

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

February 12, 2013

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, February 12, 2013, for the audit of town bills followed immediately by a business meeting.

Board Members Present: Supervisor O. Chris Heidorn - Clerk Gail P. Hinkle - Trustees Sal Falbo, Marie Jensen and Marty Keller. Board Members absent: James Flickinger. Other Elected Officials Present: Highway Commissioner Gary Muehlfelt and Assessor Robert Earl. Also present: John Monino, Ralph Hinkle, Marian Tomlinson, William Adams, Bob Cherry, Dave Molitor, Joe Vanest, Mark Kmiecik, Bob Jacobsen, Jeff Cooper, Yadav Nathwani, Chris Levan and Paula McGowen.

The business meeting was called to order by Chairman Heidorn at 7:30 p.m. Gary Muehlfelt led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present and acting, due notice had been mailed and posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

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

Trustee Falbo moved, seconded by Trustee Jensen, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 8, 2013 and Special Meeting on February 5, 2013, 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. Following discussion, the motion passed on the following roll-call vote: Trustees Falbo, Jensen, Keller and Chairman Heidorn. Trustee Flickinger: Absent. (4 Ayes), (0 Nays).

Public Forum – Marian Tomlinson, a resident of Glen Ellyn, commented on the Budget Workshop that was held on February 5, 2013. Glen Ellyn resident, Jeff Cooper commented on the February 5, 2013 Budget Workshop. Gary Muehlfelt, a resident of Wheaton, addressed Mr. Heidorn asking the question, how many Budget Workshops had Trustee Flickinger missed? Chairman Heidorn responded that Trustee Flickinger has missed the last (4) Budget Workshops.

Chairman's Report:

- General Assistance/Food Pantry – Chairman Heidorn reported 417 individuals were assisted in the month of January. We always need help in the Food Pantry especially volunteers.
- Citizen Corps/Homeland Security – Ralph Hinkle reported on the latest CERT activity. On January 31, 2013, every County in the United States, in accordance with the Federal mandate, attempted to account for as many homeless people as possible. (40) CERT volunteers signed up for this event. A new CERT class began last week at the College of DuPage Homeland Security building. A total of (50) people attended.
- Miscellaneous/Other – None.

Highway Commissioner – Mr. Muehlfelt commented on his concerns in dealing with the Divine Mercy Church in unincorporated Milton Township. During the Easter Celebration, the congregation creates parking and traffic problems.

Assessor – Mr. Earl stated that he “strenuously protests” the proposed reduction of \$63,562 to the Assessor’s budget. Mr. Earl urged the Board to reinstate the cuts.

Clerk Hinkle reported – The Clerk questioned Mr. Earl’s billing in renting a unit space at the cost of \$200.00 per month. The Clerk asked the following questions pertaining to this storage unit: Why is the contract signed under an employee’s name and not the Assessor’s name? Is the unit insured? Does the Assessor have money budgeted to cover this expense? What documents are stored in this unit? As keeper of all records of the Township, the Clerk has the right to have access to this unit. Chairman Heidorn offered to speak with the Assessor regarding access to the records for the Clerk. Assessor Earl did comment, in the affirmative, to the Clerk that she may have access to the records.

Seniors Committee - S.A.L.T. Committee Chairman Joe Vanest reported on the February 11, 2013 SALT meeting. The guest speaker was Mr. Steve Bernas, CEO of the Better Business Bureau. The preliminary results of the SALT survey will be available at the next Town meeting.

Cemeteries Authority - Committee Chairman Jacobsen – It took (12) years of hard work and effort from many dedicated volunteers in helping to restore the (3) cemeteries that were either abandoned or vandalized in Milton Township.

Unfinished Business – None.

New Business –

Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo to approve the Sheriff's contract for the fiscal year 2013-2014 at an increase of 7.8%. The total amount for the Sheriff's police contract will be \$234,571.95. The motion passed by voice vote.

Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Jensen, to approve the Tentative Budget for FY 2014 for the Road District with Appropriations totaling \$1,985,601. Following discussion, the motion passed on the following roll call vote: (4 Ayes): Trustees Falbo, Jensen, Keller and Chairman Heidorn. (0 Nays).

Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, to approve the Tentative Budget for FY 2014 for the Milton Township Budget & Appropriation Ordinance totaling \$2,334,414. Following discussion, the motion passed on the following roll call vote: (4 Ayes): Trustees Falbo, Jensen, Keller and Chairman Heidorn. (0 Nays).

Trustee Keller moved, seconded by Chairman Heidorn to set the Public Hearing date on the Tentative Budgets for March 26, 2013 at 7:15 P.M. The motion passed by voice vote.

Miscellaneous/Other – None.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Falbo moved, seconded by Chairman Heidorn that the meeting stand adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Gail P. Hinkle

Gail P. Hinkle, Township Clerk

Date minutes were approved _____.