

**Atlanta Township**  
**301 SW Arch Street, Atlanta, Illinois 61723**  
**November 8, 2022**  
**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The monthly meeting of the Atlanta Township Board was held November 8th, 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 and Becky Brandt. Guest present was Shelly Buettner. Trustee Chuck Van Hoorn and Cemetery Manager Shelly Brooks were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Julie Osborn.

The following items were discussed:

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Trustee Wertheim reviewed how agenda items are submitted.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** The minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting were reviewed by each member. Trustee Wertheim requested a correction. Trustee Wertheim made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Trustee Green seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting as corrected.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:** There is a TIF Joint Review Board Meeting being held November 17 as a zoom meeting. Discussion was held on the boundaries on the map provided by the City of Atlanta. Trustee Wertheim will contact Mayor McVey to discuss the boundaries prior to the meeting. Copies of the material for the meeting were distributed.

**CLERK'S REPORT:** Recycling dumpsters hosted by Township Update - The recycling dumpster is not full enough for a pick-up. We can set-up a schedule for the pick-ups once we determine how frequently it appears to be getting full. The sign on the dumpster is incorrect, they do take all types of paper including newspaper.

Cemetery Interment List or Find A Grave Link on Website – the list is not on the website as it will not load. An email has been sent to TOI asking for assistance.

**HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER REPORT:** Highway Commissioner Green reported he has been able to drag some gravel roads and gotten mowing done but has more to do.

Road Barricades for Cemetery narrow road – Nick has ordered the materials.

There is a solar farm in the development stages for next to the interstate on 2400<sup>th</sup> Road at the dead end, which is a township road. If it goes through, they will be responsible for any repairs which affect the various farmers on the road accessing their fields.

**CEMETERY REPORT:** Cemetery Manager Brooks was absent but provided the following report. One burial space was sold to Deborah Shawny Langley; a burial for Vivian Hill was held October 14; a burial was held for Faye Gresham October 26; proof was been provided of the burial of Sarah Hoblit Shipley Weed on January 15, 1872 with a picture of her monument for Karen Korarick (relative). The Sexton has been contacted to mark 2 spaces for Adams Memorials. The

restoration bill for Dena's Memorials has been received. Ten burial cards have been updated including for Caroline Anne Shifflet whose obituary was found online.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Tax Levy 2023-2024 – Supervisor Osborn asked if there is any public comment on the proposed tax levy. There being no public comment, Trustee Wertheim made a motion to accept and file the proposed levy for the 2023-2024 year. 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 – absent. The motion passed and the proposed tax levy is accepted and will be filed with the county.

Maintenance Work – An estimate was received for insulating the shed off the office - difference in thickness - 1 ½" or 2" on top of the insulation already there. Billington's recommends 1 ½" which is \$6,700. Trustee Brandt made a motion to accept the bid for spray insulation at the 1 ½" for \$6,700. Trustee Wertheim seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Osborn – yes; Trustee Brandt – yes; Trustee Wertheim – yes; Trustee Green – yes; Trustee Van Hoorn was absent.

The truck shed south door estimate was received from Childer's Door Service to replace the south door with new insulation. The windows will be up higher so no one can see in to see what is in there, but windows will help with light and heating. A new door mechanism will go on the north door and new sealant on the bottom of the door is included. Highway Commissioner Wes recommends accepting the bid minus the hauling off of the old door for \$6,942.91. Trustee Wertheim made a motion to accept the bid and 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 was absent.

**NEW BUSINESS:** 2023 meeting dates – Clerk Reed provided the proposed dates for the 2023 calendar year. Trustee Green made a motion to accept meeting dates for 2023. Trustee Brandt seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried to accept the dates for the 2023 meetings.

Collumbarium - plan of action - Trustee Wertheim suggested getting bids for using the cemetery capital fund money to build a columbarium. A discussion was held over options for designing and landscaping. Trustee Brandt said she will check with a few cemeteries in Bloomington on their columbariums for more information.

**FINANCIAL REPORT & PAYING OF BILLS:** Board Members reviewed the bills to be paid. Trustee Wertheim 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 was absent. The motion carried and bills were approved for payment.

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:** No questions or comments were made.

Supervisor Osborn adjourned the meeting at 9:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shellie Reed  
Atlanta Township Clerk