

**Regular Monthly Meeting**

**December 14, 2021**

The December Regular Monthly Meeting of the Seneca Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30 pm by Supervisor Josh Brown at the Seneca Township Building located at 16506 Garden Valley Road, Woodstock, Illinois.

**Officials in Attendance:** Supervisor Josh Brown, Trustees Rosemary Bartman, Gina LeFevour, Gerald Gieseke, and Denise Sass, Assessor Tammy Benitez, Road Commissioner Scott Swanson, and Clerk Dawn Seemann. Absent Officials: None.

**Guests in Attendance:** Sheldon Soldwich

**Assessor's Report:** Benitez reported she turned in her budget to Supervisor Brown, and has been working on purchasing a new computer.

**Public Speaking:** Mr. Soldwich informed the board that a tree fell on his fence while the tree company Road Commissioner Swanson hired to cut trees down along the right-of-way on a section of Bockman Road was cutting them down. Mr. Soldwich wants payment to replace some posts that were damaged.

**Audit of Current Bills:**

**Road District** - LeFevour motioned to approve the Road District bills for payment for the period of November 10, 2021 through December 14, 2021 in the amount of \$18,786.85. Second by Bartman. Voting yes: Bartman, LeFevour, Gieseke, Sass, Brown. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

**Town Fund** - Sass motioned to approve the Town Fund bills for payment for the period of November 10, 2021 through December 14, 2021 in the amount of \$9,039.39. Second by LeFevour. Voting yes: Bartman, LeFevour, Gieseke, Sass, Brown. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

**Minutes:** Bartman motioned to approve the November 9, 2021 Regular Monthly Minutes as presented. Second by Sass. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bartman motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report for the period of November 1, 2021 through November 30, 2021, as listed below. Second by Gieseke. Voting yes: Bartman, LeFevour, Gieseke, Sass, Brown. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

Checking	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
Town Fund	\$186,403.46	0	(\$8,871.11)	\$982.04	\$178,514.39
Road & Bridge	\$265,268.95	0	(\$5,473.80)	\$1,459.40	\$261,254.55

Money Market	Prev. Bal.	Transfer Funds	Expenses	Income	Ending Bal.
General Assistance	\$99,465.48	0	0	\$13.35	\$99,478.83
Perm Hard Road	\$147,365.31	0	(\$12,624.30)	\$901.21	\$135,642.22
Bldg & Maintenance	\$49,804.90	0	0	\$185.05	\$49,989.95

**General Assistance Report:** Brown has nothing to report this month.

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

**Road Commissioner's Report:** Swanson reported all of the plows have been put on the trucks and are ready to go. In addition, he has been patching roads, and picking up trees that had fallen during the last storm.

- Swanson's response to Mr. Soldwich's request earlier in today's meeting is as follows. Swanson informed the board that the township right-of-ways are 33 feet from the center of the road. Mr. Soldwich's fence is 19 feet off the center of the road, making that fence on the township right-of-way. According to the Right-of-Way law for Illinois, because the fence is in the right-of-way, the township is not liable for the damage, and therefore, will not pay for the damage. The fence may need to be moved or taken down.

**Old Business:**

- A. **Planning Commission - Sue Standish** - Bartman informed the board that Mrs. Standish is unable to attend tonight's meeting, but will attend the January meeting.

**New Business:**

- A. **Vote to approve 2022-2023 tax levies for Town & Road funds:**

**Town Fund** - LeFevour motioned to approve the Town Fund Levy for 2022-2023. Second by Bartman. Voting yes: Bartman, LeFevour, Gieseke, Sass, Brown. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

**Road District** - Sass motioned to approve the Road District Levy for 2022-2023. Second by Gieseke. Voting yes: Bartman, LeFevour, Gieseke, Sass, Brown. Voting no: None. Motion passed.

**Supervisor's Report:** Brown questioned LeFevour about her progress regarding the newsletter. LeFevour said Copy Express will take care of everything for the newsletter, and will have the cost at the January meeting.

**Motion to Adjourn:** At 7:11pm Bartman motioned to adjourn the December regular monthly meeting. Second by LeFevour. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Seemann  
Township Clerk