

Atlanta Township
301 SW Arch Street, Atlanta, Illinois 61723
July 12, 2022
Monthly Meeting Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Atlanta Township Board was held July 12th, 2022 at the Atlanta Township Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 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. There were no guests present.

The following items were discussed:

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the June 14, 2022 meeting were reviewed by each member. Trustee Brandt made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Wertheim seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2022 meeting as presented.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Supervisor Osborn will be calling the accounting firm Striegel, Knobloch and Company to request assistance completing the Annual Treasurers/Comptrollers Report which is due by September 30, 2022.

CLERK'S REPORT: Nothing to report.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER REPORT: Highway Commissioner Green reported the following: chips have been spread on a couple of spots with issues due to the heat; Greg Tucker hauled 100 tons of C6 rock; July 19 seal coating will begin; the ½ inch rock has not come in yet – 600 tons should be coming in; Scott Hostetler will be working on 2300rd Street.

CEMETERY REPORT: Cemetery Manager Brooks reported the following: Two burials have been completed – Thelma Rankin and Sharon McKown; there have been two deed transfers and two spaces have been marked for Dina Memorials; Laverne checked and there are 4,137 records of burials at the cemetery; for 2022 there have been 10 burials both cremation and full burials.

OLD BUSINESS:

Road Barricades for Cemetery narrow road – Highway Commissioner Green will contact the Fab Shop and get a deadline for the posts being completed; Cemetery Manager Brooks will have Al mark the spaces for the posts to go.

3 Person Audit Committee of Electorate – Additional names were suggested of Linda Evans; Jim Bicknell; Jim McKown. Clerk Reed will begin working on determining when and contacting people to request assistance.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval of Multi-Township Assessors District – Supervisor Osborn read the letter from Logan County regarding Multi-Township Assessor Districts. Trustee Wertheim made a motion to accept the proposed Multi-Township Assessor District for Atlanta Township. 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 the Multi-Township Assessor District map was approved.

Local Government Consolidation & Efficiency Act – discussion was held on the new law requiring local governments to have a review of their efficiency by electorate and board members completed by June 30, 2023 with future reviews held every ten years. Supervisor Osborn will continue to research the requirements to begin putting together a committee to complete the requirement.

FINANCIAL REPORT & PAYING OF BILLS:

Board Members reviewed the bills to be paid. Trustee Green made a motion to approve the financial report and paying of the bills. Trustee Brandt 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:

Discussion was held on the Perspective Magazine article on “ATVs and Non-highway Vehicles on Local Roads” and Township liability. Highway Commissioner Green will discuss the issue with the County Highway Commissioner for suggestions on handling it. Signage may be required on roads leaving City of Atlanta limits as well as on the ends of the roads deemed necessary coming into the Township.

Discussion was held on whether the Township is responsible for attempting to provide broadband. Based on the current grant offerings which require 50% matching by the Township, agreement was the Township cannot afford to assist with providing it.

Discussion was held on the signage for maps at the cemetery. Cemetery Manager Brooks will be discussing the signage options at the Cemetery Advisory Board meeting.

Supervisor Osborn adjourned the meeting at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shellie Reed
Atlanta Township Clerk