March 5, 2024

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Owen Township was held at the Owen Township Hall on March 5th, 2024.

The following Trustees were present:

Owen Bach, Supervisor
Jen Grady
Tom Lawson
Sid Moate
Mark Smith

The following other persons were present:
Susan Barnes, Township Clerk
Charles Barnes, Highway Commissioner
Dana Lemke, Township Assessor
James Hursh, Attorney
Joseph Goldsworthy, Member of public

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Supervisor Owen Bach. Prior meeting minutes were approved as submitted on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried.

The Supervisor called for public comment and no persons present wished to speak.

The Supervisor next called for financial business and after review of bills the Trustees, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, approved payment of the Township bills and on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, found the Road District bills to be in order.

*Amended Bills to Assessor's salary for February bills:

Trent Ferguson- \$552.72 Dana Lemke- \$2,114.95

*Amended Office Expenses for Assessor for February bills:

Trent Ferguson- \$93.10 Dana Lemke- \$356.90

The Supervisor next recognized Dana Lemke Township Assessor. She presented the Assessor's Budget for fiscal 2024. Assessor Lemke reported no change in the budget from last fiscal year, on motion duly made, seconded approval of and acceptance of the Assessor's Budget unanimously carried.

A short discussion was held concerning House Bill 5050. No one expects it to get anywhere.

Highway Commissioner reported the discussions continue regarding county roads and township road jurisdiction. Representative Cabello advised he is in support of the township positions. Owen was going to reach out to the local representatives to get their position on the matter.

There being no further business to come before the meeting. On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:10p.m.

THERE WILL BE AN EFFICIENCY MEETING HELD ON APRIL 2, 2024, AT 6:30PM FOLLOWED BY THE REGULAR MEETING ON April 2, 2024 at 7:00PM AT THE OWEN TOWNSHIP HALL, 4019 LATHAM ROAD, ROCKFORD, IL.