Erienna Township

Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 14th, 2026

Call to Order: Supervisor, Larry Rea, called the meeting to order at 6:23 p.m. on 4/14/26 at the Erienna Township Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was skipped as this meeting immediately followed the Annual Meeting with the same people present, and the Pledge was recited at its beginning.

Roll Call: Present: Supervisor, Larry Rea, Town Clerk Pete Brummel, Trustees: Tom Tesdal, Gary Bal, Jerry Kleinmaier, & Tom Cutler, Highway Commissioner, Mark Mann. No absentees.

Public Comment: Clara Bal from the public was in attendance.

Approval of the prior month's minutes: Mr. Rea distributed the March 2026 Meeting Minutes to the Trustees prior to the meeting. Mr. Bal moved to approve the minutes as presented; second by Mr. Cutler. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Financial Reports: Mr. Rea distributed the March 31, 2026 Financial Reports. He noted that March 31 was the end of the Township's fiscal year, and that both the Township and Road District showed positive Net Income for the fiscal year. Mr. Tesdal moved to approve the March 31, 2026 Financial Reports as presented; second by Mr. Bal. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Tesdal, Bal, Kleinmaier, Cutler, & Rea. Nayes: None. Motion Passed.

Bank Statements: Supervisor Rea distributed the March 31, 2026 Township and Road District Bank Statements. He indicated that 3 Certificates matured in March and were renewed for 6-months at 3.25%. Mr. Kleinmaier made a motion to accept the March 31st, 2026 Bank Statements; second by Mr. Cutler. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Tesdal, Bal, Kleinmaier, Cutler, & Rea. Nayes: None. Motion Passed.

	Checking:	CD:	Total:
Township Funds	$158,186.77	$52,540.40	$210,727.17
General Assistance Fund	$ 15,532.93	$17,067.46	$ 32,600.39
Heatherfield Grant	$ -	$ -	
Township Totals:	$ -	$ -	$243,327.56
Road District:			
General Road	$327,675.69	$ -	$327,675.69
Permanent Road Fund	$180,646.05	$56,749.83	$237,395.88
Joint Bridge Fund	$ 94,230.26	$28,353.31	$122,583.57
Insurance Fund	$ 12,807.86	$11,349.97	$ 24,157.83
Road District Totals:			$711,812.97
ALL FUNDS TOTALS:			$955,140.53

Approval of Bills:

Township Bills:

ACH – Tom Cutler	Per diem w/ 7.65% withheld	$ 184.70
ACH – Pete Brummel	Per diem w/ 7.65% withheld	$ 184.70
ACH – Tom Tesdal	Per diem w/ 7.65% withheld	$ 184.70
ACH – Jerry Kleinmaier	Per diem w/ 7.65% withheld	$ 184.70
ACH – Larry Rea	Per diem w/ 7.65% withheld	$ 184.70
ACH – Gary Bal	Per diem w/ 7.65% withheld	$ 184.70
Cheryl Vimarco	1st Qtr Hall Cleaning	$ 250.00
TORIMA (Deposit)	2025 Dividend	$ 301.00
Narvick Bros. Hardware	Padlock for Trailer	$ 17.52
D & I Electronics	1st Qtr Security Service	$ 206.94
ComEd	January '26 Electric Bill	$ 224.37
Township Supervisors of IL	Annual Dues	$ 30.00
Pete Brummel	4th Qtr Salary	$ 2,172.53
Larry Rea	4th Qtr Salary	$ 3,961.82
Debit – Arthur Agency	Web Page	$ 69.99
Menards	Cleaning Supplies	$ 9.74
Total Township Bills		$ 8,352.11

The April 2026 Township expenses were presented, reviewed, and signed by the Trustees. Mr. Tesdal made a motion to approve the April bills as presented; second by Mr. Bal. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Tesdal, Bal, Kleinmaier, Cutler, & Rea. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Road District Bills:

Com Ed	Dec '25 Electric Bill	$	22.56
TORIMA (Deposit)	2025 Dividend	$	1,009.00
Dibble Enterprises	Propane	$	1,137.02
Mark Mann	4th Qtr Salary	$	4,155.75
Debit – Republic Services	Dumpster	$	67.71
Larry Rea	Annual Treaserer Salary	$	923.50
Com Ed	January '26 Electric Bill	$	35.36
Total Road District Bills		$	7,350.90

The April 2026 Township Road District expenses were presented, reviewed, and signed by the Trustees. Mr. Bal made a motion to approve the March bills; second by Mr. Kleinmaier. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Tesdal, Bal, Kleinmaier, Cutler, & Rea. Nays: None. Motion Passed.

Approved Travel / Training Requests: None

Old Business:

HB 5050: No new information concerning this legislation.

Audit Report & AFR for FYE 3/31/25: Supervisor Rea reported that he has still not heard from the State what, if any, the late filing fees will be. Until that time, we are not paying the 2nd half of Brandt & Associates bill for completing the FYE 2025 Audit. Not sure when we will know the total of the late charges.

New Business:

Supervisor Rea passed out the Levy Confirmations for the Township and Road District and indicated the levy for both matched with our budget, so he signed and turned into the County.

Rea also presented the Resolution No. 26-04-14A. The primary change from prior policies or resolutions is that Pete Brummel is named the FOIA Officer with Larry Rea designated as Alternate FOIA Officer. Fees to produce the information did not change. Mr. Tesdal made a motion to approve Resolution No. 26-04-14A, and Mr. Bal seconded the motion. A Roll Call vote followed and the Ayes were Tesdal, Bal, Kleinmaier, Cutler, & Rea. No Nays. Motion carried.

Finally, Rea summarized the Seneca TIF District 1 Joint Board meeting that he and Brummel attended on behalf of Erienna Township. It was held on Tuesday, April 7th at the Seneca Village Hall. The Joint Board is requesting to extend the TIF from 23-years to 35-years. After much vigorous debate and weighing the pros & cons, Mr. Tesdal moved to approve the TIF Extension as requested by the Joint Review Board. Mr. Kleinmaier seconded the motion and a Roll Call Vote followed. Ayes were Tesdal, Bal, Kleinmaier, Cutler, & Rea. No Nays. Motion carried.

Key Upcoming Events / Dates:

i.) 04/30/26 – District Treasurers Report

Reports:

Supervisor:

- Supervisor Rea reported that the Township received an invite from the YMCA for its July 15th Picnic held for supporters of the organization.
- He also reminded everyone that the Statements of Economic Interest are due at the County Recorder's Office no later than May 4th, 2026.

Trustees:

- Trustee Tesdal made mention of multiple bills under review in Springfield that could have a severe impact on Erienna Township as well as many other townships throughout Illinois. The Perspective magazine outlines these pending pieces of legislation and much of it seems to target Townships with smaller miles of roads to maintain and lesser populated townships. He suggested to Mark Mann, Highway Commissioner, to get a certified measurement of the roads under the townships care. Mr. Mann can work through the County Engineer to get this measurement.

Highway Commissioner:

- Mr. Mann reported that Grundy County had received bids for road maintenance throughout the county and most if not all chip and tar jobs were being cancelled due to escalating prices. Mr. Mann is not planning to Chip & Tar, but does plan to do about $95K of other maintenance on the roads.
- Mr. Mann said that some new blends of biodiesel are under consideration and that our equipment would operate fine with the blends, not requiring additional maintenance.

Adjournment:

The next Board of Trustees Meeting will take place on Monday, May 11th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Erienna Township Hall. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m. On a motion to adjourn by Mr. Bal; second by Mr. Kleinmaier, a Voice Vote followed: Ayes were unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Pete Brummel, Erienna Township Clerk