

May 15, 2017 – May 16, 2021 TERM

Jay Kohlmiller - Supervisor
Robert Helms - Highway Commissioner
Kathy Long - Clerk

Seth Joy – Trustee
Jack Mitchell - Trustee
Dennis Mueller - Trustee
Tim Tosovsky – Trustee

November 21, 2019 - MINUTES - Regular Meeting of the Township Board
3700 Tosovsky Lane, Edwardsville, IL 62025

1. Meeting was called to order by the Supervisor at 6:30 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll call showed Jay, Robert, Kathy, Seth, Jack, Dennis and Tim in attendance.
4. Introduction of Guests - James Arnold (Mad Co.), Walt Williams (City of Edw.), Chris Byron, (representing Prairie Farms Dairy and Scott Credit Union), Matt Kelly (representing Pin Oak Township), Charlene Mitchell (rental manager), Kevin Dwyer (resident) and Jill Buford (resident).
5. Minutes from October 17, 2019 were read by the clerk. Seth asked for clarification on the Enterprise Zone discussion from Chris Byron. It should read Scott Credit Union and Prairie Farms Dairy requested to start over. Seth made a motion to approve the minutes with amended statement. Jack seconded. Hearing no objections, the October minutes were approved.
6. Public Comments – Kevin stated he has put the BUMP sign back up several times on the corner of Goshen and Staunton and was wondering when improvements will be done. Robert reported that part of the repair has been made by the county.
7. Treasurer’s Report was read by the Supervisor. Jack made a motion to approve the report. Dennis seconded. Hearing no further discussion or objections, the October Treasurer’s Report was approved.
8. Township and Road District bills were reviewed by the Trustees and approved for payment.
9. Reports
 - A. Supervisor’s Report
 - 1) Bookkeeping update – Jay provided a year to date report on expenses, budget allocation and remaining balances in Town and Road funds. He has a workshop on Quick Books scheduled in the next few weeks.
 - B. Highway Commissioner’s Report
 - 1) Silver Creek Bridge – stalled for now until an agreement is reached on some funding.
 - 2) Michael Drive – Project still needs clean up and joints tarred.
 - 3) Chelsea Lane – may try to hold off until Spring to complete the project.
 - 4) Equipment – Truck may be here next month. Robert received a quote from Woody’s for the truck bed. The total will be approximately \$50,000.00 for stainless steel bed, new plow, salt spreader and such to complete the set up.
 - 5) Darrel Giesecking – Jay spoke with Darrel and he was pleased with the work completed.
 - 6) Radar Detected Speed Limit signs - Robert is considering getting one to use in various locations on our roads.
 - D. No Clerk’s Report was given.
 - E. Trustee’s Report – Dennis commented on the new ceiling and lighting and how much better the facility looks.
 - F. Rental Manager’s Report – Charlene Mitchell – Rental on Thanksgiving Day, December 14th, and potentially December 25th. She also commented on the poor condition of the floor after a recent group held their meeting. She had to spend extra time cleaning. Discussion followed.
10. Old Business
 - A. Building/Property Maintenance
 1. Future Projects
 - a) Men’s Restroom/Storage Room Drains – no report.

- b) Ceiling / Building Lighting / Sound System Project – Lighting and ceiling is completed. Jack is playing with the sound system.
- c) One of the furnaces was not working. Repairs have been made and it is now working. Jack got both furnaces working.
- d) The water heater was replaced because it was leaking.
- B. Pin Oak Township Webpage (Jack & Seth) – Seth will contact Tyler to discuss maintenance.
- C. Town Tax Levy – Recommended Town Levy was posted for public review (30 days). Board discussion was held about projects and expenditures. Dennis made a motion to accept the 3% tax increase and approve the Town Tax Levy as recommended. Seth seconded. A unanimous vote showed all in favor, motion approved.
- E. Road Tax Levy – Recommended Road and Bridge Tax Levy was posted for public review (30 days). Board discussion was held. Seth made the motion to accept the 5% Road and Bridge Tax increase as recommended by Robert. Jack seconded. A unanimous vote showed all in favor and motion was approved.
- F. No other Old Business was discussed.
- 11. New Business
 - A. Enterprise Zone Discussion – Jay opened the discussion. Matt Kelly, a lawyer contacted by Pin Oak Township, commented that after speaking with the Edwardsville attorney, he understands that the county can force Pin Oak Township to participate in the Enterprise Zone. They cannot force us to abate Pin Oak Taxes without the approval of the township board. If Pin Oak chooses to join a future enterprise zone, tax abatement would be in force. Discussion followed. The major part of the Enterprise Zone is located down close to Pontoon Beach and expands through Edwardsville (some parts are 3 ft. wide) and reaches to Scott Credit Union and Prairie Farms Dairy. An Enterprise Zone is limited to 12 square miles. It has already expanded 14 times but has not reached the 12 square mile limit. Discussion regarding taxes received from agriculture or original value versus the improvement taxes assessed over the years followed. Is there a public hearing/meeting? After a project is improved, it is published in the papers for notification. Grants Committee and County Board meetings are public meetings. Enterprise Zone grants are reserved in Edwardsville for prime employers. Questions were presented and discussion for clarification was held. Potentially, a public meeting will be scheduled for January 2020. Jack discussed the responsibility of Pin Oak to maintain the roads during the Enterprise Zone time years from the heavier traffic. Seth discussed the options of voting on the Enterprise Zone. The board can vote to not participate with a tax abatement or to participate with specific terms. Seth made a motion that the Pin Oak Township Board moves forward to recognize the Enterprise Zone and request council to move forward preparation of a resolution addressing the specifics of Pin Oak Townships participation in the Enterprise Zone. Tim seconded. Seth – Yay, Jack – Yay, Dennis – Nay, Tim Yay. Motion passed.
 - C. Next meeting is December 19, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.
 - D. No other New Business was discussed.
- 12. Executive Session was not needed.
- 13. Dennis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jack and everybody else seconded. Motion approved and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy L. Long, Clerk