

Township of Monee, in the County of Will, of the State of Illinois

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES-December 21, 2023

The scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Township of Monee was conducted on Thursday, December 21, 2023, at Monee Township Hall, 26121 S. Egyptian Trail, Monee, Illinois.

Board Members in Attendance: Supervisor Donna Dettbarn, Trustee Deborah Burgess, Trustee James W. Young, Trustee Terri L. Boles, Trustee Billy Morgan, and Clerk Bobby Lathan.

Board Member Absent: None

Other Elected/Appointed Township Officials in Attendance: Highway Commissioner David Deutsche and Collector Ronald Poindexter.

Attorney: Mario Carlasare

Administrator: Willa Simmons

Members of the Public in Attendance: None

Press: None

Supervisor Dettbarn called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

The assembly recited the pledge to the Flag prior to the commencement of the Meeting.

Section 1: Minutes

Minutes for the Scheduled Meeting of November 16, 2023, were approved as written. Motioned by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Young.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Burgess, Young, Boles, Morgan, and Dettbarn

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

Section 2: Public Comments

None

Section 3: Supervisor's Report:

- General Assistance
 - Report for November 10, 2023, through December 13, 2023
 - Intakes-21: Applications-10: Received Flat Grant-0: Received Other Aid-0: Pantry-26 Denied-5: Pending-6: Terminated-0
 - Total Number on General Assistance-1
 - Total Amount for General Assistance (GA)- \$ 425.00
 - Total Amount for Emergency Assistance (EA)-\$ 5,876.11
 - Total Amount for GA and EA- \$ 6,301.11
 - The Senior Brunch on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at Cardinal Creek Country Club in Beecher, Illinois went well.
 - Thank-you letters from Northern Illinois Food Bank and the Will County Center for Community Concerns. The letters thanked the Township for supporting their organization.
 - Grant Update: There is \$49,000.00 left from Grant. Some of the grant money has been used for Youth Program.
 - Chairs Update: Conference Table Chairs and deposit have been returned.
 - Santa Sack Program: 125 Residential and 8 migrant Families were served.
 - Employee Manual Update: Supervisor Dettbarn is working to update the Employee Manual for the Township to include language allowing Workers to accrue paid leave time in a 12-month period. This update is due to an Illinois State Law starting January 1, 2024.
 - Township Audit: Not completed yet, Auditors have filed for extension.

Section 4: Clerk's Report

- Filed Township and Road District Levies with the County Clerk's Office on November 29, 2023
- Submitted the List of Filer for the Township which must complete the Statement of Economic Interest to County Clerk's Office.

Section 5: Highway Commissioner's Report:

- Salt Trucks out twice. Because of the freezing temperatures, bridges were bad.
- Highland Bridge repairs are scheduled to start in April 2024 and to be completed by May 17, 2024

Section 6: Assessor's Report.

- None.

Section 7: Attorney's Report

- Early December Court dates for Tax Cases continued to January 16, 2024.

- LSP University Park LLC settlement agreements for Township and Road District were completed.

Section 8: Standing Committee/Commission Report

Township Plan Commission Report:

- None

Section 9: New Business

The Board approved 2024 Meeting dates and Holidays. Motioned by Trustee Boles and seconded by Trustee Burgess

Roll Call:

Ayes: Burgess, Young, Boles, Morgan, Dettbarn

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

The Board approved a Social Service Agreement with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for \$1,500.00 Motioned by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Young.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Burgess, Young, Boles, Morgan, Dettbarn

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

The Board approved a Social Service Agreement with Will Grundy Medical Clinic for \$1,250.00 Motioned by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Morgan.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Burgess, Young, Boles, Morgan, Dettbarn

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

The Board approved a Social Service Agreement with Mud Dog Baseball for \$2,000.00 Motioned by Trustee Young and seconded by Trustee Morgan.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Burgess, Young, Boles, Morgan, Dettbarn

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

Newsletter Deadline Thursday, December 28, 2023.

The Board approved payment of \$4,081.62 for Will Ride Program (July 2023 \$1,863.42 and August 2023 \$2,218.20). Motioned by Trustee Morgan and seconded by Trustee Boles.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Burgess, Young, Boles, Morgan, Dettbarn

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

. The Board approved to hire Dan Pohrte as Architect to survey project for Township Building Renovation. Motioned by Trustee Morgan and seconded by Trustee Boles.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Burgess, Young, Boles, Morgan, Dettbarn

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

Section 10: Old Business

Youth Committee

A 6-week program will begin on Thursday February 8, 2024. The Program will be same format as before and at same location, Coretta Scott King. A different teacher will be instructing Robotics, and the day has changed to Thursdays from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

Section 11: Trustee Audit of Accounts/Clerk Certification Audit

The Board approved the payment of the bills as presented for the period of **November 17, 2023, through December 21, 2023**. Motioned by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Boles.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Burgess, Young, Boles, Morgan, Dettbarn

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

Section 12: Board Comments

Supervisor Dettbarn thanked the Administrative Staff, Willa Simmons, Shirley Lathan, Ruth, Marcukaitis, The Highway Commissioner group and volunteers that put in all the extra work for the Holiday season (Thanksgiving and Christmas) to serve the residents of Monee Township, as well as some Migrants.

Adjournment:

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m. Motioned by Trustee Boles and seconded by Trustee Burgess.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Burgess, Young, Boles, Morgan, Dettbarn

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED,5-0

Respectfully submitted for Approval



Bobby R. Lathan Sr.
Monee Township Clerk

REVIEWED AND APPROVED THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2024