

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

October 11, 2022

A Regular Meeting for the Milton Township Board was held in the Board Room of the Milton Town Hall, 1492 N. Main Street, Wheaton Illinois, on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

Board Members Present: Chairman John Monino, Clerk Yadav “Nick” Nathwani, Trustees, Jeff Castle, Drew Ellis, and Dan Milinko, and Joe Soto. Guests Signed in: Don Sender, Chuck Smith, Dave, Seznov, Brian Stum, Holly Bragaw, Amanda T., Kasi Steinhilber, Don Sender, Larry Pitts, and Brand & Susan Vertrees.

The business meeting was called to order by Chairman Monino at 6:30 P.M. Don Sender led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present and acting and due notice had been posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Trustee Castle, seconded by Trustee Milinko, to approve the agenda as presented. On voice vote, all those present voted aye. The motion passed.

Trustee Ellis moved, seconded by Trustee Soto, to approve the minutes from the Regular meeting September 13, 2022. On a voice vote, all those present voted aye. The motion passed.

Having concluded the audit of the Township bills in the earlier segment of the meeting, Trustee Soto moved, seconded by Trustee Castle that the bills having been audited be paid and charged to the proper accounts, and certificates of accounts be filed by the Clerk for inspection by the citizens of the Township. Following discussion, on a roll call vote: Trustee Castle, Ellis, Milinko, Soto, and Chairman Monino. The motion passed.

### Public Forum

- a. Susan Vertrees – Susan handed out project plans on her house. She updated the board on her flood situation and the status of requesting a direct sewer hook up. She has a meeting scheduled with the DuPage County tomorrow morning. The township engineer advised Susan that the proposed plans may not solve her problem. Susan encouraged the board to consult with Mr. Muehlfelt regarding her plans.
- b. Don Sender – Mr. Sender mentioned that he is a 22 year military veteran and taught at District 200. He complimented the township newsletter, he mentioned that it was nicely organized and enjoyed the content. Mr. Sender mentioned that that he was disappointed to see the employee responsible for creating the newsletter quit.
- c. Brad Vertrees – Mr. Vertrees thanked Supervisor Monino and the Trustees for their service. He addressed the board regarding a culvert. He mentioned that the culvert is not performing.

#### Chairman's Report:

- General Assistance Dept & Food Pantry – Chairman Monino mentioned that since the township could accept LIHEAP application, we have received a record number of requests.
- Mosquito Abatement Special Spraying and W. Nile Info – Chairman Monino informed the board that the 5 of the 20 cases of West Nile were within township limits. As a result, Chairman Monino and the board authorized an additional spraying.
- Recycling Event Hwy. Dept – Chairman Monino informed the board that the township Highway Department held a successful event October 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Close of the Books Assessor Dept. – Chairman Monino informed the board that Assessor Levan is in the process of closing his book, now that township board can start it's budget process for the next fiscal year.
- Misc./Other – Trustee Castle spoke about his recent contributions at St. Stephen Cemetery. The board worked together to build a well. Trustee Castle also mentioned that cemetery could invite Cantigny or College of DuPage horticulture's team to see how they could improve the cemetery.

#### Officials & Committee Reports:

- A. Town Clerk – Clerk Nathwani mentioned that him and Andrea updated the FOIA log and responded to 2 FOIA requests. He also mentioned that him and Andrea cannot upload items to the new township website.
- B. Seniors Committee – Chuck Smith informed that board that the SALT committee held a successful Auto Inspection. The event brought 89 cars over a 2 hour period. The event started at 9AM and ended at 11am. AAA provided all of the fluids and a mechanic.
- C. Cemeteries Authority – Trustee Ellis reported that the township hosted a successful event at St Stephens cemetery. The event was well attended with over a 100 people. There was a wonderful picnic lunch. Trustee Castle lead a discussion regarding the well and how he identified an area at the cemetery that could be converted into a garden.
- D. Citizens Corp & Corp – Mr. Seznov reported a updated to the board in place of Marty Keller. Mr. Seznov reported that CERT provided support services to the Village of Glen Ellyn during their community events. As a result, the village made an additional donation to the CERT program. The CERT program is training 39 new students.
- E. Food Pantry – Dave Seznov the new Director of the food pantry reported that he is putting the final touches in implementing the STAR system. After the STAR system is in place there will be less paperwork. The food pantry had over 30 people this past Wednesday.
- F. Trustee Castle mentioned that the township does not support a toxic work environment. He mentioned that most of the positions offered at the township are entry level, and that is why there is so much turnover. Also that the highway department is well run and should be considered a “first responder” like police and fire.

When a natural disaster takes place, the highway department is the first government entity to respond. Trustee Milinko mentioned that the allegations lodged against the highway commissioner regarding storm water management are untrue. The highway department is working in cooperating with the county to resolve the issue.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Stumm Insurance – Stumm Insurance representatives lead a presentation regarding health insurance and benefits. Representatives briefly summarized their background and clientele. The township’s existing broker’s have proposed raising health insurance rates by 9%. Stumm mentioned that offering additional health plans could result in a \$18,000 increase instead of \$36,000. They also mentioned that their firm could provide better services, for example, COBRA management, claims resolutions, and explaining the change in benefits to each employee.
- B. Treasurer’s Annual Report – Chairman Monino mentioned that his report is ready for the Clerk’s signature. The report will be filed with the county as well.
- C. Closure of the Books Assessor Dept – covered earlier in the meeting.
- D. Audit – Chairman Monino mentioned that he is starting the audit process for the fiscal year.
- E. Miscellaneous/Other – Attorney Bond introduced a resolution with 5/3 bank. The resolution outlines where township employees can park on the 5/3 property.

IV. New Business

- A. BCBS – Chairman Monino offered to do more research with our current broker with board members.
- B. Dental Insurance – Chairman Monino mentioned that our current dental insurance broker informed the township that we will experience a rate increase. Mr. Monino recommended going to market.
- C. Miscellaneous/Other – none

Having concluded the Business Meeting at 8:04 P.M., Trustee Soto moved, seconded by Trustee Castle to adjourn the October 11, 2022, Township Meeting. On a voice vote, all those present voted ayes. The motion passed.

The meeting retired at 8:04 P.M.

The meeting stands adjourned.

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Yadav “Nick” Nathwani, Township Clerk

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

