# 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	
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
	Administrator Jennifer Dylik	

<sup>\*</sup>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.

<u>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT</u>: 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup>. 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.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Ryan, Clerk