

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

September 13, 2011

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, September 13, 2011, for the audit of town bills followed immediately by a business meeting.

Board Members Present: Supervisor O. Chris Heidorn - Deputy Clerk Dianna Taylor - Trustees Sal Falbo, Christopher Edwards and Marie Jensen. Board Members Absent: Town Clerk Gail P. Hinkle and Trustee James D. Flickinger. Other Elected Officials Present: Highway Commissioner Gary Muehlfelt and Assessor Robert Earl. Also Present: Ronald Menna, Ralph Hinkle, Chris Levan, Bob Jacobsen, Jack Boepple, Mike Leach and Naresh Nair.

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

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

Trustee Falbo moved, seconded by Trustee Jensen, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 9, 2011, 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 Edwards, 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, Falbo, Edwards, Jensen and Chairman Heidorn. 0 Nays.

Public Forum – None.

Chairman's Report:

- General Assistance/Food Pantry - Chairman Heidorn reported on purchasing a Quicken Software program for the printing of checks for the GA office. The Assessor is providing a class in Excel for his employees and for the Township receptionist, Gaby Guerrero.
- Citizen Corps/Homeland Security – Ralph Hinkle reported on the various CERT activities scheduled for the month of October. Safety Saturday with the Sheriff, CERT Rodeo, and the Fire Station Open House. The new CERT class, Isaiah, begins on October 6, 2011. Mr. Hinkle and two CERT members had attended the Illinois Emergency Management Seminar in Springfield.
- Weeds – Chairman Heidorn reported on a brutal year for weeds. The Township has received several checks for liens on properties that were issued warnings regarding their weeds/grass.
- Mosquito Abatement & West Nile Virus - Chairman Heidorn received a program update from Clarke. 57 batches of West Nile Viruses were reported in DuPage County. 440 batches were reported in Cook County.
- Miscellaneous/Other – Chairman Heidorn reported receiving a letter from a concerned unincorporated Milton Township citizen regarding garbage pickup. According to the 2010 Census, the population in Milton Township is 117,067.

Highway Commissioner Muehlfelt reported that the DuPage County Board had approved the revised building plans of the mosque that will be built in Milton Township. Under the revised plans, the Muslim Community Association will have to make improvements on the roads. Phase one of the paving project has been completed. Mr. Muehlfelt reported that the Township hopefully will receive a Grant for this project. Phase two will begin soon, for areas north of Roosevelt Road. Commissioner Muehlfelt received a letter from Frank Saverino, Sr., Mayor of Carol Stream, thanking the Milton Township Highway Department for providing assistance following a devastating storm that hit the Carol Stream area in August. Mr. Muehlfelt reported on receiving a check in the amount of \$23,033.72, from FEMA to help cover the costs from the snow storm that occurred last February of 2011. Commissioner Muehlfelt passed out a chart showing the ½ Rate Tax for all Townships in DuPage County. The chart indicates the amount each Highway Department gives back to the municipalities. Milton Township gives back over \$1 million.

Chairman Heidorn discussed an article from The Wall Street Journal, titled, *When Civic Mergers Don't Save Money*.

Assessor – Assessor Earl reported on a (PTAB) case in which the tax payer withdrew his appeal.

Clerk Hinkle reported – None.

Seniors Committee – None.

Cemeteries Authority - Committee Chairman Jacobsen reported Family Day at St. Stephen Cemetery was held on September 10, 2011. Mr. Jacobsen had thanked Gary Muehlfelt, Sal Falbo and Ralph Hinkle in representing the Township at this event.

Mr. Jacobsen reported on contacting Jim Eaton who is a wood carver. Mr. Eaton is willing to make wooden gavels from a black cherry tree that had fallen in the Pleasant Hill cemetery.

Mr. Jacobsen passed out the August newsletter, *Diggings & Rubbings* to the Board and guests. Mr. Jacobsen announced a fundraiser for the County Museum to be held on September 17, 2011 at the DuPage County Historical Museum.

Unfinished Business - Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, to accept the 2011 Audit that was prepared by Miriani & Associates. After discussion, the motion passed by the following roll-call vote: 4 Ayes. Chairman Heidorn, Trustees Falbo, Edwards and Jensen. 0 Nays.

New Business – Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Edwards, to renew the Health Insurance of Blue Cross Blue Shield at an increase of 9.82%. Mr. Earl had suggested increasing the percentage of the employee contribution, 1% per year, of their PPO Plan. This increase would start in January of 2012. After discussion, the motion passed by voice vote. The Milton Township Board of Trustees do not receive insurance through the Township.

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

*Gail P. Hinkle*

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Gail P. Hinkle, Township Clerk

*Dianna Taylor*

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Dianna Taylor, Deputy Clerk

Date minutes were approved \_\_\_\_\_.