

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

July 14, 2009

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, July 14, 2009, 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 Christopher Edwards. Other Elected Officials Present: Assessor Robert Earl. Also Present: Ralph Hinkle, Bob Jacobsen and Jack Boepple.

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

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

Trustee Larsen moved, seconded by Trustee Edwards, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 9, 2009, 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, Edwards, and Chairman Heidorn. 0 Nays.

Public Forum – Milton Township resident, Jack Boepple, had asked the Board to place the monthly minutes on the web page. Mr Boepple had offered to assist in updating our web site.

### Chairman's Report:

- General Assistance/Food Pantry - Chairman Heidorn reported that the Emergency Assistance has been increasing in number for the past few months due to the economy. Chairman Heidorn had asked for extra volunteers to assist in helping with the Food Pantry.
- Citizen Corps/Homeland Security – Ralph Hinkle gave a brief slide presentation on the Citizen Emergency Response Team, (CERT). Mr. Hinkle had presented this same presentation to the S.A.L.T. Council meeting on July 13, 2009. The next CERT training class will be held on August 6, 2009.
- Mosquito Abatement & West Nile Virus - Chairman Heidorn reported that he is still working on appointing unincorporated Milton Township residents to the Mosquito Abatement District Board of Trustees.
- Weeds – Chairman Heidorn reported that the weeds are being cut on the property next to Trustee Falbo's home, after being notified by the Township. As of today, we have \$3,800 in liens that were filed.
- Miscellaneous/Other – Chairman Heidorn discussed **House Bill 621** (Rep. Fortner; Sen. Hultgren) adapts language to the Township Code that would authorize township boards to deal with mowing grass, trimming or removing nuisance trees or bushes on neglected property. Passed by both houses; awaiting action of the Governor. **House Bill 476** (Rep. Winters; Sen. Viverito) provides for a proportional allotment of motor fuel tax receipts to **all** townships, rather than to just those that levy at .08%. Passed the House; defeated in Senate committee. Every year, Highway Commissioner Muehlfelt, must levy to 100% in order to qualify for the Motor Fuel Tax Revenue. **Senate Bill 189** (Sen. Raoul; Rep. Madigan) expands the scope of the Freedom of Information Act by broadening definitions of what must be provided by governments, requires designation of an employee, officer or member as an FOI officer, requires computer training of that person, and creates an FOI mitigation section within the Illinois Attorney General's office, as well as other provisions. Passed both houses and awaiting action of the Governor. Chairman Heidorn commented that the Township Clerk, by law, is not permitted to speak during board discussions at township board meetings.

Highway Commissioner Muehlfelt was absent. Representing Highway Commissioner Muehlfelt, Chairman Hiedorn passed out to the Board a copy of the Downers Grove Township Newsletter. It had been suggested by Commissioner Muehlfelt that Milton Township should publish an annual Township newsletter for the public. Through the efforts of Highway Commissioner Gary Muehlfelt in lobbying the State of Illinois, State Representative, Sandra Pihos had contacted Commissioner Muehlfelt to inform him that through the Stimulus Package, the Milton Township Highway Department may receive between \$60,000 to \$100,000 for road improvements. The family of John M. Rigdon and Highway Commissioner Gary Muehlfelt, would like to place a memorial plaque commemorating the life of John Rigdon who lost his life tragically along Pleasant Hill Road in 2008. Commissioner Muehlfelt had suggested by offsetting the cost of the plaque; the Board members may individually want to contribute to the memorial.

Assessor – No report.

Clerk Hinkle reported that the meeting of the Township Officials of DuPage County will be held on July 30, 2009.

Seniors Committee – In the absence of Chairman McNatt, Chairman Heidorn reported that Chairman McNatt is still raising funds for his quarterly newsletter.

Cemeteries Authority - Committee Chairman Jacobsen thanked everyone for contributing to the memorial services that were held at Jewell Grove and Pleasant Hill cemeteries. Ralph Hinkle gave a brief slide presentation on both services.

Unfinished Business – Miriani & Associates are still auditing our financial records.

New Business – Chairman Heidorn moved, seconded by Trustee Larsen, to approve the roofing contract, with Showalter Roofing Company, in the amount of \$16,350.00. Following discussion, the motion passed by voice vote.

Miscellaneous/Other – Trustee Edwards is requesting police enforcement for speeders in his neighborhood. Chairman Heidorn will contact the Sheriff’s office regarding this matter.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Larsen moved, seconded by Trustee Flickinger, that the meeting stand adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

*Gail P. Hinkle*

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Gail P. Hinkle, Township Clerk

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