

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

October 13, 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, October 13, 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: Highway Commissioner Gary Muehlfelt and Assessor Robert Earl. Also Present: Marie Jensen, Bob Jacobsen, Jack Boepple, Joe Vanest, and Carolee Jenkins

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

Trustee Larsen moved, seconded by Trustee Edwards, 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 September 8, 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 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: 5 Ayes: Trustees Flickinger, Falbo, Larsen, Edwards, and Chairman Heidorn. 0 Nays.

Chairman Heidorn presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Ms. Carolee Jenkins for volunteering countless hours of genealogy research and recordings of our two local cemeteries, Jewell Grove and Pleasant Hill.

Public Forum – None.

Chairman's Report:

- General Assistance/Food Pantry - Chairman Heidorn reported that the Food Pantry usage is still up. 245 Households consisting of 716 individuals were helped in the month of September. Chairman Heidorn had suggested using the Wheaton College radio station, WETN, at the cost of \$700.00 to advertise our Food Pantry. Discussion followed.
- Citizen Corps/Homeland Security – Team “Baker” is our newest class that started in October. The CERT Rodeo event will take place on October 17th at Atten Park in Wheaton.
- Mosquito Abatement & West Nile Virus – The mosquito season is about over. 395 human cases of the West Nile Virus for the year 2009 have been reported. In Illinois there were 4 human cases.
- Miscellaneous/Other – Chairman Heidorn reported on receiving a letter from the Illinois Department of Labor requesting information regarding the Township Building's new roof project. Mr. Heidorn will comply to their requests.

Highway Commissioner Muehlfelt thanked those that contributed towards the memorial plaque for the sidewalk dedication that was held last month for John Rigdon. The ceremony went well with 80 people in attendance.

Mr. Muehlfelt commented that the Milton Township Highway Department will be receiving a \$630,000 Grant from the Illinois Capital Bill, that was passed April 9, 2009. This Grant is for emergency road repair. The Grant will cover 90% of the project and the Township will be responsible for 10% of the cost.

Commissioner Muehlfelt attended a Chloride Reduction seminar sponsored by DuPage County. The purpose of this seminar is to educate the municipalities on how to reduce the chloride usage during the winter months.

A snowplowing class will be conducted at the County. All Milton Township Highway employees will be attending this class.

A new 57' Aerial Truck was purchased.

Mr. Muehlfelt discussed with the Board, Ordinance 0-05-4, *An Ordinance Adopting Parking Restrictions for Roads under the Jurisdiction of Milton Township*. This Ordinance pertains to no parking on streets during the winter months when there are 2" or more of snow on the ground or during snow plow operations. Signs will be posted in the Township subdivisions.

Commissioner Muehlfelt received a letter from the Village of Lombard announcing their decision to disconnect 7 parcels of property west of the DuPage River. This would include a portion of Hill Ave and a bridge that is in disrepair. The intentions of the Village of Lombard were to give these parcels and bridge over to Milton Township to maintain. Milton Township Attorney, Mary Dickson, wrote a letter to the Village of Lombard stating that the Township is not interested in maintaining their road and bridge.

Assessor - The Assessor's office is very busy with Appeals.

Clerk Hinkle reported – None.

Seniors Committee - S.A.L.T. Committee – Joe Vanest gave a report on the Senior Fair that was held last Friday at the DuPage County Fairgrounds. On October 24, 2009, the 9th Annual Car Inspection will be held at the Wheaton Fire Station on Fapp Circle.

Cemeteries Authority - Committee Chairman Jacobsen thanked Carolee Jenkins for her work in researching the history of two of our Township cemeteries. Ms. Jenkins will supply a digital format of the grave sites to the Township.

Unfinished Business - Chairman Heidorn is trying to set up a meeting date with Rick Tarulis regarding refuse collection and disposal of garbage.

Miscellaneous - None.

New Business – Chairman Heidorn gave out copies of Ordinance No. 0-98-3, *Providing for the Cutting of Weeds on Real Estate in Unincorporated Areas in Milton Township* along with a copy of Public Act 096-0564. The State of Illinois has changed the Township Code expanding the responsibilities of policy regarding weeds, grass, trimming of trees or bushes and the removal of bushes or trees. Following discussion, Chairman Heidorn will draft a tentative Ordinance to replace our existing Weed Ordinance.

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 8:20 p.m.

Gail P. Hinkle

Gail P. Hinkle, Township Clerk

Date minutes were approved _____.