

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

State of Illinois  
Lake County  
Town of West Deerfield

DATE: February 19, 2008

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of West Deerfield Township was called to order by Supervisor Julie Morrison at 7:00pm. This meeting was held at the West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield, Illinois.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Julie Morrison. Roll Call was taken by Clerk Robbie Boudreau. Present were Trustees: Adrienne Johnson, Ron Levitsky, Bob Rosenbacher, Ron Schwartz, Supervisor Julie Morrison, Clerk Robbie Boudreau and Assessor Steve Stanger.

### MINUTES

Trustee Schwartz moved to approve the minutes from the January meeting. Trustee Levitsky seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Steve Stanger announced his intentions to retire as West Deerfield Township Assessor. Stanger highlighted the requirements needed for the position and indicated several candidates that might be considered for the job. Stanger announced his intention to leave as soon as his house sells, which may occur prior to the end of his term (December 31, 2009). Discussion took place regarding the steps needed to identify the best candidate for the position.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Tree Preservation Ordinance

Trustee Rosenbacher moved to approve the Tree Preservation Ordinance as amended by the Board. Trustee Levitsky seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the motion carried: Levitsky (aye), Rosenbacher (aye), Schwartz (aye), Morrison (aye) and Johnson (aye).

#### B. Vehicle Fee Ordinance

Trustee Levitsky moved to approve the Vehicle Fee Ordinance. Trustee Schwartz seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the motion carried: Levitsky (aye), Rosenbacher (aye), Schwartz (aye), Morrison (aye) and Johnson (aye).

#### C. Tentative Budget

Supervisor Morrison presented revisions to the tentative budget for 2008-2009. Discussion followed. The Board agreed to increase funding for Community Service and designate funds for loan retirement. The Board also agreed to reduce funding for roads and boost interest income. A public hearing on the Tentative Town Budget will take place at West Deerfield Township on Tuesday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m.

#### D. Endorsement of Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Greenest Region Compact

The Board moved to support the Mayors Caucus rather than provide a formal endorsement deemed more appropriate to municipalities. West Deerfield Township will promote our support through the website, newsletter and letters to village managers in our Township. Roll call was taken and the motion carried: Levitsky (aye), Rosenbacher (aye), Schwartz (aye), Morrison (aye) and Johnson (aye).

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Proposal of New Counsel**

Supervisor Morrison recommended appointing Stahl/Cowen as West Deerfield Township counsel effective April 1. Trustee Schwartz moved to approve the appointment. Trustee Rosenbacher seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the motion carried: Levitsky (aye), Rosenbacher (aye), Schwartz (aye), Morrison (aye) and Johnson (abstain).

### **B. Adoption of Resolution adopting PACE's drug and alcohol policy**

Supervisor Morrison recommended adoption of PACE's drug and alcohol policy. Discussion followed. Levitsky moved to approve the policy adoption. Schwartz seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the motion carried: Levitsky (aye), Rosenbacher (aye), Schwartz (aye), Morrison (aye) and Johnson (abstain).

### **C. Senior Van Program Approval of Lease**

Supervisor Morrison presented an update on the Senior Van Program and recommended a lease program through Pace. Discussion followed and the Board will begin to raise awareness for the new program through various channels. Trustee Rosenbacher moved to approve the lease. Trustee Levitsky seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the motion carried: Levitsky (aye), Rosenbacher (aye), Schwartz (aye), Morrison (aye) and Johnson (aye).

## **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

Supervisor Morrison updated the Board regarding 1) changes in Emergency Assistance residency requirements, 2) a new, high-yielding C.D. for Township investment funds, 3) website enhancements, 4) archiving, 5) dismissal of the UDO amendment, 6) Community Family Center meeting which Trustee Johnson will attend on February 28 from 7:30-9:00 p.m., 7) Food Pantry clients and 8) the continued relevance of the existing inter-governmental agreement with Vernon Township. Clerk Boudreau updated the Board on election results from the Feb 5 General Primary.

## **OPEN DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD**

West Deerfield Township board members will be attending the April 16<sup>th</sup> Townships of Illinois meeting in Palatine.

## **AUDIT and APPROVAL of BILLS**

A motion to accept and approve the bills was made by Trustee Schwartz. Trustee Rosenbacher seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the motion carried: Levitsky (aye), Rosenbacher (aye), Schwartz(aye), Morrison (aye) and Johnson (aye).

There being no further business, Supervisor Morrison moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. The next Board Meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 18, 2008 following the Public Hearing on the Tentative Budget at 7:00 p.m. at West Deerfield Township, Deerfield, Illinois.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Boudreau  
West Deerfield Township Clerk