

Minutes of the Troy Township Board Meeting
Monday, December 14, 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:

Present were:	Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz	Clerk Kristin Dawn Cross
	Trustee Larry Ryan	Trustee Donald Walden
	Trustee Brett Wheeler	Highway Commissioner Tom Ward
	Assessor Kimberly Anderson	Collector Bryan Kopman
Absent were:	Trustee John Theobald - EA	EA – Excused Absence; L – Late Arrival A – Absent

Also in Attendance: Administrator Jennifer Dylak

Quorum is established.

Supervisor Baltz opened the meeting for citizen comment and introduced special guest Illinois State Senator Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant. Senator Bertino-Tarrant presented Trustee Walden with a resolution passed by the Illinois State Senate honoring him for his recent Township Trustees' of Illinois "Excellence in Public Service" award. The resolution honoring Walden was sponsored in the Illinois State Senate by Senator Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant and Senator Pat McGuire. Supervisor Baltz presented Mrs. Walden with a bouquet and thanked her for sharing Don's time with the township and with all of the other organizations that Don serves with.

Supervisor Baltz asked three more times for additional comments then closed the meeting for citizen comment.

Motion made by Trustee Ryan; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the **MINUTES** of the November 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:

- Christmas cards from:
 - Will County Emergency Management Agency
 - Troy Fire Protection District
 - Kenneth J. Kogut and Associates
 - Candos Agency
- From the Office of the Circuit Court Clerk, fine money for the Road District totaling \$145.02 for the period of October 1, 2015 to October 31, 2015.

- From the Office of the Circuit Court Clerk, fine money for the Road District totaling \$52.37 for the period of November 1, 2015 to November 30, 2015.
- TOIRMA newsletter.
- Clarke Mosquito 2015 Annual Report.
- Joliet Township High School 2014-2015 Annual Report.
- Will County Center for Community Concerns newsletter.
- Will County Center for Independent Living newsletter.
- The Timbers of Shorewood newsletter.
- Illinois Municipal Review newsletter.
- Enbridge Safety Report to the Community newsletter.

GADGET GURUS 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 expressed his gratitude for his award and for the resolution stating that these accomplishments could not be achieved without the support of and being surrounded by people like those on the Troy Township Board. Trustee Walden reported that the VAC has moved to 2400 Glenwood Ave. in Joliet.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT: Highway Commissioner Ward reported that crews are doing ditch work and getting equipment ready for the snow season. Leaf services have ended and the last leaf box has been taken out.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Assessor Anderson reported that the last Board of Review hearing was December 10th. The total number of residential complaints this year was 150, of which 9 resulted in actual hearings. The total number of commercial/industrial complaints this year was 110, of which only 8 resulted in actual hearings. Agreements were made with the rest. A great deal of time was spent working the taxpayers and their attorneys to come to reasonable resolutions of these appeals. Assessor Anderson complimented her staff for how well the appeal season was handled. Given the fact that it was a quadrennial year there were a lot of extra phone calls and people coming into the office as well as appeals.

Staff has completed documenting each property record card with the quadrennial assessment information on our 20,000+ properties. Staff will begin to resume their normal day-to-day duties which include drawings and photos of all properties; these drawings and photos will be transferred to the website.

Residential new construction for 2015 totaled 126. Seventeen properties are left to be completed in Shorewood Glen which will complete that neighborhood. The Fields and Edgewater 4 neighborhoods are nearing completion as well. The Shorewood Towne Center is building and there has been an increase in custom neighborhoods as well. Commercial/industrial for 2015 includes 18-Wheeler in Channahon, BMW Rental in Channahon, Bob's Discount Furniture warehouse in the Heartland Center and a new gas station in front of Wal-Mart on Route 59. Coming in 2016 thus far is Lenny's Gas and Wash, Alden Memory Care, a driver training facility on McDonald Ave., and a Noodles & Company and mattress store will be located where the Dominick's gas station once stood. There will also be a smaller warehouse in the Heartland complex.

Staff has been participating in the "Jeans for Charity" program over the last year and will make a contribution to CASA of Will County at next month's board meeting. Any elected officials wishing to contribute should do so prior to the meeting.

TOWNSHIP COLLECTOR'S REPORT: No report.

TOWNSHIP CLERK REPORT: No report.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Supervisor Baltz reported that preparation for the 2016-2017 budgets will begin soon and any suggestions for the budget should be sent to Administrator Dylík as soon as possible. Supervisor Baltz intends to send out a tentative budget in February and for Finance Committee meetings to begin in March.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Administrator Dylík reported:

- The nutrition program with KCCSI will start up Wednesday, December 16th. KCCSI will sponsor the Troy Township seniors' holiday party to be held in the Community Center. This will be the kickoff event for the nutrition program.
- The Troy Township employee holiday lunch is Thursday, December 17th at noon.
- Articles for the spring 2016 edition of the Troy Township Communicator will be due by February 11th.
- Troy Township will participate in the Shorewood Glen Business Expo. The Expo will be held on Saturday, March 12th from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. All elected officials are invited to attend and help staff the township booth.
- The Supervisor's office, Assessor's Office, Highway Department and Community Center will be closed on Friday, December 25th for Christmas, Friday, January 1st for New Year's Day, and Monday, January 18th for Martin Luther King Day.

OLD BUSINESS:

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

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Supervisor Baltz presented Ordinance 15-16-14 an ordinance levying taxes for all road purposes for Troy Road District, Will County, Illinois, for the tax year 2015, collectible in 2016 in the amount of \$1,263,813.00. Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Ryan to approve Ordinance 15-16-14. Roll call vote: Ryan-aye; Theobald-absent; Walden-aye; Wheeler-aye; Baltz-aye. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.
- b) Supervisor Baltz presented Ordinance 15-16-15 an ordinance levying taxes for all town purposes for Troy Township, Will County, Illinois, for the tax year 2015, collectible in 2016 in the amount of \$1,070,855.00. Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Ryan to approve Ordinance 15-16-15. Roll call vote: Ryan-aye; Theobald-absent; Walden-aye; Wheeler-aye; Baltz-aye. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

- c) Supervisor Baltz presented the Pace Paratransit Local Share Agreement for the term beginning January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2016 for approval. Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to approve the Pace Paratransit Local Share Agreement for 2016. Roll call vote: Ryan-aye; Theobald-absent; Walden-aye; Wheeler-aye; Baltz-aye. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.
- d) Supervisor Baltz presented the 2016 Troy Township Travel Policy memo for approval. Motion made by Trustee Ryan; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to approve the 2016 Troy Township Travel Policy. Roll call vote: Ryan-aye; Theobald-absent; Walden-aye; Wheeler-aye; Baltz-aye. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 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 **December 14, 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Ryan to accept the **GENERAL ASSISTANCE BILLS** for **December 14, 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Walden to accept the **ROAD AND BRIDGE BILLS** for **December 14, 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

No items for closed session.

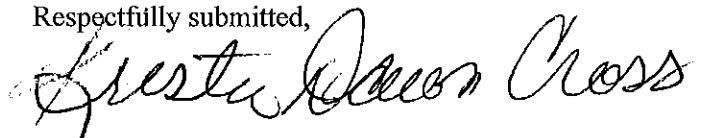
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Supervisor Baltz announced the next meeting of the Troy Township Board will be on Monday, January 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Supervisor Baltz wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Trustee Ryan; seconded by Trustee Walden to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kristin Dawn Cross
Clerk

