

**The adjourned meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Stookey
Saint Clair County, Illinois
Regular Meeting**

July 3rd 2023

Meeting held at 313 Eiler Road, Belleville, Illinois 62223

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Supervisor M. Bagby. An official roll call was taken by Clerk F. Garner. Trustee D. Weaver was absent. All other elected officials were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor M. Bagby.

Discussion and Approval of Minutes

The Board of Trustees had reviewed the June 5, 2023 regular meeting minutes.

Motion: Trustee R. Stookey 2nd: Trustee A. Scharf

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

The Board of Trustees reviewed the June 30, 2023 public bid opening minutes.

Motion: Trustee R. Stookey 2nd: Trustee J. Lougeay

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

Discussion and Approval of Bills

The Board of Trustees had reviewed the monthly billing statements.

Motion: Trustee R. Stookey 2nd: Trustee A. Scharf

Discussion: Trustee J. Lougeay questioned a labor charge performed on a Highway Department tractor.

Vote: All voted yes

A portion of the monthly bills had been recently received which the Board of Trustees also reviewed.

Motion: Trustee J. Lougeay 2nd: Trustee R. Stookey

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

Public Participation

Mr. Todd Horn mentioned the fact he had seen Trustee D. Weaver multiple times in Stookey Park even though he had been ordered by the Board of Trustees not to set foot on Township property. Mr. Horn also stated, he believed the Township should look into adding a video monitoring system for office staff safety purposes.

Mr. Rick Poole thanked Highway Commissioner B. Reed for work his team had recently performed.

Recognition of Stookey Standouts

American Legion Post 1255, The Quail Club, Trevor & Samantha Friedman, John & Marlene Kostelac, and Gryzmala II LLC were all recognized for their outstanding property maintenance and appearance.

Committee Reports

- **Parks & Rec (Supervisor M. Bagby)**

There had not been a June meeting. A July meeting was being planned. Committee members were working on receiving bids for both a utility shed and a park pavilion.

- **Law Enforcement (Trustee J. Lougeay)**

The committee had not had a meeting during the month of June. Planning to meet with the County Sheriff and department leadership to discuss Township use of a radar speed sign was underway.

- **Lighting & Zoning (Trustee A. Scharf)**

The committee had recently met. There had been no recent requests for additional streetlights. The committee had received unofficial information suggesting some derelict housing would be demolished. Requests had been made to the Saint Clair County Highway Department for mowing and bridge repair.

Highway Commissioner's Report

The department had recently been dealing with downed tree limbs due to a recent storm. The department had received a new street sweeper. A training crew was scheduled to arrive from California July 6th to assist the Highway Department Crew. Preparation work for street repair continued. The Pecan Lane project had been completed. The Smalling Court and the Ogles sections were scheduled for repair. Bidding for the project would be forthcoming. The projects were projected to cost approximately \$270,000.

Supervisor's Report

Bids had been received for a Township wide trash hauling provider. The Town Hall had been opened as a cooling shelter to residents due to the summer heat. A number of residents had taken advantage of the service. The Ogles neighborhood had recently performed a trash pickup. A number of kids had helped with the projects. State bidding amount requirements had been raised to \$30,000. Talks had begun between Saint Clair County, Stookey Township and School District #175 to add a crosswalk and repairs to the railroad crossing on 74th street. A \$250,000 grant to assist with the project was being pursued.

Discussion and Approval of Stookey Standouts

Nominees for Stookey Standout recognition for the month of July were Mr. Swartz & Mr. Vasquez of Carson Drive, First Christian Church, Ian & Dina Thurlow, Larry & Bonnie Kaffer, and Sigman Heating & Cooling.

Motion: Trustee J. Lougeay **2nd**: Supervisor M. Bagby

Discussion: Trustee A. Scharf stated he was low on Stookey Standout signs.

Vote: All voted yes

Discussion of Trash RFP

A bid opening for a trash hauler request for proposal had taken place on June 30th. Both Aspen and Republic Services sent in bids. The decision was made to schedule a special meeting to

decide which hauler would be offered a contract by the Board of Trustees.

Closed/Executive Session

The Board of Trustees voted to leave regular session at 6:47 pm.

Motion: Trustee R. Stookey **2nd**: Trustee A. Scharf

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

The Board of Trustees voted to re-enter regular session at 7:46 pm.

Motion: Trustee R. Stookey **2nd**: Trustee J. Lougeay

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

Adjournment

Supervisor M. Bagby requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46.

Motion: Trustee J. Lougeay **2nd**: Supervisor M. Bagby

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes