

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN ELECTORS

April 11, 2017
7:00 p.m.

The Town Clerk Kristin Dawn Cross called the meeting to order and the pledge to the flag was led by Kim Anderson.

Clerk Cross announced that legal notification of the Annual Town Meeting was published in the March 24, 2017, edition of the Joliet Herald News, was posted at the Troy Township Community Center, and was posted at three public locations around the township; the Village of Shorewood, the Shorewood-Troy Public Library; and the Joliet Public Library on Black Road. The Annual Town Meeting notice was published on the Township website at www.troytownship.com. Information about the Annual Town Meeting was published in the Troy Township Communicator Spring 2017 edition that was mailed to the residential homes in the Township.

Clerk Cross announced that the first item of business was the election of a Town Moderator and called for nominations.

A motion was made by Brett Wheeler that George Muentnich act as Moderator. Lawrence Ryan, Jr. seconded the motion. There were no further nominations. Nominations were closed and a vote was taken. Motion carried.

The following oath was administered to the Moderator. "I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of Moderator at this Town Meeting to the best of my ability, so help me God."

Moderator Muentnich instructed that the minutes from the April 12, 2016, Annual Town meeting be approved. He asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Kim Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Lawrence Ryan, Jr. Motion carried.

Moderator Muentnich then announced that the following items of business would be acted upon at this meeting.

- a. Accounts of the Supervisor
- b. Financial statements of the Supervisor
- c. Accounts of the Highway Commissioner
- d. Financial Reports
- e. Disposition of Surplus Items
- f. Town Meeting Announcement

Supervisor Baltz announced that he would be covering items a, b, c and d and with that placed the unaudited preliminary Supervisor's Annual Financial Statement as of March 31, 2017, the inventory list, and the preliminary Annual Treasurer's Reports for the Highway Department, Assessor's Department and Town Administration on file with the Clerk.

Clerk Cross made copies of the unaudited preliminary financial reports available to the public.

Supervisor Baltz gave a brief summary of the past year for the Township (attached) noting that this was the 168th annual meeting of Troy Township.

Motion made by Lawrence Ryan, III to declare the following items as surplus and for the items to be donated to a worthwhile charitable organization.

- Town Fund/Supervisor's Office – One artificial Christmas tree, no lights.
- Town Fund/Assessor's Office – One Dell monitor with serial number ending in 45GS.
- Town Fund/Assessor's Office – One Acer monitor with serial number ending in 85OA

The motion for surplus items was seconded by Lawrence Ryan, Jr. Motion carried.


Moderator Muentnich announced that the next Annual Town Meeting would be Tuesday, April 10, 2018.

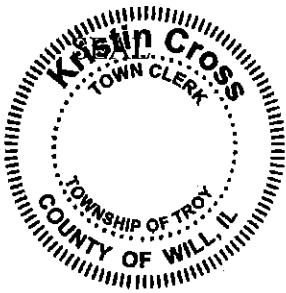
Moderator Muentnich asked for any citizen comments. After no comments were made he asked for a motion to adjourn.

Tom Ward made a motion for adjournment; seconded by Lawrence Ryan, Jr. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Kristin Dawn Cross
Town Clerk


George Muentnich
Moderator



**Troy Township Year in Review
168^h Annual Town Meeting
April 11, 2017
Report from Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz**

Financial Summary:

R&B – Revenue was 86.99% of budget. Expenses were 55.52% of budget.

Town – Revenue was 101.76% of budget. Expenses were 91.84% of budget.
Assessor – Expenses were 85.36% of budget.

GA– Revenue was 102.08% of budget. Expenses were 53.3% of budget.

Overall the 2016-2017 fiscal year has again been very positive for the township. The Town Fund specifically has been working over the past six years to build up its ending cash/carry-over/reserve balance. I'm proud to say that the ending cash balance of the town fund is now equal to approximately 5.8 months of a reserve balance (our goal is six months). This is very positive news for the township and enhances our financial stability.

During the 2016-2017 fiscal year our Assessor's office experienced a record number of appeals due to home rental companies that filed. 2016 was also the first year for the new County Board of Review filing portal. Assessor Anderson and her staff did an excellent job working hard to handle the increased number of appeals and to learn the new system. Additionally, congratulations to Julie Thomas who received her CIAO designation in the fall of 2016.

On the Supervisor's side, staff continued to work on expanding program and services for township residents and the Community Center saw record numbers for rental income.

The Gadget Gurus started a collaborative effort with the Village of Shorewood, Shorewood-Troy Public Library, and Casanova Information Services to broaden their reach and scope of topics offered. Over the year classes they offered included Password Management, Windows 10, Linux Mint Operating System, Flickr, Folder and File Management, Video Calls, and much more.

Our regular programs like the Shredding Event, Mobile Drivers Services Unit, AARP Safe Drivers class, and the AARP Tax Preparation continue to be very successful.

Book Buddies, a new partnership with the Shorewood-Troy Public Library, started in April 2016. This program pairs older adults with preschool age children in the local community as "book buddies". The "book buddies" will read books to one another, talk about the stories, and end the time with a craft which they can do together.

The Troy Township Seniors celebrated their 30th anniversary in 2016 and commemorated the event with a special lunch in June and a Senior Open House in October. The senior group has enjoyed numerous theme parties and celebrations since the township welcomed Angela Scaggs as the Senior Director in April. Angela started a movie day and a game day (alternating months) for our seniors and so far they have enjoyed seeing Grumpy Old Men and My Big Fat Greek Wedding and have enjoyed game days

including Bingo and Left, Center Right. The seniors enjoyed a fall bus trip to the Morton Arboretum and have benefited from seminars from the Citizens Utility Board and Medicare just to name a few.

Staff at the township conducted early voting for the both November Presidential election and the recent April consolidated election. Residents turned out in record numbers for the Presidential election. Our staff assisted 994 voters during this time.

Conclusion:

In conclusion, I'd like to thank each and every one for our elected officials for their contributions and service. Assessor Anderson and her staff continue to do a great job. Highway Commissioner Ward and his crews continue to go above and beyond for our residents. Thank you to Clerk Cross, our Trustees and our Collector for your service and dedication to the Township. And most of all, thank you to each and every one of our staff members who work diligently every day on behalf of our residents to make Troy Township a great place to live.