

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

December 9, 2008

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, December 9, 2008, 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, Robert L. Larsen, and Leonard Sanchez. Other Elected Officials Present: Highway Commissioner Gary Muehlfelt and Assessor Robert Earl. Also Present: Christopher Edwards, Paula McGowen, Mark Kmiecik, Ken McNatt and Ralph Hinkle.

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

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

Trustee Larsen moved, seconded by Trustee Sanchez, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 10, 2008, 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 Falbo, 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: 5 Ayes: Trustees Flickinger, Falbo, Larsen, Sanchez, and Chairman Heidorn. 0 Nays.

Public Forum – None.

### Chairman's Report:

- General Assistance/Food Pantry – Since September the clientele has been climbing steadily and breaking records. 765 individuals were helped in November and will be higher in December. Chairman Heidorn wrote a letter to the editors in two newspapers asking for financial assistance to support our food pantry.
- Citizen Corps/Homeland Security – Recently received Grant money from the Village of Glen Ellyn and the City of Wheaton. In order for Citizen Corps to apply for Grant money from I.E.M.A., our organization must be in compliance to NIMS. Ralph Hinkle and Chris Heidorn are working on this matter.
- Miscellaneous/Other – Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund's final rate determination for 2009 is 5.96%, up from this year's rate of 4.66%.

Highway Commissioner Muehlfelt reported – 450 feet of sidewalk was installed along Pleasant Hill Road in Wheaton on November 25, 2008 through the efforts of Highway Commissioner Gary Muehlfelt. The Highway Department is now using a mixture of beet juice, salt and sand due to the shortage of salt for the winter months. Mr. Muehlfelt gave a talk at the S.A.L.T. meeting describing his duties as Highway Commissioner. He also spoke at the Butterfields's East Homeowners Association.

Assessor – DuPage County Prayer Breakfast will be held on December 18, 2008. Tickets are \$20.00.

Clerk Hinkle – announced the Caucus will be held on January 13, 2009.

Seniors Committee – The S.A.L.T. Council is working on the next Communicator newsletter. The Senior Auto Inspection was very successful. The Senior Fair was held in October. The S.A.L.T. Council gave out 250 whistles to senior citizens. Mr. Heidorn had asked Mr. McNatt if the Township could insert in the S.A.L.T. Communicator a questionnaire regarding the viability of our own newsletter for the Township. If there is an interest in receiving more information on Township government, we may then publish our own newsletter.

Cemeteries Authority – The Pleasant Hill cemetery fence was damaged again. In the fall of 2007, a car ran into the Pleasant Hill Cemetery's fence. Payment from that damaged has not been paid; legal action will be taken to collect for the damages.

### Unfinished Business:

MetLife Dental renewal is requesting a rate increase of 8.7% based on their claim expectations, changes in employee composition and overall industry trends. Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Larsen to accept the MetLife renewal as presented with an 8.7% rate increase. The motion passed by voice vote (5 Ayes). Assessor Earl had suggested to Mr. Heidorn, increasing the employee's premium for health/dental insurance from 15% to 20% over a period of five years. This matter will be brought up in our January 2009 Board meeting.

PACE Contract Renewal; Ride DuPage Intergovernmental Agreement. Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, to authorize the Supervisor to execute the PACE agreement and intergovernmental agreement with Wheaton and Glen Ellyn, and to make modifications to those agreements so long as said modifications are not material. The motion passed by voice vote (5 Ayes). Ride DuPage will be published in the S.A.L.T. Communicator.

Miscellaneous/Other – None.

New Business:

Tentative Levies:

The Highway Department 2008 Tentative Levy was presented for adoption. No changes were made to the 2008 Road District Tax Levy Ordinance since the Tentative Levy was passed at the November Board Meeting. Trustee Falbo moved, seconded by Trustee Sanchez, to adopt Ordinance No. O- 08-4 entitled “*Tax Levy Ordinance Milton Township Road District*” for 2008 in the amount of **(\$2,887,796.28)**, subject to final correction as determined by the DuPage County Clerk. The motion passed on the following roll-call: 5 Ayes: Chairman Heidorn, Trustees Falbo, Flickinger, Larsen and Sanchez. 0 Nays.

The Tentative Levies for the Town and General Assistance were presented for adoption. No changes were made since the Tentative Levies were passed in November. Trustee Falbo moved, seconded by Trustee Sanchez, to adopt the 2008 Tax Levy Ordinance for the Town Fund **(\$1,625,863.00)**, and the General Assistance Fund **(\$269,050.00)** totaling **\$1,894,913.37**, Ordinance No. 0-08-5 entitled “*Tax Levy Ordinance Milton Township General Town and General Assistance*,” subject to final correction as determined by the DuPage County Clerk. The motion passed on the following roll-call vote: 5 Ayes: Chairman Heidorn, Trustees Falbo, Flickinger, Larsen and Sanchez. 0 Nays.

The Tentative Levies for the Special Police District were presented for adoption. No changes were made since the Tentative Levies were passed in November. Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, to adopt the 2008 Tax Levy Ordinance for the Special Police Fund **(\$209,987.84)**, Ordinance No. 0-08-6 entitled “*Tax Levy Ordinance Milton Township Special Police District*,” subject to final correction as determined by the DuPage County Clerk. The motion passed on the following roll-call vote: 5 Ayes: Chairman Heidorn, Trustees Falbo, Flickinger, Larsen and Sanchez. 0 Nays.

The Mosquito Abatement District 2008 Tentative Levy was presented for adoption. No changes were made to the 2008 Mosquito Abatement District Tax Levy Ordinance since the Tentative Levy was passed at the November Board Meeting. Trustee Larsen moved, seconded by Trustee Sanchez, to adopt Ordinance No. 0—08-7 entitled “*Tax Levy Ordinance Milton Township Mosquito Abatement District*” for 2008 in the amount of **(\$60,362.47)**, subject to final correction as determined by the DuPage County Clerk. The motion passed on the following roll-call: 5 Ayes: Chairman Heidorn, Trustees Falbo, Flickinger, Larsen and Sanchez. 0 Nays.

Public Act 095-0981, (The Public Graveyards Act), to allow Cemetery Authority members to be paid \$1,000.00 per year rather than \$500.00 per year. Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Falbo, to increase the Milton Township Cemetery Authority’s stipend from \$1,500.00 to \$3,000.00 per year. The motion passed by voice vote.

Trustee Larsen had recommended placing the Trustee’s e-mail account on the Milton Township web- site. Chairman Heidorn and Ralph Hinkle will upgrade the web- site.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Larsen moved, seconded by Trustee Sanchez that the meeting stand adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

*Gail P. HINKLE*

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Gail P. Hinkle, Township Clerk

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