Minutes of the Troy Township Board Meeting

Monday, August 21, 2023 7:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Troy Township Board of Trustees was held at the Troy Township Community Center, 25448 Seil Road, Shorewood, Illinois.

Supervisor Baltz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Collector Dawn Damiani.

Roll call:

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

Quorum is established.

Also, in Attendance:

| Clerk Larry Ryan | Assessor Kimberly Anderson | Collector Dawn Damiani |
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| | Administrator Jennifer Dylik | |

^{*}Informed that Highway Comm. Ward was attending a fundraiser.

GUESTS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Administrator Dylik and Supervisor Baltz referenced the display of donated school items/supplies. Thankful for the efforts of staff members involved in the process: Cindy, Orianna, and Dan. The school supplies are utilized through the Salvation Army, and distributed by their Joliet Corp.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Baltz presented the minutes from the July 17, 2023, Regular Board Meeting, for approval. After spelling errors were raised or corrections submitted, a motion was made by Trustee Kopman; seconded by Trustee Greenwood to approve the MINUTES of the July 17, 2023, REGULAR BOARD MEETING.

Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Aye; Baltz-Aye. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The **Treasurer's Report** for the month ending **July 31, 2023**, was submitted by Supervisor Baltz, and placed on file. After asking for discussion, no questions were raised, a motion was made by Trustee Kopman; seconded by Trustee Nudera to accept the **TREASURER'S REPORT** for the month ending **July 31, 2023**.

Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Aye; Baltz-Aye. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Baltz reviewed the following correspondence with the Board:

- Thank you note from Nikki Brown who had recently rented the Community Center room to hold a "trunk party" for her son departing for college. Commended the Staff and entire venue.
- Will County Assessors Office received an appeal for the "Heroes West" facility @ 1530 Commercial Dr.
- Received fine money from the Will County Circuit Clerks office.
- Will County Planning & Zoning voted 4:1 in favor of the proposed solar farm on Seil Rd. The item is meeting resistance from the Village of Shorewood and will be before the County Board.
- Clarke Mosquito Report August 2023 Applications scheduled in the coming days.
- Disability Resource Center
- TOI Perspective August 2023

REPORTS OF TRUSTEES / COMMITTEES:

TRUSTEE JOHNNIE GREENWOOD - No report

TRUSTEE BRYAN W. KOPMAN - Wishing everyone a Happy Labor Day.

TRUSTEE JERRY NUDERA - No report,

TRUSTEE BRETT WHEELER - No report.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT: On behalf of Highway Comm. Ward, Admin. Dylik presented the following:

- The recent wind damage that affected the south end of the Township was categorized as an F-1. Crews picked up and handled 100 loads of tree debris.
- Efforts are focused on completing summer projects, and then to preparing for the upcoming leaf season.
- Currently seeking labor staff and advertising the needs on the Township website & Will County Workforce Services.
- A contractor is painting the salt shed and the back of the building.
- Supervisor Baltz shared a story of a Camelot Subd. resident stranded in a vehicle for hours with downed power lines from the storm.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Assessor Anderson presented the following:

- The 2023 Assessments were distributed to all Will County taxpayers.
- Staff have assisted several people with revised assessments. Market values based on a 3-year average are still elevated with "low inventory" heading the list of reasons. Post 2020 sales history (i.e., 2021-2022) reveal escalated values.
- With the September 11th deadline to file, Staff has started to receive appeals. To date, a couple of residents have utilized evening hours appointment.
- Supervisor Baltz and Assessor Anderson commented on the uptick of building in subdivisions that were developed but sat dormant for years.

TOWNSHIP CLERK REPORT: No report.

TOWNSHIP COLLECTOR'S REPORT: No report; however, shared a consensus from others who are opposed to special permitting for the solar farms.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Supervisor Baltz deferred to the Administrator's Report.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Administrator Dylik presented the following:

- The building renovation project: Resolution of the last punch-list item of carpet tiles popping up. Trouble spots have been re-adhered by the installer and inspected daily with no apparent issues the last 5 weeks. There is a lifetime warranty from Shaw. Updated Y-T-D cost summaries were distributed.
- The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) began the process of completing grant paperwork for the \$270,000 initiated by IL State Representative Larry Walsh Jr. These funds will be split 50/50 with the Road District to cover expenses associated with building renovations. Updates will be forthcoming.
- The process for the Decennial Committee meetings is under way, with the Township Committee
 Meeting being held earlier tonight. The Road District Committee will convene on September
 18th. Proposed schedules and Committee members were distributed.
- Levy preparation for the Town and Road District has begun and is scheduled for distribution in mid-September at a Finance Committee Meeting.
- Eagle Scout Project Update Work will commence this week on Logan Kantorski's project to install concrete pads, benches, steppingstones, and landscaping by the flagpole in front.
- The 2023 Fall Township Newsletter is slated for September 18 distribution.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Baltz asked for any items to be addressed under old business. After asking for a third time, no old business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS: Supervisor Baltz submitted the following:

A. Update an "Employee Non-Voting Member" of the Single Waste Hauler Committee, appointing Cindy Stasell to replace Angela Scaggs. After no further discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Nudera; seconded by Trustee Greenwood to accept the Updated Member (Cindy Stasell) to participate in the Single Waste Hauler Committee, as presented.

Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Aye; Baltz-Aye. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Supervisor Baltz submitted the following bills:

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Greenwood to accept the **TOWN FUND & ASSESSOR'S BILLS** for **August 21**, **2023**, as presented totaling \$57,521.11. After review, no other questions were presented.

Roll call vote: Greenwood-Aye; Kopman-Aye; Nudera-Aye; Wheeler-Aye; Baltz-Aye. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Kopman; seconded by Trustee Nudera to accept the GENERAL ASSISTANCE BILLS for August 21, 2023, as presented totaling \$71.58. After review, no questions or discussions were presented.

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

5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Wheeler; seconded by Trustee Nudera to accept the ROAD AND BRIDGE BILLS for August 21, 2023, as presented totaling \$45,152.84.

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

5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: No items presented for closed session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Supervisor Baltz presented the following announcements:

- A) Troy Township Offices, Community Center, Highway Department closed Monday, September 4, 2023, for Labor Day.
- B) Road District Decennial Committee Meeting Monday, September 18, 2023, 5:45pm.
- C) Next Board Meeting Monday, September 18, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Trustee Kopman; seconded by Trustee Greenwood to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:26 p.m.

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

5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

Motion carried.

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Respectfully submitted,