

Minutes of the Troy Township Board Meeting
Monday, October 20, 2014
7:00 p.m.

Meeting of the Troy Township Board of Trustees held at the Troy Township Community Center, 25448 Seil Road, Shorewood, Illinois.

Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Clerk Kristin Dawn Cross.

Supervisor Baltz asked for a moment of silence in memory of Pat Balla former Troy Township Senior Center Director.

Roll call:

Present were:	Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz	Clerk Kristin Dawn Cross
	Trustee Larry Ryan	Trustee Brett Wheeler
	Trustee Donald Walden	Highway Commissioner Tom Ward
	Assessor Kimberly Anderson	Collector Sharon Cemen Hicks

Absent were:	Trustee John Theobald - EA	EA – Excused Absence; L – Late Arrival
		A – Absent

Also in Attendance: Administrator Jennifer Dylik

Quorum is established.

Supervisor Baltz opened the meeting for citizen comments.

After asking three times Supervisor Baltz closed the meeting for citizen comment.

Motion made by Trustee Ryan; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the **MINUTES** of the September 15, 2014, **Regular Board Meeting**. Motion carried.

The **TREASURER'S REPORT** was acknowledged by Supervisor Baltz and placed on file.

CORRESPONDENCE

Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz reviewed the following correspondence with the Board:

- Thank you note from the family of Pat Balla.
- Thank you letter from First Presbyterian Church for the contribution in honor of Bev Weber.
- Compliment from Genia Saveas on the great customer service she received at Troy Township.
- Distribution of fine money from the Office of the Circuit Court Clerk totaling \$178.00 for the period of August 1, 2014 to August 31, 2014.
- Notice from the Will County Board of Review regarding a tax exempt application for the Will County Community Action Building Corp. 05-06-12-222-011-0000.
- Clerk Mosquito September status report.
- Pace Bus 2015 Operating & Capital Program report.
- Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulations – Mortgage Relief Project meeting on October 25, 2014.

- TOIRMA Annual Report
- Crain's Chicago Business editorial article on township government.
- Township Perspective magazine.
- Illinois Municipal Review magazine.
- Will County Center for Independent Living newsletter.
- CASA of Will County newsletter.
- The Forest Preserve District of Will County newsletter.
- IMRF Fundamentals.

CYBER NICHE REPORT: – No report.

REPORTS OF TRUSTEES / COMMITTEES:

TRUSTEE LARRY RYAN – No report.

TRUSTEE BRETT WHEELER – No report.

TRUSTEE JOHN THEOBALD – Excused absence. No report.

TRUSTEE DONALD WALDEN – Trustee Walden reported that he attend the VAC meeting where they worked on the VAC's budget. He reported that the Hines Veteran's Hospital is now assisting with funding for the bus going to and from Hines.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT: Highway Commissioner Ward reported that leaf season has started and crews are mowing ditches. Six hundred tons of salt have been secured for the season at \$118/ton. Had the Road District secured salt through the CMS bid, it would have cost approximately \$135/ton.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Assessor Anderson reported that her office is working on evidence for upcoming hearings. There are 48 residential appeals filed with the Board of Review which is down from 161 in 2013. Her office has been able to work with most appeals and only nine have resulted in a hearing. Commercial hearings will begin in November. A spreadsheet has been distributed showing the appeals that have been filed where the appellant is requesting a reduction of 100,000 or more in assessed value. Some entries on the spreadsheet indicate that they have been stipulated with which means we have reached an agreement on the value. The total number of commercial and industrial appeals is 57, down from 66 in 2013.

TOWNSHIP COLLECTOR'S REPORT: Collector Hicks complimented the Township on the amount of services that are offered and how well the Township is run.

TOWNSHIP CLERK REPORT: Clerk Cross reported that early voting started Monday, October 20, 2014 with 79 voters. Early voting continues until October 31, 2014.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Supervisor Baltz reported that the County Clerk's office has taken over booth set up at each precinct for Election Day. The community room schedule was distributed and the room usage remains very active. Supervisor Baltz also thanked everyone who attended the recent shredding event.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Administrator Dylik reported:

- Administrator Dylik thanked everyone who participated at the shredding event. Although it was cold and wet, we still had a decent turn out with a total of 236 cars come through.

- The annual TOI Educational Conference is being held in Springfield from Sunday, November 9th to Tuesday, November 11th. Hotel confirmations and agendas were emailed to all attendees today.
- The conversion to QuickBooks is underway and about three quarters of the way complete. By the November meeting we should be able to provide the monthly bill sheets via a QuickBooks report and by December be able to provide the monthly financials via a QuickBooks.
- The Township has again partnered with Restoration Christian Church for the “Bearing the Cold” warm clothing drive to benefit needy families.
- Save the date for the Seniors Christmas lunch at Syl’s on Tuesday, December 2nd at 11:30 a.m. and the Township Employee Christmas lunch will be held in the Community Center at noon on Tuesday, December 23rd.
- The Troy Township Supervisor’s Office, Assessor’s Office, Community Center and Highway Department will be closed on Tuesday, November 11th for the Veteran’s Day holiday.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Walden to accept the **TOWN FUND BILLS** for **October** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Ryan; seconded by Trustee Walden to accept the **ASSESSOR’S BILLS** for **October** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the **GENERAL ASSISTANCE BILLS** for **October** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Ryan; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the **ROAD AND BRIDGE BILLS** for **October** as presented. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Baltz asked twice for any old business. No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Walden to close the bidding process and open all bids for the Troy Township Road District notice of intent to sell personal property of a 2007 Chevy Impala as published in the September 17, 2014 edition of the Joliet Herald News. Motion carried.
 - a) Clerk Cross opened and read all bids:
 - i) Chicago Motors Inc. \$1,707.00
 - ii) Yousef Dabbagh \$1,288.00
 - iii) Kenneth W. Cross, Jr. \$100
 - b) Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Ryan to accept the high bid from Chicago Motors, Inc. subject to review by the Highway Commissioner. Motion carried.

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Clerk Cross quoted an unknown author "our success in life is directly related to the quantity and quality of the service we give". With that, Clerk Cross presented certificates of service to both Supervisor Baltz and Trustee Donald Walden honoring each of them for the 30 plus years of service they have given to the Township of Troy.

No other new business we presented.

CLOSED SESSION:

No items for closed session.


ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Trustee Walden announced that he will be doing the opening ceremonies for the Trustees Division at the upcoming TOI Conference.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Ryan to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Kristin Dawn Cross

