

## **PRAIRIE DuLONG TOWNSHIP**

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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 August 12, 2025 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, Douglas Hynes, Philip Lippert, 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. Tim Lubenkov motioned to accept the minutes as read. Philip Lippert seconded the motion. Motion PASSED.

Three (3) guests attended the meeting.

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

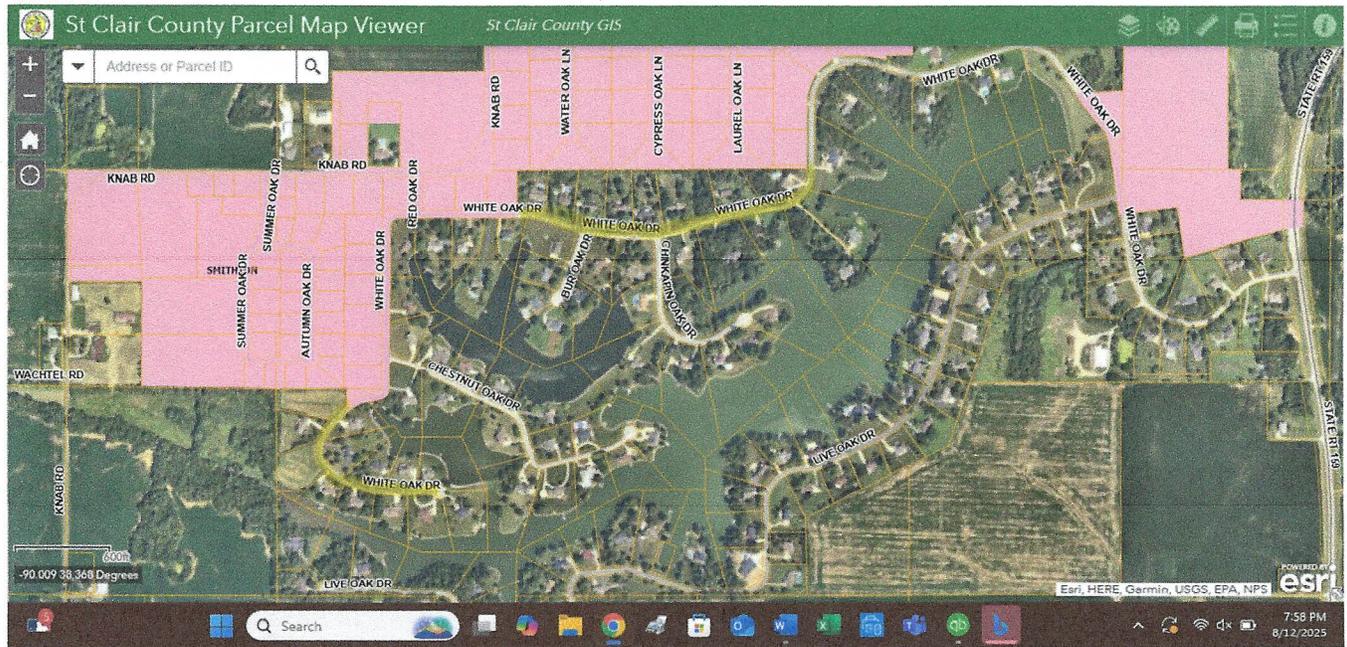
The bills against the Road District prepared by the Road Commissioner were presented by the Supervisor, discussed and paid.

### **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

- Mr. Karban received the second and third 2024 Tax Distribution checks. On July 18, the Road received \$30,508.43 while the Town received \$7,579.53. On August 1, the Road received \$33,066.33 (bringing the total to date \$91,032.76) and the Town received \$8,215 (total to date \$22,615.89).
- The Town received the TOI Dues Invoice and noted that the amount is based on population valuations.
- Lastly, Mike shared that Progressive Grange is having a dinner for anyone interested on August 17.

### **HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

- Concrete bill will most likely be close to \$27,000 for the work being done in Wildwood. Mr. Birkner added some feet to the original plan to maximize the amount that can be done while remaining below the \$30,000 threshold.
- Mr. Birkner attended the Village of Smithton's recent meeting where it was stated that they currently do not have the funds and have no intention of blacktopping their portion of White Oak Drive. They plan to continue oil and chipping their sections of White Oak Drive
- Three bids were received for the blacktopping project on White Oak. Bids ranged from \$183,419 to \$253,000. Commissioner Birkner plans to proceed with Killian Corporation and with engineering the total cost will be approximately \$190,000 and asked for a motion to accept. Included in the minutes is a map indicating what portion(s) will be completed of the .62 miles of work being completed.



John Kaiser made the motion to accept the bid by Killian Corporation. Tim Lubenkov seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED.

- The County Engineer came out and looked at the wall off of Live Oak but stated that the previous estimate seemed too high. Douglas Hynes provided some photos of its current condition and some research of two similar cases involving failing walls. Gilbert plans to meet with Hanks to create a plan moving forward.
- At the end of Yaeger Road, someone place a dumpster off the road but on the right away. Mr. Birkner plans to reach out to Reliable Sanitation to notify them that they have a dumpster on our right away so that it can be relocated.
- Road oiling is scheduled for September 2 and 3 using three tankers for each day.

#### CLERK'S REPORT

- Ms. Mehrmann stated that the audit seems to be running a little behind schedule based on the information that has been requested compared to the most recent years.

#### OTHER REPORTS

##### Unfinished Business:

- None.

##### Under new business:

- Mr. Hynes reminded that our host site has been taken over by a new company and suggested that passwords should be changed as a security precaution. He stated that a new tablet for Road use would cost between \$400-\$775 and provided an Internet Use Agreement for review (from the Department of Innovation and Technology) that we may want to consider adopting for employees to sign for when using Township owned technology/equipment.

**Public Comment:**

- Mike Tullock extended his gratitude for moving forward with the Township's portion of the work being done on White Oak Drive.

There being no other business to be conducted a motion to adjourn was made by Douglas Hynes. Philip Lippert seconded the motion. Motion PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dana Mehrmann, Township Clerk



Mike Karban, Supervisor



Dana Mehrmann, Township Clerk



John Kaiser, Trustee



Tim Lubenkov, Trustee



Philip Lippert, Trustee



Douglas Hynes, Trustee