

Minutes of the Troy Township Board Meeting

Monday, April 20, 2015

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 Trustee Donald Walden.

Roll call:

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| Present were: | Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz    | Clerk Kristin Dawn Cross |
|               | Trustee Larry Ryan            | Trustee John Theobald    |
|               | Trustee Donald Walden         | Trustee Brett Wheeler    |
|               | Highway Commissioner Tom Ward |                          |

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| Absent were: | Assessor Kimberly Anderson -EA    | EA – Excused Absence; L – Late Arrival |
|              | Collector Sharon Cemen Hicks - EA | A – Absent                             |

Also in Attendance: Administrator Jennifer Dylik

Quorum is established.

Supervisor Baltz opened the meeting for citizen comment.

Resident Jim Lynch complimented and thanked Highway Commissioner Ward for his advice regarding some ponds within the Shorewood Glen Community.

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

Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Ryan to accept the MINUTES of the March 16, 2015, 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 card from the Troy Township Seniors.
- Thank you letter from CASA of Will County to the Township employees for their donation.
- Compliment email for the Road District.
- Compliment email from resident Jim Lynch regarding the shredding event.
- PTAB notice for:
  - Walgreens 1514 Essington Rd., Joliet
  - Walgreens 1160 West Jefferson St., Shorewood
- Illinois Municipal Review
- Forest Preserve District of Will County Newsletter

**CYBER NICHE REPORT:** – Jim Lynch reported that the Cyber Niche volunteers met with Administrator Dylik on Friday, April 17, 2015, to review the current structure of the Cyber Niche program. Mr. Lynch reported that the group has decided to change their name to the Gadget Gurus and will be offering a structured class one time per quarter. The group will continue with having open walk-in sessions the first Friday of every month and will still be available for one-on-one scheduled sessions. The group will also have an email address ([gadgetgurus@troytownship.com](mailto:gadgetgurus@troytownship.com)) and will have a voicemail box on the Troy Township system to ensure the group has a unified appearance with Troy Township.

**REPORTS OF TRUSTEES / COMMITTEES:**

**TRUSTEE LARRY RYAN** – Trustee Ryan reported that there have been some thefts and break-ins in the unincorporated areas and that he will be reaching out to the Will County Sheriff's office. Highway Commissioner Ward reported that the Joliet Police are having a meeting with the Timberline Homeowners Association on April 22, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. regarding these issues.

**TRUSTEE BRETT WHEELER** – No report.

**TRUSTEE JOHN THEOBALD** – No report.

**TRUSTEE DONALD WALDEN** – Trustee Walden reported that he attended the Glenwood Homeowners Association meeting on April 14, 2015.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Highway Commissioner Ward reported that Spring Clean Up is complete and that they filled over 500 yards of dumpsters. Work has started on culvers and jetting pipes. JJC's and Will County's Recyclepalooza event was held on April 11<sup>th</sup>. They filled up with the electronic recycling collection long before the event concluded. People had to be turned away and many came to the Highway Department for their electronic recycling.

**ASSESSOR'S REPORT:** In her absence, Administrator Dylik reported for Assessor Anderson that senior freeze forms and disabled renewal forms were sent out the first week of April. To date, staff has processed 233 applications. Tax bills will be mailed May 1<sup>st</sup> with the first installment due June 1<sup>st</sup> and the second due September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Staff continues to work on the quadrennial assessments. Troy Township currently has 20,278 total parcels. Assessment books close on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Appeal season will begin August 5<sup>th</sup> with a deadline to appeal of September 4<sup>th</sup>. With the quadrennial assessment occurring this year and every property owner receiving an assessment notice the number of appeals could increase.

Congratulations to Tam Schwartz who has received her "Certified Illinois Assessing Official" designation. The CIAO designation is no easy task. Tam did a great job and is a true asset to the Assessor's office and the Township as a whole.

**TOWNSHIP COLLECTOR'S REPORT:** No report. Excused absence.

**TOWNSHIP CLERK REPORT:** Clerk Cross reminded all elected officials that their statement of economic interest is due to the County by May 1, 2015.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:** Supervisor Baltz reported that a sponsor has been secured for the purchase of an Automatic External Defibrillator for the Township Offices & Community Center. Alden Estates of Shorewood will sponsor this purchase.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:** Administrator Dylik reported:

- The extensions and rates from the Will County Clerk's Office have been received:
  - For the Road District, the 2014 levy was filed for \$1,234,220 and was limited down to \$1,204,778.49. The 2014 tax rate is 0.0989 up from 0.0958 in 2013 for the Road District.
  - For the Town Fund (including GA), the 2014 levy was filed for \$1,046,120.00 and was limited down to \$1,020,833.55. The 2014 tax rate is 0.0838 up from 0.0812 in 2013.
- As of April 1, 2015, Troy Township is officially no longer a nutrition site for the Meals on Wheels program. The Wednesday/Friday senior program is still. Staff is working on different levels of sponsorships to provide an occasional lunch for our seniors.
- The Clarke Mosquito invoice for the 2015 mosquito season totals \$17,443.21. The cost is up 2% or \$342.02 from the prior year.
- Highway Commissioner Ward and Administrator Dylík are working on applying for grant funding through the 2016 Local Rail Highway Crossing Safety Program and also through the ICC 2016-2020 Crossing Safety Improvement Program for crossing gates at the County Line Road Rail Road Crossing.
- The next Troy Township Shredding Event will be on Saturday, May 2nd from 9am to 11am.
- Administrator Dylík, Assessor Anderson, Clerk Cross and Trustee Walden will all be attending TOI's TOPICS day on Tuesday, May 5th.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

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

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) Clerk Cross placed the Annual Town Meeting Minutes from April 14, 2015 on file with the Board. Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Theobald to place the Annual Town Meeting minutes on file. Motion carried.
- b) Supervisor Baltz presented Resolution 15-16R-01 a resolution approving an agreement between Township Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz and Highway Commissioner Thomas R. Ward approving three months of the Highway Commissioner's Salary to be paid by the Road and Bridge Fund for the Fiscal Year 2015-2016. Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Walden to approve Resolution 15-16R-01. Roll Call Vote. Ryan-nay; Theobald-aye; Walden-aye; Wheeler – aye; Baltz-aye. 4 Ayes. 1 Nay. 0 Absent. Motion carried.
- c) Supervisor Baltz presented Ordinance 15-16-02 an ordinance to approve the Tentative Road and Bridge Budget for the 2015-2016 FY beginning April 1, 2015. Motion made by Trustee Ryan; seconded by Trustee Theobald to approve Resolution 15-16-02. Roll Call Vote. Ryan-aye; Theobald-aye; Walden-aye; Wheeler –aye; Baltz-aye. 5 Ayes. 0 Nay. 0 Absent. Motion carried.
- d) Supervisor Baltz presented Ordinance 15-16-03 an ordinance to approve the Tentative Town Fund Budget which Includes Town, Assessor and General Assistance for the 2015-2016 FY beginning April 1, 2015. Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Ryan to approve Resolution 15-16-02. Roll Call Vote. Ryan-aye; Theobald-aye; Walden-aye; Wheeler –aye; Baltz-aye. 5 Ayes. 0 Nay. 0 Absent. Motion carried.

No other new business presented.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

Motion made by Trustee Ryan; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the **TOWN FUND & ASSESSOR'S BILLS** for **March 17, 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Walden to accept the **GENERAL ASSISTANCE BILLS** for **March 17, 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Theobald to accept the **ROAD AND BRIDGE BILLS** for **March 17, 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Ryan; seconded by Trustee Theobald to accept the **TOWN FUND & ASSESSOR'S BILLS** for **March 27, 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Walden to accept the **ROAD AND BRIDGE BILLS** for **March 27, 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the **TOWN FUND & ASSESSOR'S BILLS** for **April 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Ryan to accept the **GENERAL ASSISTANCE BILLS** for **April 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the **ROAD AND BRIDGE BILLS** for **April 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

No items for closed session.

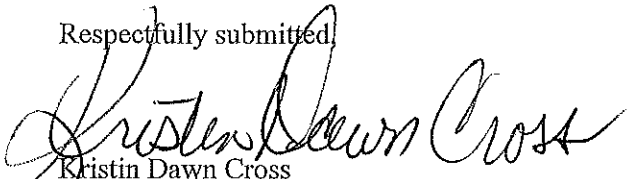
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

No announcements.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Walden to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kristin Dawn Cross  
Clerk

