

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

January 10, 2006

A Regular Meeting of the Milton Township Board was held in the Board Room of the Milton Town Hall, 1492 N. Main Street, Wheaton, Illinois, on Tuesday, January 10, 2006, for the audit of town bills followed immediately by a business meeting.

Board Members Present: Supervisor O. Chris Heidorn - Clerk A. Arlene DeMotte - Trustees James D. Flickinger, Sal Falbo, and Robert L. Larsen. Board Members Absent: Trustee Leonard Sanchez. Other Elected Officials Present: Assessor Robert Earl and Highway Commissioner Gary Muehlfelt. Also Present: Bob Jacobsen, Bill Kooser, Ken McNatt, Gail and Ralph Hinkle, Patricia and Gregory Doerfler, Sarah Phillips, Virginia Vagt, Dawn Earl, Alan Bolds, Alex and Ashlee Earl, Judy Flickinger, Richard Dunn, *Daily Herald* Reporter James Fuller, Judge Kenneth Popejoy, and Township Attorney Mary Dickson.

The business meeting was called to order by Chairman Heidorn at 7:30 p.m. Dawn Earl led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present and acting, and due notice had been mailed.

Trustee Flickinger moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed by voice vote.

Trustee Falbo moved, seconded by Trustee Flickinger, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 13, 2005, be approved as submitted. The motion passed by voice vote.

Having concluded their audit of the Township bills in the earlier segment of the meeting, Trustee Falbo moved, seconded by Trustee Flickinger, that the bills having been audited be paid and charged to the proper accounts, and the certificates of accounts be filed by the Clerk for inspection by the inhabitants of the Township. Following discussion, the motion passed on the following roll-call vote: 4 Ayes: Trustees Flickinger, Falbo, Larsen, and Chairman Heidorn. 0 Nays. 1 Absent: Trustee Sanchez.

Chairman Heidorn introduced Judge Kenneth Popejoy who administered the oath of office to Robert Earl whose term of office as Assessor began January 1, 2006. Chairman Heidorn explained that Mr. Earl was sworn into office by Clerk DeMotte on December 29, 2005, so that he could begin his duties as Assessor on January 1st.

Public Forum - Patricia Doerfler asked what the plans are for the Jewell Grove Cemetery. Chairman Heidorn referred her to Bob Jacobsen who promised to meet with the neighbors of the cemetery to inform them of the Township's plans. Richard Dunn again asked the Board to consider reducing expenses.

Chairman's Report:

- General Assistance/Food Pantry - An expanded written report of the General Assistance Department activities was distributed to the Board. Food Pantry usage is up. The Holiday Basket Program went well. Caseworker Pat Ryan had surgery on January 6th and will be out of the office about two weeks. Thank-you letters were received from the DuPage Community Clinic and Access DuPage.
- Citizen Corps/Homeland Security - A new class started last week.
- 2004 Citizen Corps 2nd Chance Grant - Chairman Heidorn applied for the grant, but the grant was denied.
- Miscellaneous - Chairman Heidorn asked Clerk DeMotte to hold the American Community Survey Handbook for the United States Census for 2010 for review by the elected officials.

There was no report from the Highway Commissioner. Assessor Earl reported that his department is in the midst of appeals. He stated that his department is short of staff. He asked the Board to consider voice mail for the Township.

Clerk DeMotte reported that the DuPage Board of Election Commissioners have decided not to hold absentee voting in the Township offices since it would be too confusing with early voting now in place. She also reminded the Board that a Special Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 24th, for a budget workshop.

Ken McNatt summarized the results of the transportation survey that S.A.L.T. conducted. The next newsletter will be out next week. The Committee meeting held yesterday was well attended and had an excellent speaker. Mr. McNatt also reported that to get on the "do-not-call" list for cell phones call 1-888-382-1222 from your cell phone.

There was no report from the Committee on Youth.

Cemeteries Authority - Authority Chairman Jacobsen reported that the Authority plans to "remove" and "replant" at the Jewell Grove Cemetery.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Audit for FY 2005-2006 - Discussion was postponed until the February meeting. No proposal for the audit has yet been received.

Mileage Reimbursement Rate for 2006 - The Internal Revenue Service has announced the standard mileage rate of 44.5 cents per mile for the business use of a car beginning January 1, 2006. Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Larsen, that Milton Township pay the rate of 44.5 cents per mile in 2006 for the business use of a car. The motion passed by voice vote (4 Ayes).

Line-Item Transfers and/or Budget Amendment, Town Fund (2nd Chance Grant accommodation) - Not discussed since the grant was denied.

Clarke Mosquito Control 2006 Contract - Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, to accept as presented the contract proposal from Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management, Inc. for 2006. Following discussion, the motion passed by voice vote (4 Ayes).

Miscellaneous/Other - Trustee Larsen asked about setting up individual e-mail accounts for the Township site. Chairman Heidorn agreed to follow up and report back to the Board.

Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, to meet in Executive Session (8:34 p.m.) to discuss pending or threatened litigation as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11). The motion passed on the following roll-call vote: 4 Ayes: Trustees Flickinger, Falbo, Larsen, and Chairman Heidorn. 0 Nays. 1 Absent: Trustee Sanchez.

Concluding discussion in Executive Session (9:20 p.m.), Trustee Larsen moved, seconded by Chairman Heidorn, to return to Regular Session. The motion passed by voice vote (4 Ayes).

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Larsen moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, that the meeting stand adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.


A. Arlene DeMotte, Township Clerk

Date minutes were approved 2/14/06