

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

August 14, 2012

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 14, 2012, 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, Marie Jensen and Marty Keller. Other Elected Officials Present: Assessor Robert Earl. Absent: Highway Commissioner Gary Muehlfelt. Also Present Ralph Hinkle, Kevin Sheehan, Drew Ellis, Jeff Cooper, Paula McGowen, Loydeen Reichman, Bob Jacobsen, BJ Slinger, Joe Vanest, Yadav Nathwani, Dawn Earl and Mark Kmiecik.

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

Trustee Keller moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, to approve the agenda as presented. Following discussion, the motion passed by voice vote.

Trustee Jensen moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 10, 2012, 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 Keller, 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. Trustee Jensen questioned Assessor Earl recently submitting bills that were dated January, February and March of this year. Trustee Jensen stated that these bills should have been paid in the last fiscal year and not in this fiscal year. Trustee Keller was pleased that all the check numbers were accounted for and that there were no missing checks. Trustee Flickinger questioned Ralph Hinkle's credit card bill for the month of July. Copies of this month's receipts will be sent to the Board members for them to review. The motion passed on the following roll-call vote: 4 Ayes: Trustees Falbo, Jensen, Keller and Chairman Heidorn. 1 Nay: Trustee Flickinger.

Public Forum – Jeff Cooper, from Glen Ellyn, recited a poem.

Kevin Sheehan, from unincorporated Milton Township, requested assistance from the Township in dealing with a foreclosed, vacant home in his neighborhood. Chairman Heidorn commented that the Township has a weed and brush ordinance for homes, in the unincorporated areas, that are not kept up properly.

Chairman's Report:

- General Assistance/Food Pantry – Chairman Heidorn reported the Food Pantry funds are low.
- Citizen Corps/Homeland Security – Kylie Class is holding their exercises at the College of DuPage Homeland Security and Education Center.
- Mosquito Abatement/West Nile Virus – A warning from the Center of Disease Control that this year will be a bad year for the West Nile virus. Health officials believe the mild winter, early spring and very hot summer have fostered breeding of the mosquitoes that spread the virus to people.
- Weed Program – Ralph Hinkle commented that there is a slight increase of weed complaints. As the summer continues, the weeds continue to grow.
- Mandatory Drug/Alcohol Testing – Chairman Heidorn announced as soon as the Township proposes a contract with the Central DuPage Business Health, the Administration, the General Assistance Office, the Supervisor and Clerk will be submitting to random drug and alcohol testing as well as to any new hired personnel. Chairman Heidorn announced, Trish Kuechler, is our new receptionist and will also be included in this testing procedure. Trustee Keller contacted the Highway Commissioner regarding their drug testing policy. All of the Highway employees are subjected to IDOT regulations. It is mandatory testing, if an employee is involved in an accident. Chairman Heidorn will modify the alcohol and/or drug testing policy to specify that at any time during the Township working hours, if an employee is involved in an accident, it is mandatory that they will be drug tested.
- Miscellaneous/Other – None.

Highway Commissioner – No Report.

Assessor – Mr. Earl reported that the assessments are near completion. There will be a \$325 million reduced assessments across the township for the year 2012.

Clerk Hinkle reported – No Report.

Seniors Committee - S.A.L.T. Committee Chairman Joe Vanest announced the organization, TRIAD, National Association of Police Officers and Sheriff Officers; will hold a meeting in Joliet later this month. Mr. Vanest invited the police officers from the Village of Glen Ellyn and the City of Wheaton to attend.

Cemeteries Authority - Committee Chairman Jacobsen passed out copies of the *Friends of Pioneer Cemeteries* newsletter. Mr. Jacobsen reported there were one hundred vandalized tombstones at Saint Stephen Cemetery. Mr. Jacobsen has raised \$20,000 towards the renovation of these tombstones. Mr. Jacobsen announced the Family Remembrance Day will be held on September 1, 2012 at the Saint Stephen Cemetery.

Unfinished Business –

Chairman Heidorn informed the Board that the audit is still not completed due to several banks failing to return their proper verifications of amounts in their accounts at of the end of our fiscal year.

Re-consideration of Alternate Members for the Ethics Commission – No action was taken.

New Business –

Chairman Heidorn met with Mike Leach, from Langer, Haeger, Vincent & Born Insurance Company, regarding our health insurance renewal. At this point, we are looking at a 15.2% increase in premium. We will be reaching out to other insurance carriers for different quotes. This issue will be addressed at next month's meeting.

Banking Resolution, corporate authorizations and signature cards – Chairman Heidorn collected signatures from the Board members to authorize them to sign township checks.

Miscellaneous/Other – None.

Trustee Flickinger moved to “temporarily suspend the usage of the township paid credit cards pending Board review and institution of appropriate usage policy and procedures”. There was no second to the motion. The motion died.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Falbo moved, seconded by Trustee Keller that the meeting stand adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Gail P. Hinkle

Gail P. Hinkle, Township Clerk

Date minutes were approved _____.