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The regular monthly meeting of the highway commissioners of the State of Illinois, County of St. Clair, and Township of Prairie Du Long was held in the office of the town clerk at the Prairie Du Long Township Office Building on July 09, 2024 at 7:30 P.M.

Supervisor Mike Karban called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Mike Karban, Township Supervisor, presided over the meeting. Trustees John Kaiser, Tim Lubenkov, Kyle Row, Dean Skaer, Road Commissioner Gilbert Birkner and Township Clerk Dana Mehrmann were present.

Supervisor Karban asked the Clerk to read the minutes from the previous meeting. Mr. Karban asked for questions or comments regarding the minutes. John Kaiser motioned to accept the minutes as read. Tim Lubenkov seconded the motion. Motion PASSED.

Six (6) guests attended the meeting.

The bills against the Township were presented by the Supervisor, reviewed by the trustees and paid.

The bills against the Road District prepared by the Road Commissioner were presented by the Supervisor, discussed and paid.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

- General Assistance Insurance was renewed from Allied, however, it did increase in price by \$700.
- The Veterans Property Tax Reimbursement Pilot Programs were received. The Town received \$1,734.00 and the Road received \$5,780.00.
- There is no update as of yet on the possible hail damage on the building.
- The township received the first tax distribution on July 5. The Town received \$5,296.37 and the Road District received \$20,336.09.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

- Commissioner Birkner reported that the roads have been bleeding more than usual from last year's oiling efforts to now.
- Road oiling has begun, however, the first day was cut short due to rain so an additional date will likely be added.
- The new truck's bed is delayed until closer to September due to a manufacturing tool in need of parts.
- Salt bids came in and the price will be \$68.50 per ton.

CLERK'S REPORT

The Township's annual audit was completed and no deficiencies or discrepancies were found. A motion
was made by Tim Lubenkov to accept the 2024 Annual Financial Report. Kyle Row seconded the motion,
MOTION PASSED.

OTHER REPORTS

Unfinished Business:

None

Under new business:

None

Public Comment:

- Mike Tullock requested confirmation that progress will continue on Live Oak even though the White Oak efforts are going to be pushed back. Mr. Birkner confirmed that \$50,000-\$60,000 will be put towards the concrete on Live Oak as we wait on the future of White Oak. His intent is to put forth that same amount in each year to come, but can guarantee nothing past the election year.
- An inquiry was relayed about how the splitting of roads is established between the Village of Smithton and the Township. Mr. Birkner explained that when property is annexed into the Village, then the Village is responsible for the maintenance of the road as well. A follow up question was why is Live Oak is half blacktop and half concrete if it is all cared for by the Township and it is due to the decision of the contractor/developer.
- A request was made for an update on the retaining wall that needs to be addressed in Wildwood. Gilbert is still exploring options but is considering larger concrete blocks but plans to reach onto Sonnenberg for input.

There being no other business to be conducted a motion to adjourn was made by Dean Skaer. Kyle Row seconded the motion. Motion PASSED.

Respectfully submitted, Dana Mehrmann, Township Clerk

Mike Karban, Supervisor

Kyle Røw, Trustee

Dean Skaer, Trustee