

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

October 14, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Milton Township Board was held in the Board Room of the Milton Township Hall, 1492 N. Main Street, Wheaton, Illinois, on Tuesday October 14, 2014, 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, Marty Keller, Yadav Nathwani and David Molitor. Also present: Debora Felsenthal, Bob Krzyzewski, Joe Vanest, John Monino, Norm Perkins and Ralph Hinkle.

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

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

Trustee Falbo moved, seconded by Trustee Nathwani, that the Regular Meeting on September 9, 2014 and the Special Meeting on October 7, 2014 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 Molitor 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, Keller, Nathwani, Molitor and Chairman Heidorn (5 Ayes), (0 Nays).

Public Forum – Norm Perkins, of Glen Ellyn, expressed his concerns regarding the ash tree removal from his neighborhood. Chairman Heidorn commented that this issue should be directed to the Highway Commissioner. Mr. Heidorn asked Mr. Perkins to contact Mr. Muehlfelt regarding his question. Debora Felsenthal of Glen Ellyn, publicly thanked Chairman Heidorn and Trustee Molitor for assisting in helping to remove the over grown weeds along the sidewalk located off of Butterfield Road.

Chairman Heidorn presented to the former Deputy Clerk, Dianna Taylor, a thank you gift for her dedicated work involving her many obligations and her strong work ethic for the past six years. Dianna will be deeply missed.

Chairman's Report:

- General Assistance/Food Pantry – The Board was issued the monthly General Assistance Activity Report. Chairman Heidorn contacted The Daily Herald and Suburban Life newspapers announcing the need for money and food donations for the Milton Township Food Pantry. As of October 14, 2014, the Food Pantry has received \$19,718.43 and an outpouring of food donations. Chairman Heidorn thanked those who had contributed to this needy cause.
- Citizen Corps/Homeland Security – On October 9, 2014, the introduction of Class Sonic began at the Homeland Security Center, College of DuPage. Seventy-two people were in attendance. Eighty-four have signed up.
- Weed Program – The season is over. The program has ended.
- Mosquito Abatement/WNV – The season is over. The program has ended.
- Miscellaneous/Other – None.

Clerk Hinkle - No Report.

Seniors Committee- S.A.L.T. Committee Chairman Joe Vanest reported on the 15th Annual Auto Inspection for Seniors, that was held on October 4, 2014 at the Wheaton Fire Station #1. Seventy-five cars were inspected. Chairman Vanest reported on the recent S.A.L.T. meeting that was held on October 14, 2014. Clifford Mortenson, Fire Investigator for the Wheaton Fire Department presented a program on fire prevention week.

Cemeteries Authority – In the absence of Mr. Jacobsen, Chairman Heidorn reported the City of Wheaton repaired the sidewalk at Jewell Grove Cemetery. Mr. Jacobsen is working with Denise Wipert, a neighbor to the Jewell Grove Cemetery, to manage unwanted growth adjacent to the cemetery. Mr. Jacobsen reported there are 2 to 3 ash trees that need to be removed from the Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Unfinished Business – Chairman Heidorn gave an update of the new signage for the Township building. The Wheaton City Council recently approved the permit to construct a new sign to be placed in front of the Township building.

Miscellaneous/Other – None.

New Business – Chairman Heidorn issued to each Board member a portion of a copy of the 1997 Agreement between the State of Illinois, Department of Transportation, and the Township of Milton. The purpose of this agreement allows Milton Township to agree to continue to maintain, or cause to be maintained, all existing sidewalk, and will maintain, or cause to be maintained, the sidewalk ramps as constructed. This sidewalk is located along Route 56 and Route 53. Chairman Heidorn will honor this agreement and will maintain the weeds and hopefully Glenbard South High School will take on the responsibility of snow removal. This is the Township's undertaking and not the Highway Department's responsibility. Mr. Heidorn will seek Council since a portion of this sidewalk is within the City of Wheaton. Mr. Hinkle expressed his concern regarding the safety of the fire hydrants that are covered with foliage and weeds. The fire hydrants are the responsibility of Illinois Department of Transportation.

Miscellaneous/Other – Chairman Heidorn reported that DuPage County Townships have a need to be represented down in Springfield. John J. Millner & Associates is a lobbyist who would be working for the interest of DuPage County Townships. The cost per Township in DuPage County is \$3,000 per year. Milton Township Assessor and the Highway Commissioner concurred on obtaining this lobbyist to represent our needs of DuPage County. The Board agreed that we need an advocate in Springfield to represent township government in DuPage County.

Chairman Heidorn announced our November Board Meeting will be held on the November 18th instead of November 11th.

There being no future business to come before the Board, Trustee Nathwani moved, seconded by Trustee Keller that the meeting stand adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Gail P. Hinkle
Gail P. Hinkle, Township Clerk

Date Minutes were approved Nov. 18, 2014