# ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN ELECTORS

April 12, 2016 7:00 p.m.

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

Clerk Cross announced that Legal Notification of the Annual Town Meeting was published in the March 25, 2016, edition of the Joliet Herald News and was also posted at three public locations around the township. The Annual Town Meeting notice was published on the Township website at <a href="https://www.troytownship.com">www.troytownship.com</a>. Information about the Annual Town Meeting was published in the Troy Township Communicator Spring 2016 edition that was mailed to Township residents.

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 Gary Good that George Muentnich act as Moderator. Kim Anderson 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 14, 2015, Annual Town Meeting be approved. He asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Carol Walden made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Gary Good. 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 Preliminary Supervisor's Annual Financial Statement as of March 31, 2016 and the vendor list for the Highway Department, Assessor's Department and Town Administration on file with the Clerk. Kim Anderson motioned; seconded by Larry Ryan, that due to the length of the reports they be placed on file with Clerk Cross for audit and inspection by the electors. Motion carried.

Kim Anderson read Supervisor Baltz's written report giving a brief summary of the past year for the Township (attached) noting that this was the 167<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of Troy Township.

Motion made by Kim Anderson to declare the following items as surplus and for the items to be sent to electronic recycling or donated to a worthwhile charitable organization.

- 1994 Hewlett Packard Laser 4 Printer (Assessor)
- 2008 Dell Vostro 200 Computer (Assessor)

The motion for surplus items was seconded by Joe Baltz. Motion carried.

Moderator Muentnich announced that the next Annual Town Meeting would be Tuesday, April 11, 2017.

Tom Ward made a motion for adjournment; seconded by Jim Lynch. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Dawn Cross

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George Muentnich

Moderator

# Troy Township Year in Review 167<sup>h</sup> Annual Town Meeting April 12, 2016 Report from Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz

# Financial Summary:

**R&B** – Revenue was 84.8% of budget. Expenses were 47.9% of budget. Net income was \$73,875.74 vs. a budgeted net income of (\$559,845.00).

**Town** – Revenue was 101.6% of budget. Expenses were 89.2% of budget. Assessor – Expenses were 87.1% of budget. Net income for the town fund was \$30,515.00 vs. a budgeted net income of (\$111,405.00).

**GA**—Revenue was 97.8% of budget. Expenses were 58.8% of budget. Net income was \$6,348.88 vs. a budgeted net income of (\$15,845.00).

Overall the 2015-2016 fiscal year has been very positive for the township as a whole. All funds came in under budget on expenses and as noted above ended the year with net positive incomes. The Town Fund specifically has been working over the past five 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 3.7 months of a reserve balance. This is very positive news for the township and enhances our financial stability.

### Projects & Programs:

During the 2015-2016FY the town fund successfully complete the replacement of the flat roof over the southern, older, portion of the building. That project was completed under budget as well.

Additional highlights of new programs, services, or classes started are:

- Monthly crafters group started.
- Issuing of temporary handicapped parking placards started.
- Senior Lunch Sponsorship Program started to supplement the meals on wheel's program which had ended in early 2015.
- Matter of Balance program was started.
- Cyber Niche was rebranded as the Gadget Gurus and some classes were give on topics such as:
  - o iPhone Tips and Tricks
  - o PDF's
  - o Cloud Computing
- Alden Estates of Shorewood donated an AED for the community center.
- An online calendar of events was launched on our website.
- In December of 2015 the Congregate Meal site for the Meals on Wheels program was reestablished here at Troy Township through KCCSI.

In the summer of 2014 the Township Road District was informed that its grant application to the Local Agency Railway-Highway Grade Crossing Improvement Program for crossing gates at the Shepley Road

crossing was approved. We are excited to say that this project was successfully completed in the fall of 2015, gates are up and fully operational!

In June of 2015 an EF3 tornado hit our neighboring town of Coal City. I am proud to say that our Highway Commissioner Thomas R. Ward took his crew and equipment to assist in the clean-up.

Another change that occurred within our Highway Department was the ending of the Will County Electronic Recycling program in February of 2016. It is our hope that the program can be resurrected one day once changes are made at the state level for adequate funding.

## 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 who has continued her work to digitize our Township's oldest records. Thank you to our Trustees and 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.