

WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

State of Illinois
Lake County
Town of West Deerfield

DATE: August 18, 2015

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Feiger. Roll call was taken by Clerk Kristen Scott. Present were Trustees Ron Levitsky, Ron Schwartz, Jack Strom and Marc Brown; Supervisor Feiger; and Clerk Scott.

Also present at the Supervisor's request was Township attorney Keri-Lyn Krafthefer.

MINUTES

Trustee Schwartz motioned to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2015 meeting. Supervisor Feiger seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a voice vote was taken. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

OLD BUSINESS

A. For discussion and potential action: Resolution to transfer funds to Road Fund

Ms. Krafthefer explained that it is advisable for the Township to pass a Resolution designating monies specifically for repair and maintenance of roads within the Township's governance. She further noted that West Deerfield Township typically contracts its road work to Vernon Township; and that a more detailed schedule, showing amounts accumulated and anticipated expenditures, will be forthcoming from Vernon. Discussion followed, with several pertinent questions and comments from Board members. Supervisor Feiger motioned to approve Resolution 2015-3, creating and maintaining a Road and Drainage Fund line item and accumulating \$20,000 per year, in addition to \$58,000 already allocated for 2015 for this account by the Board. Trustee Strom seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, roll call was taken by Clerk Scott: Trustee Levitsky (aye); Trustee Strom (aye); Trustee Schwartz (aye); Trustee Brown (aye); and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the Resolution was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Feiger apprised the Board of matters of interest, noting 1) the Healthy Lifestyle Expo, co-sponsored by West Deerfield Township and the Deerfield-Bannockburn-Riverwoods Chamber of Commerce, will be held Saturday, September 12; the Township's new caseworker, Pamela Patinkin, who will begin work September 8, will represent the Township with Supervisor Feiger and any Trustees interested in attending; 2) the office has received several new Emergency Assistance and General Assistance clients in the last month; 3) that she is discussing with Township Officials of Illinois Educational Director Jerry Crabtree the possibility of National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) presenting CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) training at the TOI annual conference; 4) distributing for Trustees' review several thank you notes received from Food Pantry and assistance clients; 5) the annual grant from the Healthcare Foundation of Highland Park to help fund the Township's Going Places van service was received last month; 6) Food Pantry Board president Bob Rosenbacher would have his convertible at the Deerfield Farmer's Market on August 29, asking patron to fill it with groceries for the pantry; 7) the Optimist Club of Deerfield gave Kohl's gift certificates to Food Pantry families again this year for the purchase of children's back-to-school shoes and clothing, and asked each Board member to sign a thank you card to the Optimists; 8) a forum will be held on October 8, 7-9 p.m. at the Patty Turner Center, that the Township will co-sponsor with Senator Julie Morrison on medical marijuana legislation and how this will impact potential dispensaries within the Township; and 9) noted that she appreciates the Township staff and how hard they work to help residents and assistance clients on an individual, everyday basis.

OPEN DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD

Trustee Levitsky asked if dates for the NAMI seminars the Township is sponsoring have yet been set; Supervisor Feiger responded that dates were close to being finalized. Trustee Levitsky also reminded the Board of the low cost Pet Vaccination Clinic to be held the morning of Saturday, September 26 at Jewett Park Community Center.

AUDIT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

Following brief discussion, Trustee Strom motioned to approve the bills as presented. Trustee Levitsky seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, roll call was taken: Trustee Levitsky (aye); Trustee Strom (aye); Trustee Schwartz (aye); Trustee Brown (nay); and Supervisor Feiger (aye). The majority being in favor the motion was approved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Supervisor Feiger moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Levitsky seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken; all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will take place on Thursday, September 17, 2015, at 7 p.m., at the West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield, Illinois.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Scott
West Deerfield Township Clerk