

Old Town Township
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Trustee Meeting Minutes
November 19th, 2018

Meeting Call to Order and Roll Call

Supervisor, Brent McCready called the Old Town Township Trustee Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Township Officials Present:

Brent McCready, Supervisor
Phil Reynolds, Road Commissioner
John Haushalter, Clerk
Larry Durbin, Trustee
Mark Hines, Trustee
Kathy Johnson, Trustee
Joe Rogus, Trustee

Township Officials Absent:

Terry DeHaan, Contract Assessor (Report submitted)

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge recited by Old Town Township board members.

Guest Introductions/Public Comments

No guests

Administrative Agenda

Kathy Johnson made the motion to approve the meeting minutes with this adjustment from the October 2018 Trustee Meeting. A second motion was made by Joe Rogus. **The motion presented was approved by unanimous vote of the trustees present.**

Mark Hines made the motion to approve the November 2018 Treasurer's Report. A second motion was made by Larry Durbin. **The motion presented was approved by unanimous vote of the trustees present.**

Joe Rogus made the motion to approve the November 2018 Authorization of Expenses - Town. A second motion was made by Kathy Johnson. **The motion presented was approved by unanimous vote of the trustees present.**

Larry Durbin made the motion to approve the November 2018 Authorization of Expenses - Road. A second motion was made by Mark Hines. **The motion presented was approved by unanimous vote of the trustees present.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Monthly Expenses & Fund Balances 11/19/2018

Township is requesting payment of bills in the amount of:

Town Fund \$8,830.42

Road District is requesting payment of bills in the amount of:

General Fund \$2,371.58

Permanent Road Fund \$16,686.45

Joint Bridge Fund \$0.00

Equipment and Building Fund \$0.00

Total \$19,069.37

Ending Bank Balances - Heartland Bank 11/19/2018

Old Town Township - Road Fund Checking \$613,702.21

Old Town Township Fund - Town Fund Checking \$339,445.67

Road Fund Balances 11/19/2018	Checking	CD	Total
Equipment and Building Fund	\$162,018.61	\$120,000.00	\$282,018.61
General Road Fund	\$173,892.22	\$1,450,000.00	\$1,623,892.22
Joint Bridge Fund	\$155,201.65	\$465,000.00	\$620,201.65
Permanent Road	\$122,589.73	\$25,000.00	\$147,589.73
Total	\$613,702.21	\$2,060,000.00	\$2,673,702.21

Town Fund Balances 11/19/2018	Checking	CD	Total
Town Fund Balances	\$339,445.67	\$100,000.00	\$439,445.67

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Phil Reynolds

No report

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Terry DeHaan

Old Town Township property assessments that changed in 2018 were mailed to property owner's and published in the Pantagraph on Friday, August 10th. Property owner's had 30 days to appeal their assessment to the Board of Review which ended on September 30th.

The 30 day appeal period expired on September 10 and during this time; I received 43 phone calls and eight emails requesting information regarding their property assessment and the appeal process. Of these 43 inquires, I made 20 property assessment recommendations to the Board of Review. Two of these were due to calculation errors in changing the properties 2018 assessed values. To-date all recommendations made have been accepted and approved by the BOR.

Thirty one formal appeals were made directly to the Board of Review. Each appeal was responded to with my recommendation. Each appeal was communicated to property owners with the BOR proposed assessed value. Property owners had seven days after receiving the proposal assessment notice to request a formal

appeal. Of the thirty one formal appeals, eight requested a formal hearing which was conducted on October 31st. The BOR will formally communicate their final decision for all thirty one appeals upon completing all BOR actions for the County and formally closing the books for 2018, most likely mid-December.

Not surprising is that of the two subdivisions, Tangle wood and Dover Lake Properties, which re-assessments were conducted, a significant number of inquiries and appeals were from these two subdivisions. All of my responses to these were to make no change to their assessed values and the BOR has been supportive of my recommendation.

The eight formal hearing included one from Dover Ridge, two from Tanglewood, one from Brentwood, one from Mallingham, one from Sherwood Lakes that also involve a request to lower the assessed value by more than \$100,000, and one from the developer of Beecher Trails for an exemption that is not within my or the BOR authority.

As of the county assessors last report of November 9th, all 31 Mclean County Townships were published and the 30 day appeal period concluded. Of the 31 townships, 19 had equalization multipliers with Empire the only one with a negative multiplier at .9928 and Hudson having the lowest positive multiplier at 1.051, and the highest being Money Creek with a 1.0401 (4.01%) Multiplier. There are six townships with multipliers higher than Old Town Townships Equalization Multiplier of 1.0171 or 1.71%

To Date there are a total of 1034 BOR actions. The six highest townships are: City of Bloomington 436, Normal 255, Old Town 54, Randolph 39, Money Creek 34 and Dry Grove 24. Of all the townships, Old Town Twp. appears being hit the hardest with the impact of the State Farm Resizing.

CEMETERY REPORT:

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor McCready reviewed the 2019 Township Tax Levy. After discussion, Kathy Johnson made the motion to approve the November 2019 Township Tax Levy proposal. A second motion was made by Joe Rogus. **The motion presented was approved by unanimous vote of the trustees present.**

Road Commissioner Reynolds reviewed the 2019 Road Tax Levy. After discussion, Mark Hines made the motion to approve the November 2019 Road Tax Levy proposal. A second motion was made by Larry Durbin. **The motion presented was approved by unanimous vote of the trustees present.**

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

- Record destruction approval received from the Secretary of State

- Town Hall Rental – Renters must be a resident of the township. The rental fee is \$40. Renters are responsible for cleanup and any damage.
- The recent legislation for the Clerk to attest all payments made by the township is under review on if any action is required to comply. At this time no action is planned.
- There are expected improvements for Cemetery operations planned in 2019. These improvements will be determined by the Cemetery board.

AROUND THE TABLE:

None.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to discuss, the motion to adjourn was made by Kathy Johnson and seconded by Larry Durbin. **The motion presented was approved by unanimous vote of trustees present.** Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.