

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

Regular Meeting

September 3rd 2024

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. Assessor S. Sieron, Trustee R. Stookey and Trustee D. Weaver were absent. Commissioner B. Reed, Supervisor M. Bagby, Clerk F. Garner, Trustee A. Scharf and Trustee J. Lougeay were all present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor M. Bagby.

Discussion and Approval of Minutes

The Board of Trustees reviewed the August 5, 2024 regular meeting minutes.

Motion: Trustee A. Scharf **2nd:** Supervisor M. Bagby

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

Discussion and Approval to move \$6,000 from Sewer Budget 52-720 to 52-710

A transfer was needed to move funds from interest to principal.

Motion: Trustee A. Scharf **2nd:** Trustee J. Lougeay

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

Discussion and Approval of Bills

The Board of Trustees reviewed the monthly billing statements.

Motion: Trustee J. Lougeay **2nd:** Trustee A. Scharf

Discussion: Trustee J. Lougeay questioned various Park Capital, Town, Park Maintenance and Sewer Fund billing statements.

Vote: All voted yes

A portion of the bills were received late

Motion: Trustee J. Lougeay **2nd:** Trustee A. Scharf

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

Recognition of August Stookey Standouts

Terricina & Larry Boyd were recognized for their exceptionally well-kept property.

Public Participation

Mr. William Thorpe expressed how unhappy he was with Stookey Township's trash pickup policy.

Supervisor M. Bagby read verbatim an email sent from Mr. Brian Triska regarding a mudslide issue near his home.

Committee Reports

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

Mr. Vance Vyers has stepped down as the chair of the Parks Committee. Mr. Brad Dearborn has been chosen as the new committee chairman. The committee was contacted with a proposal to have a new Eagle Scout project added to Stookey Park. The Heros Plaza monuments should be arriving soon. The Khoury League building in Stookey Athletic Park is due to be burned by the Fire Department September 28th. An Emge fall festival, and a movie night event are scheduled to be held in Stookey Park during the month of October.

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

The committee did not meet during the month of August. A request was approved to have the radar speed sign mounted in the Villa Hills Neighborhood.

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

The committee did meet. Trustee A. Scharf urged attendees and residents to notify the committee of possible zoning violations in their neighborhoods. A list of violations would be compiled and given to the Saint Clair County Sheriff's Department.

Highway Commissioner's Report

The Highway had recently completed a street resurfacing project in the Villa Hills Neighborhood. The Department has created a list for each neighborhood to be resurfaced on a rolling schedule. Both lawnmowers are currently being repaired. There is a list of smaller street repair projects the Highway Department is currently working to complete. An emergency repair project was completed in conjunction with Hank's Excavating on Westchester Drive. An engineering study is currently underway to make repairs to the Villa Hills Drive Bridge.

Supervisor's Report

Pavilions in Stookey Park have seen regular use. Stookey Township has generated more than \$320,000 in investments income over the past 3 years. A new air conditioning unit will need to be purchased at the Township office. Saint Clair County has notified Stookey Township that we are ineligible to receive disaster relief funds following the July flooding.

Discussion and Approval of September Stookey Standouts

Susan Lovinggood & David Duncan, Lee Kellum, Janice Donaldson, Rodney & Tribian Jones, Donald Zalders, Garry & Mary Kempf, James Richardson, Villa Hills Baptist Church and the Debbie Fults Family were all nominated for recognition.

Motion: Trustee J. Lougeay **2nd:** Trustee A. Scharf

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

Discussion and Approval of Supervisor's Bond for Road Bond

A surety bond is required to be held by the person handling the Road Bond funds. The Supervisor is also the Treasurer for the Town of Stookey. The cost of renewal is \$262.

Motion: Trustee J. Lougeay **2nd:** Trustee A. Scharf

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

Discussion and Approval of Election Conformity Policy

A policy was established to define the responsibilities of Stookey Township Officials regarding the filing of election documents for the April 1, 2025 consolidated election.

Motion: Trustee A. Scharf **2nd:** Trustee J. Lougeay

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

Closed/Executive Session

The Board of Trustees voted to leave open session 6:56 pm

Motion: Trustee J. Lougeay **2nd:** Trustee A. Scharf

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

The Board of Trustees voted to reenter open session at 7:34 pm.

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

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes

Adjournment

The Board of Trustees voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 pm.

Motion: Trustee J. Lougeay **2nd:** Trustee A. Scharf

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted yes