

SOMERFORD TOWNSHIP  
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James Moran, Chairman  
Ernest Sparks, Vice Chairman  
Keith O'Connor, Trustee

Amanda Knowles, Fiscal Officer  
Brian Knowles, Zoning Inspector  
Dave Jeffers, Cemetery Sexton

The Somerford Township Trustees met in a special session, as the regularly scheduled meeting was postponed, on Thursday, January 20, 2022 with the above members present. The meeting was called to order at 1900.

Amanda Knowles, Somerford Township Fiscal Officer, informs the Trustees that she is accepting nominations for Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board for the year 2022. Ernest Sparks nominates James Moran for the position of Chairman and Keith O'Connor seconds. Ms. Knowles takes roll call, no objections; Mr. Moran is the 2022 Chairman by acclamation. Mr. O'Connor then nominates Ernest Sparks as the Vice Chairman. Mr. Moran seconds, Ms. Knowles takes roll call, no objections and the motion is carried. Ms. Knowles also asked for a motion to accept Somerford Township not exceeding \$85,000 for medical insurance costs in 2022; Mr. Moran moves that this number be approved, Mr. Sparks seconds, roll call was taken and all in favor, motion is carried. Appointment to committees for 2021 will be as follows: Mr. Moran - Madison County Emergency Medical District and Sewer & Water Board, Mr. Sparks - Central Township Fire Board, Mr. O'Connor - Regional Planning Commission and Madison County Township Association.

Chairman Moran calls meeting to order and welcomes Keith as new Trustee and is looking forward to working together. Jimmie gives a rundown of Chairman, Vice Chairman and Trustee rolls. He also discusses different committees at this time. Mr. Moran also takes a moment to introduces Dave Jeffers, Cemetery Sexton, and Brian Knowles, Zoning Inspector, to Mr. O'Connor at this time and explains their roles with the Township.

Ms. Knowles then asks if everyone has reviewed the meeting minutes from the December 2021 meeting. They were read and approved by the Trustees at this time. The Somerford Trustees also reviewed and gave approval of the January 2022 payroll and bills at this time. Ms. Knowles reports that she still has not received her Original Certificate of Resources from the Madison County Auditor and therefore they will wait to review and approve the 2022 permanent appropriations until the next meeting. Ms. Knowles presents the Cash and Lieu Resolution that was sent to her by Frank Harmon and after discussion Vice Chairman Sparks makes motion for resolution of cash and Lieu. Chairman Moran seconds. Both are in favor and the resolution is passed. Ms. Knowles then moves onto the next resolution needing passed regarding the motion

carried last month regarding Markley road. A motion is made by Mr. O'Connor and a second by Mr. Sparks. A vote is taken, all in favor, and the resolution is passed at this time. Lastly, Ms. Knowles hands out two Bank Reconciliations for review and signatures.

Somerford Zoning Inspector, Brain Knowles, reports that he has been subpoenaed for the Bob Blake property on March 4, 2022. He will touch base with him Mr. Blake and continue to work with him. Mr. Knowles also reports that he has begun taking pictures to document the Ward property and that he will be reaching out to Mr. Ward again.

Dave Jeffers, Cemetery Sexton, reports that he had an issue with plowing here at the Township Building for EMS/Fire. The Trustees will collaborate with the EMS to find a solution and touch back on this topic.

Vice Chairman Spark reports that the last two zoning meetings were cancelled. He also attended the Fire Meeting last night where their officers were elected.

Chairman Jimmie Moran reports that he received a letter in regards to the sewer project informing that some people's systems aren't working properly. The Health Department is now involved and they will step in to help those residents fix the issues that are at hand until the new system is installed. Mr. Moran also reports that he attended the EMS Meeting and the topics of discussion included getting a new truck and also how the new levy won't give them any return until 2023.

Being no further business to be discussed at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 2008.

Respectfully submitted:

Amanda Knowles, Somerford Township Fiscal Officer

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James Moran, Chairman