

# Minutes - Board of Town Trustees

STATE OF ILLINOIS,  
Macon County, } ss.  
Town of Long Creek,

THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the office of the Town Clerk at 2610 Salem School Road on May 28, 2024,

PRESENT: Kevin Greenfield Supervisor  
Erin Valentine Town Clerk  
Mike Reynolds Town Trustee  
April Kostenski Town Trustee  
Melvin Fortner Town Trustee  
Town Trustee

Mr. Kevin R. Greenfield acting as chairperson and Erin J. Valentine as clerk. The following official business was transacted:

GUESTS PRESENT: Joe Jackson, Brad Paslay, Cheryl Smith

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:00 P.M. by Supervisor Greenfield. Mr. Greenfield led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Clerk Valentine called the roll which showed the following:

Mike Reynolds P  
Karen Kelly A  
April Kostenski P  
Melvin Fortner P  
Kevin Greenfield P  
SHOWED ALL PRESENT.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Mike Reynolds, 2<sup>nd</sup> April Kostenski to Approve Minutes of April 23, 24 Board Meeting as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED. Minutes Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS:

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

- Appointment of Fire District Trustee – Christopher Michael Schroth. Motion made by Mike Reynolds, 2<sup>nd</sup> by April Kostenski, with all present voting to approve the appointment of Christopher Schroth. Supervisor Greenfield said that Schroth will fill the trustee seat vacated with the resignation of Eric Mueller.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER Report: Commissioner Joe Jackson. Joe said it has been a wet month! Water has been in ditches and on streets that don't usually flood, he said. His crew has mowed some ditches that have tall grass; residents don't seem to be mowing ditches, Joe said. A few bad, dead trees have been taken down, and there's a lot of patching to be done before oil/chip, he said. People have been dumping large items at the township burn pile, and he's trying to keep up with burning when it can be done.

CEMETERY TRUSTEE REPORT: Please see written Report at end of Minutes. Cemetery meeting will be June 19, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT: - Water Superintendent Brad Paslay said he will miss Debby Fortner and Wayne Dotson when they retire in June. See written report at end of minutes.

TOWN CLERK REPORT: - Erin Valentine, Town Clerk, said with the help of VFW Auxiliary members and their families, flags were placed at veterans' graves at Point Pleasant Cemetery for Memorial Day weekend. She hopes to post the flags at all five township cemeteries next year. See written report at end of minutes.

SENIOR CITIZENS REPORT: Karen Kelly Senior Citizens Report. See written reports at end of Minutes.

OTHER: NONE

BILLS:

TOWN FUND: \$20,779.98

MOTION: Melvin Fortner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Reynolds to Approve.  
Roll Call:

Mike Reynolds	Y
Karen Kelly	A
April Kostenski	Y
Melvin Fortner	Y
Kevin Greenfield	Y

MOTION CARRIED.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: \$12,487.65

MOTION: April Kostenski, 2<sup>nd</sup> Melvin Fortner to approve by previous Roll Call Vote.  
MOTION CARRIED.

ROAD & BRIDGE INSURANCE FUND: \$12,301.38

MOTION: Mike Reynolds, 2<sup>nd</sup> April Kostenski to approve by previous Roll Call Vote.  
MOTION CARRIED.

CEMETERY FUND: \$10,880.38

MOTION: Melvin Fortner, 2<sup>nd</sup> April Kostenski to Approve by previous Roll Call Vote.  
MOTION CARRIED.

WATER O & M: \$255,441.60

MOTION: Mike Reynolds, 2<sup>nd</sup> April Kostenski to Approve by previous Roll Call Vote.  
MOTION CARRIED.

PAYROLL CLEARING FUND: \$73,785.19

MOTION: Melvin Fortner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Reynolds to Approve by previous Roll call vote.  
MOTION CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS: None

MOTION: Mike Reynolds, 2<sup>nd</sup> Melvin Fortner to Pay Operating Bills for next Month.  
MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION: Mike Reynolds, 2<sup>nd</sup> April Kostenski to adjourn meeting.  
MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted

*Erin J. Valentine*

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Township Clerk

## **Senior Citizens Report from Karen Kelly May 28, 2024**

Senior Account has \$863.89 as of May 28.

The May lunch featured WAND Meteorologist Anthony Peoples, who had a very informative program. Twenty-nine seniors attended.

The June lunch will have Mt. Zion District Library Director Ashley Batchelder, who will fill us in on the many programs and opportunities available at the library.

## **Town Clerk's Report May 28, 2024**

I attended the Macon County Township Officials meeting May 2 at Hickory Point Township, where County Clerk Josh Tanner updated us on the November 5 election. Primary turnout was only 15.6 percent, he said. By law, Tanner said that Macon County must have 192 election judges, and he had 193 at the March primary.

A new facility is being prepared at the former Millikin wrestling building south of the county building, where early voting will be held. Parking is on-site with 45 spaces and three handicapped spaces.

With the help of VFW Post 99 Auxiliary, flags were placed at veterans' graves at Point Pleasant Cemetery Saturday, May 25 and removed today. Thank you, Debby, for updating the veterans' list and printing a map of the cemetery.

I attended the May 15 Cemetery Board meeting, and helped with the May 9 Senior Potluck.

*Erin Valentine*

# Long Creek Township Water Department Report

May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024

- The water main extension for Prairie Grain Processors in Lake City has been completed and the Operating Permit obtained from the IEPA.
- Wayne and I have continued exploring areas near the plant to be used as a potential new well site.
- We have been upgrading the remaining meters in Route 21 (South Lake) to Zenner Meters.
- We continue to work on identifying customer service lines for our inventory.
- For the month of April, we pumped 10,471,200 finished gallons with an average daily usage of 349,040 gallons and a maximum of 533,100 gallons.

Submitted by,

*Bradley W. Paslay*

Water Superintendent

## May 28, 2024 Cemetery report

Last week we had a young man start helping since school is out. Tomorrow we are going to have another one to start. We even had some water guys help also. Thank you for helping us. We appreciate their help. Brad and his Dad always had the cemeteries looking great, we miss them.

The cemeteries should have looked better than they did.

Everyone has the bill list. Any questions?

Debby does a great job. We all will really miss her when she retires. Joanna does a great job. Laura is doing a great job also.

Next meeting is June 19, 2024.

*Cheryl A. Smith*

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