

Sycamore Township  
DeKalb County  
State of Illinois

Minutes from June 13, 2023

The regular meeting of the Sycamore Township was held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was taken. Board members present were Township Supervisor Amy Mathey, Trustees Russ Josh, Ellen Rogers and George Diedrich. Also present were Township Clerk Kathy Lampkins, Township Assessor Kevin Schnetzler and Township Highway Commissioner Bill Powers.

A motion to approve the minutes from the May 9, 2023 meeting was made by Russ Josh. The motion was seconded by Amy Mathey. Motion carried.

Public Comment – None.

Approval of the Financial Reports/Balance Sheet – George Diedrich made a motion to approve the treasurer’s financial reports. Amy Mathey seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote: Amy Mathey, yes; Russ Josh, yes; Ellen Rogers, yes; George Diedrich, yes.

Audit and Authorization of Expenditures – The following Town expenditures were authorized for payment:

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|-------------------------|--------------|
| Town                    | \$ 34,183.18 |
| IMRF Fund               | \$ 1,100.24  |
| General Assistance Fund | \$ 3,450.00  |
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| Total Town Bills        | \$ 38,733.42 |

Russ Josh made a motion to authorize the town expenditures. George Diedrich seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote, Russ Josh, yes; George Diedrich, yes; Amy Mathey, yes; Ellen Rogers, yes.

Audit and Authorization of Expenditures - The following Road expenditures were authorized for payment:

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|----------------------|--------------|
| General Road Fund    | \$ 21,927.01 |
| Insurance            | \$ 0         |
| IMRF Fund            | \$ 578.02    |
| Social Security Fund | \$ 770.37    |
| Permanent Road Fund  | \$ 20,350.24 |
| Joint Bridge Fund    | \$ 0         |
| Building & Equipment | \$ 0         |
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| Total Road Bills     | \$ 43,625.64 |

Russ Josh made a motion to authorize the road expenditures. George Diedrich seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote, Russ Josh, yes; George Diedrich, yes; Amy Mathey, yes; Ellen Rogers, yes.

Assessor’s Report – Kevin Schnetzler reported that he turned in the assessment workbook to the County Assessor’s Office.

Highway Commissioner's Report – Bill Powers said all the paving, striping and shouldering are done. Bill reported they will be working on field entrances and replacing some culverts. Bill noted the first mowing has been completed.

Supervisors Report – Amy Mathey reported there is 1 General Assistance client. Amy does not have the number of residents in the nursing home as the DeKalb County nursing home faxed a bill with residents' names that are not from Sycamore Township. Amy said she is awaiting a corrected invoice from the nursing home. Amy thought she might receive this month's billing as well as last month's billing. Amy reported the recycle event held on June 10 went very well. Amy said people were so appreciative. Amy noted that the auditors will be in the township office on Thursday and Friday, June 15 and 16. Amy explained a couple of FOIA requests that she has received recently. A discussion ensued.

Trustees Report – None.

New Business – Amy Mathey said they have 60 days to replace John Ward. John Ward passed away on June 1, 2023. A discussion ensued.

Unfinished Business – Amy Mathey said there were 12 applicants for Social Service Grants. A discussion ensued on the distribution of funds. George Diedrich made a motion for the following social service grants for 2023:

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|-----------------------|-------------|
| CASA                  | \$ 2,500.00 |
| Kishwaukee YMCA       | \$ 3,000.00 |
| Four C Childcare      | \$ 3,000.00 |
| Hope Haven            | \$ 4,500.00 |
| VAC                   | \$18,000.00 |
| Family Service Agency | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Elder Care Services   | \$ 2,500.00 |
| Safe Passage          | \$ 1,500.00 |
| Opportunity House     | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Alano Club            | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Salem Food Pantry     | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Goodfellows           | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Reserved Amount       | \$ 4,000.00 |
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| TOTAL                 | \$45,000.00 |

Russ Josh seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote: Russ Josh, yes; Amy Mathey, yes; George Diedrich, yes; Ellen Rogers, abstain.

Executive Session – Not needed.

Russ Josh made a motion to adjourn at 6:44 p.m. George Diedrich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Sycamore Township office. The Decennial Committee will meet following the regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kathy Lampkins*  
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Township Clerk