Minutes of the Troy Township Board Meeting Monday, January 28, 2013 7 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 Collector Ethridge.

Roll call taken.

Present were:

Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz

Trustee Larry Ryan

Assessor Kim Anderson

Trustee Brett Wheeler

Trustee John Theobald

Highway Commissioner Tom Ward

Collector Kristin Ethridge

Absent were:

Clerk Jim McFarland-EA

EA - Excused Absence; L - Late Arrival

Trustee Donald Walden-EA

Also in Attendance:

Administrator Jennifer Dylik

Quorum is established.

Jennifer Dylik, Deputy Clerk, will serve in the absence of Clerk McFarland.

Due to the presence of some special guests in the audience, Supervisor Baltz announced that he would deviate from the agenda and proceed to New Business Item A.

Supervisor Baltz presented Resolution 12-13R-13 A Resolution Honoring John Rulec. Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept Resolution 12-13R-13. Roll Call Vote: Ryan-Aye; Wheeler-Aye; Theobald-Aye; Baltz-Aye. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Resolution 12-13R-13 has passed.

Highway Commissioner Ward said a few words about John Rulec's passing, his positive impact on the Township and also accepted the Resolution on behalf of John's family.

Supervisor Baltz opened the meeting for citizen comments and welcomed CASA of Will County's Executive Director, Rita Facchina, to speak.

Ms. Facchina gave a brief presentation to the Board about CASA of Will County, their positive impact on our community and asked to be considered for a possible donation to assist with funding. Supervisor Baltz commented that the Board will consider their request during the Board's budget preparation for the 2013-2014 fiscal year.

Supervisor Baltz introduced the Board to Eric Felgenhauer, from the Candos Agency. Mr. Felgenhauer will now serve as the Township's agent for health and dental insurance.

Supervisor Baltz asked for any other citizen comments. After asking three times for any citizen comments, Supervisor Baltz closed the meeting for citizen comment.

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the <u>MINUTES</u> of the December 17, 2012, **Board meeting**. Motion carried.

Supervisor Baltz presented the minutes of the closed session from December 17, 2012, for approval. The closed session was held to discuss personnel and litigation and the minutes are to remain closed.

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Ryan to accept the <u>MINUTES</u> of the December 17, 2012, **closed session**. 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 from Chris More who used the community center for a Christmas function for kids who have parents with cancer.
- Thank you card from Karen and Joe Rulec.
- Christmas card from Tim Dodge.
- Letter from Representative Larry Walsh, Jr.
- Letter from Senior Services Center of Will County about closing nutrition sites on Wednesdays.
- Letter from the Circuit Clerk for the receipt of fine money totaling \$131.14 for the period December 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012.
- Will County Board of Review Properties going to PTAB
 - o Citgo Gas Station 91 Airport Rd.
 - o Joliet Inn Frontage Road
 - o Target Rt. 59
 - o Caterpillar Property McDonough St.
- TOI Topics Day will be on Tuesday, May 7, 2013.
- Newsletter from The Timbers of Shorewood
- Township Perspective January edition

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Ryan to accept the **TOWN FUND BILLS** for January as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Ryan; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the ASSESSOR'S BILLS for January as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the GENERAL ASSISTANCE BILLS for January as presented. Motion carried.

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

<u>CYBER NICHE REPORT:</u> – Mr. Lynch reported that participation has been low but that he is hopeful that some warmer weather will bring more people out. Feedback is still very positive and the Township's semi-annual newsletter tends to increase awareness about the program.

REPORTS OF TRUSTEES / COMMITTEES:

TRUSTEE LARRY RYAN -No report.

TRUSTEE BRETT WHEELER - No report.

TRUSTEE JOHN THEOBALD - No report.

TRUSTEE DONALD WALDEN - No report.

<u>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT</u>: Highway Commissioner Ward reported that during the cold weather, staff has been inside the shop doing maintenance on equipment. When the weather improves, crews will be back out trimming trees.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Assessor Anderson reported that she and Chief Deputy Assessor Scott Koca attended the annual assessor's meeting, hosted by Will County, in December. The meeting included a review of what has transpired in 2012 and reports on what changes can be expected for 2013. New for 2013 is an electronic way for the Assessor to review the General Homestead Exemption which, was all previously done on paper. Training sessions with Rosemary are going well and Joe Oldani has been onsite doing training on the new CAMA system. In the Fields of Shorewood, Ryland Homes will be purchasing an additional 25 lots. Ryan Homes has reached an agreement with the Village of Shorewood and will be building 50 plus homes in the Towne Center. Kipling has purchased some lots off of Theodore in the Fall Creek Subdivision. Assessor Anderson distributed her tentative budget of funds needed for the 2013-2014 fiscal year.

TOWNSHIP COLLECTOR'S REPORT: No report.

TOWNSHIP CLERK REPORT: No report.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Supervisor Baltz distributed the Community Room calendar.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATORS REPORT: Administrator Dylik reported that Senior Services Center of Will County will be closing their nutrition sites on Wednesdays staring January 30th. Currently, the State of Illinois is behind on payment to the Center, owing approximately \$120,000 for the funding of the Meals on Wheels program. Therefore, starting Wednesday, January 30th and continuing indefinitely, the meal program will not operate on Wednesdays. Our center will remain open but the hot lunch (Meals on Wheels) program will not be offered.

The Township will again participate in the Shorewood Glen Business Expo. The expo will be held on Saturday, March 23rd from 10a.m. to 1p.m. All elected officials are invited to attend and help staff the booth.

The Township will once again conduct early voting for the April 9th consolidated election. Voting will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday starting on Monday, March 25th and will

end on Friday, April 5th. There will be no early voting on Friday, March 29th due to our office being closed for Good Friday.

The Township has taken steps to improve our communication methods with our residents and has started a Facebook page. Additionally, the Township will be using the services of Constant Contact for email marketing. Both tools will be used to communicate information about Township events, programs and services as well as to share important community information and news.

Township Officials of Illinois has announced that Topics Day will be on Tuesday, May 7th. Topics Day is an opportunity for Township Officials to meet in Springfield and visit with their legislators to discuss issues currently at hand for their township.

The Township offices and community center will be closed on Tuesday, February 12th in honor of Lincoln's Birthday and on Monday, February 18th for President's Day.

As a reminder, due to the President's Day holiday on the 18th, the Township's scheduled board meeting will be on February 25th.

OLD BUSINESS:

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Baltz presented Resolution 12-13R-14 A Resolution Approving the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Township of Troy and the County of Will, Illinois, for the Troy Township Highway Department to operate and maintain a site to collect and store traditional recyclables and electronic recyclables on behalf of the County for a three year term beginning January 28, 2013.

A short discussion was had regarding the how successful the recycling program has been to date and how it has been very beneficial to Township residents. Trustee Ryan asked if the \$500 reimbursement was a one-time reimbursement during the three years. Highway Commissioner Ward confirmed that yes, it is a one-time reimbursement. Trustee Ryan questioned if the quarterly reimbursement was something that we had been receiving. Administrator Dylik informed the Board that the quarterly reimbursement would be for a site that already has a recycling contract with a vendor before entering into the County agreement. Under those circumstances, the County would reimburse that township for the cost of what the County would pay to have their vendor provide the recycling service. Currently, Troy Township does not pay anything for the recycling dumpsters/containers that are on-site at the Highway Department. The County incurs the costs for these dumpsters/containers and the servicing of such. The County handles all traditional and electronic recycling. The Township contracts directly with USAgain for the textile recycling. Trustee Ryan asked about insurance coverage for the recycling services. Supervisor Baltz commented that coverage would be provided through TOIRMA. Trustee Ryan asked for an approximate figure of how many man hours are spent on the recycling program each week. Highway Commissioner Ward responded that approximately two man hours per week are spent on recycling.

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Theobald to approve Resolution 12-13R-14. Roll call vote: Ryan-Aye; Wheeler-Aye; Theobald-Aye; Baltz-Aye. 4 Ayes; 0 Nays; 1 Absent. Resolution 12-13R-14 has passed.

Supervisor Baltz asked twice for any other new business. No other new business.

Supervisor Baltz asked for any announcements. No announcements.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Ryan. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully)submitted,

Jim McFarland Town Clerk