

Sycamore Township
DeKalb County
State of Illinois

Minutes from January 9, 2024

The regular meeting of the Sycamore Township was held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024. 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, Terri Lozier, Jim Holliday and George Diedrich. Also present were Township Clerk Kathy Lampkins and Township Assessor Kevin Schnetzler.

A motion to approve the minutes from the December 12, 2023 meeting was made by George Diedrich. The motion was seconded by Russ Josh. Motion carried.

Public Comment – None.

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

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

Town	\$ 37,748.72
IMRF Fund	\$ 1,107.74
General Assistance Fund	\$ 0
Total Town Bills	\$ 38,856.46

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

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

General Road Fund	\$ 9,181.74
Insurance	\$.75
IMRF Fund	\$ 544.16
Social Security Fund	\$ 731.96
Permanent Road Fund	\$ 28,366.92
Joint Bridge Fund	\$ 0
Building & Equipment	\$ 161.65
Total Road Bills	\$ 38,987.18

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

Assessor's Report – Kevin reported that he viewed new construction as of January 1, 2024. Kevin said there were 12 Board of Review complaints in 2023, compared to 24 in 2022. Kevin noted he attended the Annual Assessor's Meeting on December 8, 2023. Kevin said he and Rachel have been updating property record cards with new assessed values.

Highway Commissioner's Report – Due to the snowstorm and ice, Bill Powers was unable to attend.

Supervisors Report – Amy Mathey reported there are no General Assistance clients and 16 residents in the nursing home. Amy said we finally received the July invoice from the DeKalb County Nursing Home and that the December invoice was incorrect. Amy reported that she will be attending two two-hour training sessions on W-2's and 1099's on January 9 and 10.

Trustees Report – None.

Unfinished Business – None.

New Business – Amy Mathey reported that she was contacted by the Spartan Food Pantry asking for a donation. A discussion ensued. Russ Josh made a motion to send the Spartan Food Pantry \$1,000.00. Terri Lozier seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote, Terri Lozier, yes; George Diedrich, yes; Amy Mathey, yes; Jim Holliday, yes; Russ Josh, yes. A discussion ensued regarding the Paid Leave for All Workers Act (820 ILCS 192/). Amy Mathey made a motion to approve, pending a legal review, the Paid Leave for All Workers Act. The motion was seconded by George Diedrich. Motion carried. Amy said that next month we will discuss the proposed budgets for both the Town and the Road.

Executive Session – Not needed.

Russ Josh made a motion to adjourn at 6:23 p.m. Amy Mathey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Sycamore Township office.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Lampkins
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Township Clerk