

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

August 11, 2009

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, August 11, 2009, for the audit of town bills followed immediately by a business meeting.

Board Members Present: Supervisor O. Chris Heidorn - Clerk Gail P. Hinkle - Trustees James D. Flickinger, Sal Falbo, Robert L. Larsen, and Christopher Edwards. Other Elected Officials Present: Highway Commissioner Gary Muehlfelt and Assessor Robert Earl. Also Present: Mark Kmiecik, Connie Sunderhaus, Bob Jacobsen and Ralph Hinkle.

The business meeting was called to order by Chairman Heidorn at 7:32 p.m. Robert Earl led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present and acting, and due notice had been mailed.

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

Trustee Larsen moved, seconded by Trustee Edwards, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 14, 2009, 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, Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, 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: 5 Ayes: Trustees Flickinger, Falbo, Larsen, Edwards, and Chairman Heidorn. 0 Nays.

Public Forum – Connie Sunderhaus thanked the Board for publishing the monthly financial statements on the Township web page. Ms. Sunderhaus had asked several questions pertaining to the budget and monthly expenses.

Chairman's Report:

- General Assistance/Food Pantry - Chairman Heidorn reported that Senior Caseworker, Jackie Jones, assisted in heading up the "Back to School Fair" that was held on August 5, 2009. The Fair helps hundreds of needy families in the DuPage County area in providing assistance for the children as they prepare for school.
- Citizen Corps/Homeland Security – Team Adam started class this past week with 35 people signed up. The class is held at the Winfield Fire Station. Hanover Township is taking part in the class so that they may be certified to start their own CERT team in their own township. The regular quarterly meeting of the Milton Township, Village of Glen Ellyn, and City of Wheaton Citizen Corps Councils was held this evening prior to the Township meeting. Chairman Heidorn read a letter addressed to him from Chief Philip J. Norton, Glen Ellyn Police Department, showing his appreciation for the Milton Township CERT Team who recently participated in a multi-jurisdictional training exercise hosted by the Glen Ellyn Police Department. Chairman Heidorn distributed to the Board, a current CERT newsletter that the CERT team had recently published.
- Mosquito Abatement & West Nile Virus - Chairman Heidorn reported that this summer has been unusually cool which helps control the conditions of the West Nile Virus. Chairman Heidorn had been advised from the State Department of Health of a new species of mosquito. "Aedes japonicas" specimens have been found infected with the West Nile virus.
- Weeds – Ralph Hinkle has been working hard in controlling the weed problems in unincorporated Milton Township. Several fines have been paid back to the Township for not controlling their weed problems.
- Miscellaneous/Other – Chairman Heidorn received from the County Board, Ordinance ODT-013B-93, banning overnight and long-term motorized vehicle parking on the county trail system. Chairman Heidorn has been reappointed to the Public Aid Committee by County Chairman, Robert Schillerstrom. Chairman Heidorn received the revised FY 2010-2014 Crossing Safety Program 5-Year Plan from the Illinois Commerce Commission Transportation Division/Rail Safety Section. Chairman Heidorn presented to the Board a copy of the Wheeling Township Newsletter. Michael Leach from Langan, Haeger, Vincent & Born, announced a renewal increase of 2.33% in our Blue Cross Blue Shield insurance rate. The insurance renewal will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

Highway Commissioner Muehlfelt reported on attending the Highway Commissioner's Conference in Peoria. It was stated that the costs of road paving and maintenance in the past ten years has gone up 92%. Commissioner Muehlfelt announced that 95% of the sidewalk along Pleasant Hill Road has been completed. The Daily Herald reported on the sidewalk project and endorsed the construction of the sidewalk. A bronze plaque commemorating the life of John Rigdon was presented to the Board. This plaque will be embedded in the sidewalk. On September 25, 2009, at 1:00 p.m., there will be a dedication ceremony to honor John Rigdon. The Milton Township officials are invited to attend. The road paving projects will begin soon. Work will be done in the Butterfield West subdivision. Commissioner Muehlfelt was pleased to announce a \$630,000.00 Grant has

been issued to the Highway Department through the efforts of State Representatives Sandra Pihos, Franco A. Coladipietro and Mr. Muehlfelt, himself.

Assessor – Assessor Bob Earl announced the publication of the Milton Township Assessment list for 2009. This list will be published in the Glen Ellyn News and the Wheaton Leader. The Assessor anticipates a large turnout of citizens.

Clerk Hinkle - The Sheriff's SWAP team recently redecorated the Clerk's office. The labor was free and the only costs were the paint supplies.

Seniors Committee - S.A.L.T. Committee – No report

Cemeteries Authority - Committee Chairman Jacobsen presented to the Board (2) volumes of the history of two of our local cemeteries, Jewell Grove and Pleasant Hill. Ms. Carolee Jenkins researched for hundreds of hours the history of everyone that had buried in these two cemeteries. The Board is looking into digitalizing these research papers. The Board would like to personally thank Ms. Jenkins for her contribution for her hard labor in researching these graves. The books will be located at the Milton Township Office for the public to view.

Unfinished Business - Chairman Heidorn announced that the Audit has been completed. Hard copies will be available at the next Board Meeting.

Commissioner Muehlfelt announced that he will be working on a Winter Parking Ordinance. The Ordinance would state that if there are 2" or more of snow, there will be no parking on any street in the unincorporated areas of the Township. Mr. Muehlfelt would like the support of the Board to help alleviate the problem of too many garbage trucks using the unincorporated roads in Milton Township. The heavy traffic of trucks has caused great damage to the streets. The Board will look into this matter. A referendum may be needed to resolve this problem. Trustee Falbo announced there will be a Public Hearing, to be held on August 24, 2009 at 8:00 p.m., at the Village of Glen Ellyn Civic Center for all residents of unincorporated DuPage County who are served by the Glen Ellyn Volunteer Fire Company. The purpose of the Hearing is to consider the establishment of the proposed Special Service Area in unincorporated areas.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Larsen moved, seconded by Trustee Edwards that the meeting stand adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Gail P. Hinkle

Gail P. Hinkle, Township Clerk

Date minutes were approved _____.