

SOMERFORD TOWNSHIP  
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James Moran, Trustee	Amanda Knowles, Fiscal Officer
Bill Laney, Vice Chairman	Brian Knowles, Zoning Inspector
Ernest Sparks, Chairman	

The Somerford Township Trustees met in regular session on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at the Somerford Township Hall located at 91 St Rt 56 NW with the above members present. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Jaime Martin was in attendance. She wanted an update on the properties she spoke about at the last meeting. Zoning Inspector, Brian Knowles, informs Ms. Martin that the letters went out certified and the property owners have 30 days to respond. They have until July 12. Ms. Martin also asked if there was a sound ordinance in the Township? Vice Chairman Bill Laney states that there is not. The trustees tried to get one in place previously but it did not go through. Lastly, Ms. Martin stated that the property near her where the owner passed away did get cleaned up before their family's wedding reception and she appreciated that being done. Mr. Knowles is also speaking with the health department on the matter. Trustee Moran states that he will be in contact with the County Engineer to have new 'No Parking' signs placed in the alleyway.

Trustee James Moran states that there are actual prints set in place on the Somerford Sewer Project. They are aiming to start construction in the spring. They have hit some delays due to COVID-19. There is also going to be a plan put in place for some road work to get done over the next few years. He also reported that the cemetery has been running smoothly with no issues.

Vice Chairman Bill Laney reports that Chief Olwin of the Madison County Emergency Medical District will be retiring next year in 2021. Chief Bennington will fill the role part time.

Amanda Knowles, Somerford Township Fiscal Officer, then has the Trustees review the meeting minutes from the June, 2020 meeting. They are read and approved by the Trustees at this time. The Somerford Trustees reviewed and signed approval of the July 2020 payroll and bills. Two bank reconciliations are also reviewed and signed at this time.

Zoning Inspector Knowles then reports that he sent out four certified letters and all but one came back signed that they were received. They each have 30 days to respond to the letters which will be up next week. He will continue to follow up with each of these properties. Mr. Knowles reports that he spoke with Frank Ward again regarding his property and Mr. Ward has been under doctor's order to stay home due to his and his wife's health ailments during the COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Knowles stated that he understood the importance of his health but

that some progress needs to be made. An agreement was made that a certain number of cars would be removed each month. Mr. Knowles will be checking on this progress monthly.

Being no further business to be discussed at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Amanda Knowles, Somerford Township Fiscal Officer

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Ernest Sparks, Chairman