pleasant Valley Road should the proposed Sportsplex be built. The board stated that they are not involved in the decision making in anyway, therefore can't do anything to help ease the concerns.
- Kagel will be attending the McCog meeting this month because there will be a presentation about expanding Dial-a-Ride and the future of public transportation.

**Motion to Adjourn:** At 8:19 p.m. O'Leary motioned to adjourn tonight's regular monthly meeting. Second by Dahlfors. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Seemann - Township Clerk  
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