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

Regular Meeting

August 3rd 2026

313 Eiler Road, Belleville, Illinois 62223

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Supervisor M. Bagby. Present at the meeting were Trustees J. Goelz, A. Whyte, A. Scharf, Commissioner B. Reed, Supervisor M. Bagby and Clerk F. Garner. Trustee B. Lego was absent.

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

Discussion and Approval of Minutes

The Board of Trustees reviewed both the July 6, 2026 Stookey Park NFP and Regular Meeting minutes, as well as the July 17, 2026 Special Meeting minutes.

Motion: Trustee J. Goelz **2nd**: Trustee A. Whyte

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

Discussion and Approval of Bills

The Board of Trustees reviewed the monthly billing statements.

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

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

Discussion and Approval of Delayed Bills

A portion of the monthly bills were received late.

Motion: Trustee A. Whyte **2nd**: Trustee J. Goelz

Discussion: None

Vote: Trustee A. Scharf voted no. All others voted aye. The motion carried.

Public Participation

Mr. Jim Lougeay asked questions regarding Sewer, Park Maintenance and Highway Department spending.

Committee Reports

Parks and Rec (Trustee A. Whyte)

The committee did meet. The current focus has been on fundraisers.

Law Enforcement (Trustee B. Lego *Written Statement*)

The committee has been in contact with the Saint Clair County Sheriff's Office regarding dogs.

Lighting and Zoning (Trustee A. Scharf)

The committee did meet. The committee is discussing the possibility of establishing a code enforcement officer, employed by Saint Clair County to focus on Stookey Township for a minimum of one day per week.

Highway Commissioner's Report

The Highway Department has been working on street resurfacing in various neighborhoods throughout Stookey Township. Dumping has been an issues the rural areas. Lawyers are still in court regarding the Monroe County Electric Company issue on Zingg Road.

Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Bagby has been working on proposals for various park grant opportunities. The finance committee met to discuss banking and investment policy. There were two breaking and entering/theft incidents at the Sewer Department solar field. Security has been increased to deal with the problem.

Discussion and Approval of July Stookey Standouts

Jim & Rici Lougeay were nominated by the Stookey Township Highway Department.

Motion: Trustee J. Goelz **2nd**: Trustee A. Whyte

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

Discussion and Approval of Voltus Power Agreement

The Voltus company offers services where power generation can be utilized in times of power blackouts. The company requires a once-per-year test with no costs associated.

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

Discussion: Trustee Whyte asked if the motion was to sign on with Voltus or just to negotiate an agreement. Supervisor Bagby stated the motion was to begin negotiations.

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

Discussion and Approval Township Finance Policy

The Finance Committee has updated our investment policy to comply with Illinois laws regarding issues of finance.

Motion: Trustee J. Goelz **2nd**: Trustee A. Whyte

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

Discussion and Approval of Park Grant Resolutions

The Board of Trustees voted to pass Resolutions 2026-010A

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

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

The Board of Trustees voted to pass Resolutions 2026-010B

Motion: Trustee A. Whyte **2nd**: Trustee J. Goelz

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

Discussion and Approval of Purchase of Zero-turn Mower

23 bids were received for various makes and models. The Parks and Rec Committee recommendation was for a Hustler model Z.

Motion: Trustee J. Goelz **2nd**: Trustee A. Whyte

Discussion: Trustee J. Goelz asked if the dealer was interested in a trade-in for Stookey's current mower. Supervisor Bagby stated no. Trustee Scharf asked which dealer the mower was being purchased from. Supervisor Bagby stated Hartmann Turf & Tractor gave the best deal.

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

Discussion and Approval of Annual Audit

Fick, Eggemeyer & Williamson completed the yearly audit.

Motion: Trustee J. Goelz **2nd**: Trustee A. Whyte

Discussion: Trustee A. Scharf stated he objects to the auditing firm's policy of not stating the name of the person who completed the audit.

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

Closed/Executive Session

The Board of Trustees voted to leave open session at 7:02 pm.

Motion: Trustee J. Goelz **2nd**: Trustee A. Whyte

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

The Board of Trustees voted to reenter open session at 7:21 pm.

Motion: Trustee J. Goelz **2nd**: Trustee A. Whyte

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.

Adjournment

The Board of Trustees voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 pm.

Motion: Trustee J. Goelz **2nd**: Trustee A. Whyte

Discussion: None

Vote: All voted aye. The motion carried.