

Atlanta Township
301 SW Arch Street, Atlanta, Illinois 61723
October 11, 2022
Monthly Meeting Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Atlanta Township Board was held October 11th, 2022 at the Atlanta Township Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:31 P.M. by Supervisor Julie Osborn. Those present were Supervisor Julie Osborn, Clerk Shellie Reed, Highway Commissioner Wes Green, Trustees Amy Wertheim, Georgia Green, Becky Brandt and Chuck Van Hoorn; and Cemetery Manager Shelly Brooks. Guests present was Shelly Buettner.

The following items were discussed:

PUBLIC COMMENT: Trustee Wertheim said she wanted to be sure everyone is aware of the potential CO2 Pipeline being brought into Logan County. The main concern is the potential damage to the Mahomet Aquifer if the pipeline leaks. There are three websites which have information: summitcarbonsolutions.com, navigatorco2.com, wolfcarbonsolutions.com. Trustee Wertheim thought the Atlanta Township Board may need to consider the issue in the future.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the September 13, 2022 meeting were reviewed by each member. Trustee Van Hoorn made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Brandt seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2022 meeting as presented.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Striegel & Knobloch – Comptroller's Report/AFR – The report has been received and it has been filed. The bill was \$1,250.00 compared to the \$4,900.00 bill in 2021.

Local Government Consolidation & Efficiency Act – PB 102-1088 – Supervisor Osborn is continuing to gather information.

CLERK'S REPORT: The OMA website is still down.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER REPORT: Highway Commissioner Green reported he has done trimming of trees along roadways and extended a culvert to a field for a farmer.

Road Barricades for Cemetery narrow road – waiting for a quote from Wherry or the final product from the Fab Shop, who is still saying he will do them.

CEMETERY REPORT: Cemetery Manager Brooks reported the following: Three markings were done – 2 for Adams Memorial and 1 for Manley; 4 spaces were sold to Phil Knoeppel and 1 to Kim Danielson; new brochures and burial cards have been printed and cut up; Vivian Hill's burial is scheduled for Friday, October 14. Dena's memorials completed some stone repairs and should be finished soon with the rest.

OLD BUSINESS: Recycling dumpster hosted by Township – Clerk Reed reported it has been delivered and when it is almost full, we will call for pick-up. Postings have been done on the Atlanta Facebook pages with positive responses.

Cemetery Interment List – discussion was held on posting the cemetery interment list or just a link to Find-A-Grave. The interment list gives the name and burial site. The maps are on the website showing the locations of each site should anyone wish to find a grave. Trustee Wertheim made a motion to put the interment list on the site with Find-A-Grave, as well, with a comment the list will be updated twice a year – January and June. Trustee Green seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried to approve the posting of the interment list and the link to Find-A-Grave on the website.

NEW BUSINESS: Tax Levy 2023-2024 – discussion was held on the tax levy to propose for the 2023-2024 year. Trustee Wertheim made a motion to maintain the same tax levy for the Township and Road and Bridge District for taxes to be billed for 2022 and collected in 2023. Trustee Green seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Osborn – yes; Trustee Wertheim – yes; Trustee Brandt – yes; Trustee Green – yes; Trustee Van Hoorn – yes. The motion passed and the proposed tax levy will be posted for 30 days for public review and comment at the November meeting for final approval.

Maintenance Work – discussion was held on hiring someone to do insulation in the sheds to assist with saving on heat for the winter. Supervisor Osborn will contact someone to get pricing for insulation as well as a new south door for the truck shed for review in November. If pricing is over \$20,000, a formal bidding process will be completed.

FINANCIAL REPORT & PAYING OF BILLS: Board Members reviewed the bills to be paid. Trustee Van Hoorn made a motion to approve the financial report and paying of the bills. Trustee Green seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Osborn – yes; Trustee Brandt – yes; Trustee Wertheim – yes; Trustee Green – yes; Trustee Van Hoorn – yes. The motion carried and bills were approved for payment.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: Supervisor Osborn said she, Clerk Reed and Cemetery Manager Brooks will be attending the TOI conference in Springfield November 14 and asked if anyone would like to attend. Trustee Brandt expressed interest in attending. The sessions to be attended are intergovernmental agreements, cemetery management and running a foodbank.

Supervisor Osborn adjourned the meeting at 8:43 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shellie Reed
Atlanta Township Clerk