

Minutes of the Troy Township Board Meeting
Monday, April 18, 2022
7:20 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 Township Clerk, Larry Ryan.

Roll call:

Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz – Present	Trustee Johnnie Greenwood – Present
Trustee Bryan W. Kopman – Present	Trustee Jerry Nudera – Present
Trustee Brett Wheeler – Excused Absence	

Quorum is established.

Also, in Attendance:

Clerk Larry Ryan	Collector Dawn Damiani
Hwy. Commissioner Thomas R. Ward	Administrator Jennifer Dylik

GUESTS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Supervisor Baltz opened the meeting for the introduction of guests and citizen comments.

After asking a third time, and hearing none, Supervisor Baltz closed the meeting for citizen comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Baltz presented the minutes from the March 21, 2022, regular Board Meeting for approval. After no questions were raised, a motion was made by Trustee Greenwood; seconded by Trustee Nudera to approve the **MINUTES** of the **March 21, 2022, REGULAR BOARD MEETING.**

Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Absent; Baltz-Aye.

4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's Report for the month ending March 31, 2022, was placed on file by Supervisor Baltz. After no questions were raised, a motion was made by Trustee Kopman; seconded by Trustee Greenwood to accept the **TREASURER'S REPORT** for the month ending **March 31, 2022.**

Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Absent; Baltz-Aye.

4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz reviewed the following correspondence with the Board:

- Will County Board of Review Tax Exempt Notice for Big Brothers/Big Sisters application on Fairlane Ave – Joliet.
- Industrial property, PTAB appellant Liberty Illinois LP on Corporate Dr. – Joliet.

- Commercial property, Joliet HI Hotels LLC on Rock Creek Blvd. appealing their property valuation.
- Disability Resource Center – 2022 Open House May 18, 2022, on Infantry Dr.
- Shorewood Newsletter with major announcements of new Village Admin. & Police Chief
- TOI March & April Publications
- Illinois Municipal League Review, April 2022

REPORTS OF TRUSTEES / COMMITTEES:

TRUSTEE JOHNNIE GREENWOOD – No report.

TRUSTEE BRYAN W. KOPMAN – Thank you to the Finance Committee and looking forward to the upcoming Shredding Event.

TRUSTEE JERRY NUDERA – No report.

TRUSTEE BRETT WHEELER – No report.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT: Commissioner Ward reported the following:

- An abbreviated “leaf pick-up” may be performed in the coming days due to the program on hold after inclement weather Fall 2021. Possibly a vac & loader will be used without mounting boxes.
- Cleaning drainage culvert under the CSX Railroad R.O.W. that was causing issues in the Camelot Subd. Substantial blockage cleared with the assistance of Village of Shorewood jetter.
- Spring Clean-up is ongoing scheduled for April 18 – 22.

ASSESSOR’S REPORT: Administrator Dylik placed Assessor Kim Anderson’s report on file. Attached to minutes.

TOWNSHIP CLERK REPORT: Economic Interest completed with County Clerk. O.M.A. still to be completed by a few Board Members.

TOWNSHIP COLLECTOR’S REPORT: No report.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT: Supervisor Joseph Baltz reported the following:

- Applauded hard work of Finance Committee, Building Renovation Committee, and staff.
- Commended efforts by Highway Comm. Ward and Admin. Dylik on the Shepley Road Bridge Project.
- Blood Drive sponsored by IL Representative Larry Walsh Jr. and Troy Township at the Community Center on Tuesday, April 19, 2022, from 3:00pm-6:00pm. Versiti will be operating the collection event.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: Administrator Dylik reported the following:

- Regarding 4817 Frank Dr., the last court date was March 22nd where only one tenant appeared. The judge set the case for trial on April 21st.
- Regular events are returning. On Tuesday, April 12th the Secretary of State Mobile Driver’s Services Unit was here from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.; 43 people attend the Rules of the Road Review Course, 18 driver’s license renewals were processed, 7 state ID cards were issued, 24 vision tests were performed, and three vehicle stickers were issued.
- Renewal offers for dental and health insurance coverage were received. Delta Dental is offering a 0% increase, keeping rates flat. Rates with Delta Dental have not increased since we first converted to their coverage on March 1, 2015. Humana has offered a renewal at a 6.5% increase;

the lowest annual increase ever received from Humana since switching in 2013. Steve Orlando with Mission Insurance Services is still going back to Humana to explore any options for rate relief and is also pricing ACA compliant plans with Blue Cross Blue Shield and United Healthcare for comparison. The budget planned for a potential 15% increase from Delta Dental and a potential 25% increase from Humana.

- Update Shepley Road Bridge Project from Willett Hofmann as of April 14th. Highlights include:
 1. Another public information meeting. The meeting was held 4/5/2022 at the Troy Township Community Center. The meeting was well attended, and additional comments are recorded.
 2. The Service Road design has been revised. This is the road that serves the Perinar properties near the existing bridge.
 3. We met with COMED environmental and COMED transmission. We have the transmission line minimum clearance over the proposed alignment and are working to meet COMED clearance requirements for the proposed roadway design.
 4. The Preliminary Bridge Design and Hydraulic Report is nearly ready to submit. We have submitted the DuPage River hydraulic model to IDOT for review prior to submittal of the PBD&HR. We have added a 3-barrel (3 X 4ft x 12ft openings) to the hydraulic model and design of the roadway alignment. The culvert will relieve backwater north of the new alignment, upstream from the proposed bridge.
 5. The targeted design approval is 06/08/2022 and the targeted letting date is 03/10/2023.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Baltz asked for any old business. After asking for a third time, no old business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS: Supervisor Baltz submitted the following items:

- A) Approval to place on file, the **Minutes from Troy Township Annual Town Meeting for Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.** After asking for discussion (none), a motion was made by Trustee Nudera; seconded by Trustee Greenwood to place on file the **Troy Township Annual Town Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.**
Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Absent; Baltz-Aye.
4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Supervisor Baltz submitted the following bills:

Motion made by Trustee Greenwood; seconded by Trustee Kopman to accept the **TOWN FUND & ASSESSOR'S BILLS for April 18, 2022**, as presented totaling **\$60,155.60**.

Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Absent; Baltz-Aye.
4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Kopman; seconded by Trustee Nudera to accept the **GENERAL ASSISTANCE BILLS for April 18, 2022**, as presented totaling **\$2,755.22**.

Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Absent; Baltz-Aye.
4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Nudera; seconded by Trustee Greenwood to accept the **ROAD AND BRIDGE BILLS for April 18, 2022**, as presented totaling **\$54,911.23**.

Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Absent; Baltz-Aye.

4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: No items for closed session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The following announcements were made:

- a. Shredding Event – Saturday, May 7, 2022, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Community Center)
- b. Next Board Meeting – Monday, May 16, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

No other announcements were made.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Trustee Greenwood; seconded by Trustee Kopman to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:41 p.m.

Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Absent; Baltz-Aye.
4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Ryan, Clerk

Report from Assessor Kim Anderson
Board Meeting
Monday, April 18th

We have NOT yet received our final factor determined by the State of Illinois and Will County for tax year 2022. We have never had to wait this long for a final factor and are certainly hoping with next year being the quadrennial assessment year we get this information much sooner. To reassess over 20,000 parcels is no small task and it literally takes us months to complete. Our deadline with the County is mid-June.

3 PTAB's were received:

Joliet HI Hotels – is the newer Holiday Inn off of Houbolt Road that was built in 2018. Troy and Joliet West as interveners obtained an appraisal for submission to the State to combat the appraisal submitted by the appellant. There is a pretty large difference between the two so there will be negotiations in order that will be completed by the County.

Liberty Illinois – is a 408,000 square foot warehouse located off of Houbolt that submitted PTAB's for 2020-2021 that have been settled by the County for an assessed value lowering of \$171,920. The current value of \$14,545,983 will remain through 2022.

Tomorrow my newest employee Oriana Bravato will begin working 4 days a week. This will complete staffing needs for my department hopefully for a long time to come. It has become increasingly difficult to find staff members let alone retain them. This person found our job opening on the Will County Workforce site. We have done many Facebook posts and eblasts and even went with one temp agency to assist us in finding candidates as well as using Indeed. We were refused by one temp agency due to our starting pay being too low.

I want to thank those of you who are in favor in of the assessor office renovations. This space other than paint and carpet has not been touched since 1985. All Troy Township staff, deserves a nice, clean and functional space to work in. Our Township is certainly not getting any smaller and having adequate and functional space to work in is a necessity to ensure that our taxpayers are getting the services they deserve and ensuring our employees can do their best to make this happen. We certainly are NOT asking for the most expensive top- notch improvements. The Assessor's office has always been very conservative with spending tax dollars and this project does not change that fact.