

Minutes of the Troy Township Board Meeting
Monday, May 18, 2015
7:05 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 recited during the 7:00 p.m. Public Hearing.

Roll call:

Present were:	Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz	Clerk Kristin Dawn Cross
	Trustee Larry Ryan	Trustee John Theobald
	Trustee Donald Walden	Trustee Brett Wheeler
	Highway Commissioner Tom Ward	Assessor Kimberly Anderson

Absent were:	Collector Sharon Cemen Hicks - EA	EA – Excused Absence; L – Late Arrival A – Absent
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Also in Attendance: Administrator Jennifer Dylak

Quorum is established.

Supervisor Baltz opened the meeting for citizen comment.

After asking three times Supervisor Baltz closed the meeting for citizen comment.

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the **MINUTES** of the April 20, 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:

- Shredding Event compliment posted to Facebook by Leif-Erik Eckersberg.
- Thank you letter from Senator Pat McGuire for the visit during Topics Day.
- Local Revenue Reduction fact sheet from IML.
- TOI Township Perspective Newsletter.
- The Timbers of Shorewood Newsletter.

GADGET GURUS REPORT: – Jim Lynch reported that he received many compliments from the residents of Shorewood Glen regarding the shredding event. The Cyber Niche is now officially the Gadget Gurus. The voicemail and email have been set up and is functioning. The Gurus did have one student earlier this month.

REPORTS OF TRUSTEES / COMMITTEES:

TRUSTEE LARRY RYAN – No report.

TRUSTEE BRETT WHEELER – Trustee Wheeler will report under new business.

TRUSTEE JOHN THEOBALD – No report.

TRUSTEE DONALD WALDEN – Trustee Walden reported that he attended Topics Day and received follow up from our State Reps regarding our concerns.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT: Highway Commissioner Ward reported that crews are busy with tree branch and brush pick-up. Crews are also working on culverts and jetting. A MFT resurfacing project is coming up in the Camelot subdivision as well as on Nadia Drive, Woodridge Ct., and Mattox Lane. Tar and chip resurfacing will be coming up on Shepley Road, Canal Road, County Farm Road, Baltz Road, and Black Road.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Assessor Anderson reported that staff has been extra busy working with seniors this year. Due to a computer glitch at the County, none of the senior exemptions that were applied for in 2014 were reflected on the tax bill. New paperwork needed to be completed and a certificate of error filed. To date, a total of 367 people have been helped with exemption paperwork. Staff has also been busy fielding phone calls due to tax bills increasing. The quadrennial reassessments are going well. The deadline for completion is July 2, 2015. Appeal season will be busy due to the fact that every person who owns property will receive a notice of their assessment. Assessment notices are scheduled to go out the first week of August.

Supervisor Baltz asked if the glitches in the County Recorder's system have been fixed. Assessor Anderson reported that the County is in the process of resolving the issue. Clerk Cross asked Assessor Anderson to expand on the situation starting from the time when the system was rolled out up until now. Assessor Anderson reported that the system was schedule to start in January and as of today, the Assessor's module for printing PTAX forms recorded in a given month is not yet available. With the new system, Assessors are unable to access the necessary sales paperwork needed for assessing or the paperwork is difficult to access. Not having this paperwork in a timely manner slows down the assessment process.

TOWNSHIP COLLECTOR'S REPORT: No report; excused absence.

TOWNSHIP CLERK REPORT: Clerk Cross reported that she attended Topics Day. Clerk Cross complimented State Senator Pat McGuire on his willingness to talk with the Township representatives and noted that the pride he takes in his position shows.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Supervisor Baltz thanked everyone who helped at the shredding event.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Administrator Dylík reported:

- Thank you to Trustee Theobald, Trustee Walden, Supervisor Baltz, Clerk Cross, Highway Commissioner Ward, Assessor Anderson, employees Bob Grey, Tam Schwartz and Ric Pehlke, resident Jim Lynch, and spouses Dan Anderson and Bob Dylík who helped to staff the May 2, 2015, shredding event. 358 cars came through the two hour event. We will be exploring having another truck and/or more bins at the next event to help with the overwhelming turn out. The date for the next shredding event is Saturday, October 3rd.
- Staff member Lisa Imbody and Phil Morel from the Troy Fire Protection District are finishing their training to be Matter of Balance instructors. The Township will partner with Troy FPD to

hold this free 8 week class offered to all township residents to help older township residents learn how to manage falls and increase activity levels. The flyer for the Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls class was distributed.

- Clerk Cross, Trustee Walden and Administrator Dylík attended TOI's TOPICS day on Tuesday, May 5th. Personal visits were conducted with all five of the Township legislators where we expressed our concerns about bills that limit the townships' levying ability, eliminate any part of township government, and increase exemptions. It was a very productive trip.
- Per CSX, the Shepley Road rail road gate crossing project is schedule for construction in July. Dylík reported that an application for crossing gates at County Line Road will be submitted for the Local Rail Highway Safety Crossing program.
- The Troy Township Office, Community Center and Highway Department will be closed on Monday, May 25th for the Memorial Day holiday.

OLD BUSINESS:

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

NEW BUSINESS:

As Chairman of the Health Insurance Committee, Trustee Wheeler reported that the Committee has given consideration to five different health insurance plans and that after a thorough review, the Committee recommends that the Township renew its current policy with Humana for the July 1, 2015, renewal.

- a) Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Ryan to renew with Humana for the Township's July 1, 2015, health insurance renewal. Roll Call Vote. Ryan-aye; Theobald-aye; Walden-aye; Wheeler -aye; Baltz-aye. 5 Ayes. 0 Nay. 0 Absent. Motion carried.

Trustee Wheeler reported that the Health Insurance Committee recommends that the Township renewal its vision insurance coverage with EyeMed, effective August 1, 2015, for a four year term.

- b) Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Ryan to renew with EyeMed for the Township's August 1, 2015, vision insurance renewal for a four year term. Roll Call Vote. Ryan-aye; Theobald-aye; Walden-aye; Wheeler -aye; Baltz-aye. 5 Ayes. 0 Nay. 0 Absent. Motion carried.

No other new business presented.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Ryan to accept the **TOWN FUND & ASSESSOR'S BILLS** for **May 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to accept the **GENERAL ASSISTANCE BILLS** for **May 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Walden; seconded by Trustee Theobald to accept the **ROAD AND BRIDGE BILLS** for **May 2015** as presented. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION:

No items for closed session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Trustee Theobald; seconded by Trustee Wheeler to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kristin Dawn Cross
Clerk

