

**SOUTH MOLINE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

January 17, 2023

PRESENT — Greg Aguilar, Supervisor; Andrea Anderson, Trustee; Howard Gripp, Trustee; Bob Schultz, Trustee; Nick Vyncke, Clerk; Mark Lundahl, Road Commissioner and Rick Mellinger, Assessor. Absent – Brian Forsberg, Trustee. Todd DeVolder, of Sexton Ford, was present for a portion of the meeting.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER — Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Supervisor Aguilar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES — Motion by Anderson, second by Gripp, that we approve the minutes of January 4, 2023. Motion carried, with all voting in favor.

OFFICIALS' REPORTS —

- a. **Road Commissioner** — There was one bid received for the new truck. The dollar amount for the bid was \$31,641. There were no other bids. The truck is awarded to Rex Pauley of Sexton Ford.

The budget is being prepared. Lundahl stated that he and Aguilar are on the same page. They would like to clean up some line items and change others. There are no big projected expenses. Schultz believes there may be something, due to past experiences in the position. Expenses are up and many projects are pushed back for the time being.

- b. **Assessor** — Mellinger expects small changes to the budget, but nothing major. Schultz asked if the valuations are going to go down in the near future. Mellinger confirmed the process and explained how it moves slower than present day numbers. He specified that it goes by the previous two years of valuations. Schultz stated that the board may need time to recover if the levy goes down. Mellinger confirmed that the changes that would impact the township would have time to be corrected based on the timing of assessed values. In other words, there would be time to change the levy before an issue arose.
- c. **Clerk** — Information gathered for Statement of Economic Interests will be sent to the county. The specific individuals needing to complete this should see it in the mail in the coming weeks.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS —

- a. **Road and Bridge Transfer** - Transfer of Appropriation for new truck. Anderson made a motion to move \$13,000 from the Building Fund to the Vehicle Fund. Schultz seconded the motion. Lundahl confirmed that the money in the line item it is taken from will be replenished at the beginning of the fiscal year. All voted in favor, motion carried.
- b. **Lot Sale** - Schultz had some questions pertaining to the sale of the lot. He read the law he came across aloud. He explained his understanding of the text saying the electors should have a say before the lot is sold. He continued by saying there are other tasks that he believes are missing for this to be done properly and legally. Aguilar was confident that the attorney would not tell him to proceed if there was something missing. There was some

discussion among the board. Aguilar once again stated that he believes the attorney has looked into the requirements and has confidence in the board's ability to sell the land. Aguilar made a motion to open discussion and then vote to approve the sale of the land in question. Anderson seconded the motion. More discussion ensued. Aguilar mentioned that he will try to obtain a signature from the attorney stating that the sale is legal.

Roll Call Result:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Aguilar	X	
Anderson	X	
Gripp	X	
Schultz		X

The vote was 3-1 in favor. The offer was accepted.

Motion passed on the condition that the attorney signs off, confirming the legality of the sale.

NEW BUSINESS —

Preliminary Budget - Aguilar wants to increase amounts in the Youth and Senior Food line items. The board agreed. Schultz believes people should be served and would like to increase various items to allow more for people. Aguilar continued by saying he would like to add some sort of Veteran Assistance line item. One idea suggested would be using the Senior Center as a gathering location or place to provide physical therapy. The Senior Center staff would manage and possibly allow various activities to provide for veterans. This would also create the need to hire another part-time employee for the Senior Center. Aguilar also wants to increase the Senior Center building fund. Every other budget item should stay the same. It was suggested by the accountant that the board add a Capital Improvement Fund. This helps the board organize and decreases the chance of drawing the state's attention for having too much capital.

MEETINGS & EDUCATION —

Next Board Meeting: February 7, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.
South Moline Township Hall, 2521 53rd Street, Moline, IL

TRUSTEES APPROVAL OF BILLS BY FUNDS —

- a. TOWN FUND
 1. TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION — Motion by Anderson for approval; second by Schultz. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.
 2. ASSESSOR — Motion by Schultz for approval; second by Gripp. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.
 3. TOWNSHIP SENIOR CENTER — Motion by Gripp for approval; second by Anderson. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- b. TOWN FUND — FICA — Motion by Anderson for approval; second by Schultz. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- c. TOWN FUND — IMRF — Motion by Schultz for approval; second by Gripp. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.

- d. GENERAL ASSISTANCE — Motion by Gripp for approval; second by Anderson. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- e. ROAD & BRIDGE / GENERAL FUND — Motion by Anderson for approval; second by Schultz. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- f. ROAD & BRIDGE / IMRF FUND — Motion by Schultz for approval; second by Gripp. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- g. ROAD & BRIDGE / FICA FUND — Motion by Gripp for approval; second by Anderson. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- h. ROAD & BRIDGE / EQUIPMENT & BLDG — Motion by Anderson for approval; second by Schultz. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- i. ROAD & BRIDGE / INSURANCE FUND — Motion by Schultz for approval; second by Gripp. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- j. CEMETERY — Motion by Gripp for approval; second by Anderson. Ayes: Anderson, Schultz, Gripp and Aguilar. Unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT — Motion by Gripp, second by Anderson, that we adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, with all voting in favor. Meeting adjourned @ 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas “Nick” Vyncke
South Moline Township Clerk