

**LISLE TOWNSHIP  
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 10, 2012**

**1. Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Town Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Tarulis at 7:30 p.m., at the Lisle Township office, 4711 Indiana Avenue, Lisle, IL.

**2. Pledge Of Allegiance to Flag**

**3. Roll Call**

Physically Present:

Supervisor Richard Tarulis  
Assessor John Trowbridge (arrived at 7:35)  
Highway Commissioner Charles Clarke  
Clerk Robert Klaeren  
Trustee Patti Voras  
Trustee Vito Modica  
Trustee Michael Tams

Present Electronically:

None

Absent:

None

Others Present:

Bill Green  
Jim Vondran  
Sharon Connell  
Rick Rehash  
Mike Riedy  
Terry Loshe  
Lynda Filipello  
Ben Liu  
John Quinn  
Norm Sula  
Sue Burtnette  
Mike Czech

**4. Public Comments** None.

##### **5. Approval of September 12, 2012 Minutes**

Trustee Voras asked that LIHEAP be defined in the minutes and asked that the procedures for the filling the vacant trustee position.

The changes were noted.

Motion to approve the September 12 minutes by Trustee Tams; seconded by Trustee Modica, Motion was unanimously approved.

##### **6. Presentations by Candidates and Discussion to Fill Trustee Vacancy**

Supervisor Tarulis asked that all candidates keep their comments to two to three minutes.

Candidate Connell highlighted her 25 years of residence and detailed her community service.

Candidate Reidy detailed his lifelong residency and 10 years as a member of the Four Lakes Homeowners Association.

Candidate Rekash passed out his resume and mentioned his community involvement.

Candidate Liu emphasized his education and expressed his belief in diversity.

Candidate Sula explained that he had been both a trustee and an employee in the past. He also told the board that he was retiring from the prisoner review board.

Supervisor Tarulis thanked everyone for their time and community service. He then explained that the board would discuss all of the candidates in Executive Session (listed later on the agenda).

##### **7. Sale of 146 N. Sleight Street Property**

The Supervisor reminded the board and the public that no bids were received by the deadline and that ChildServ had agreed to purchase the property for \$380,000.00. This amount was 80% of the appraised value. ChildServ has submitted a standard real estate purchase contract and Supervisor Tarulis asked for the board's approval of the offer.

Trustee Modica motioned for the approval of the transaction. Trustee Tams seconded.

Role call vote

Trustee Voras, Aye; Trustee Modica, Aye; Trustee Tams, Aye; Supervisor Tarulis, Aye.

Supervisor Tarulis said he would inform ChildServ and advise the board on a closing date once one is determined.

## **8. Discussion and Determination of Elected Officials' Salaries for 2013-2017 Term**

Supervisor Tarulis described the Naperville Township process for setting salaries as messy and chaotic. His suggestion was that we freeze all elected officials salaries for the four-year term.

Trustee Voras asked that we discuss each office's salary individually. She further noted that the Township Assessor's salary seemed higher than most. She also noted that we typically strive to be somewhere in the middle of the pack on this issue.

Trustee Modica asked the Assessor if he wanted to comment on Trustee Voras's comment; Assessor Trowbridge responded that he did not feel it was appropriate for him to comment.

Trustee Modica then asked if the township employees had received cost of living raises recently. Supervisor Tarulis answered yes. Highway Commissioner Clarke answered yes. Assessor Trowbridge said that his staff had received a salary increase based on their shifting roles and increased duties as he has sought to increase the efficiency of his office with a reduced head count.

Trustee Tams then posed the question; "What if we, in keeping with conservative principles, cut each salary by 3% for the next four-year term?"

Trustees Modica and Voras both liked the suggestion; then several board members each calculated the new salary amounts.

The amounts agreed to were:  
Supervisor: \$61,110.00  
Clerk: \$ 22,913.00  
Highway Commissioner: \$90,617.00  
Assessor: \$105,536.00

Most on the board double checked the math after the initial reading of the numbers.

Trustee Modica then motioned for approval of the 3% salary decrease for all elected township officials. Trustee Tams seconded.

Role Call:  
Trustee Voras: Aye  
Trustee Modica: Aye  
Trustee Tams: Aye  
Supervisor Tarulis, Nay

## **9. Levy Discussion**

Supervisor Tarulis said that he was preparing the levy and that it would likely be considerably lower, perhaps as much as a million dollars, given the sale of Sleight Street and the large reserve which was being held for a new building, and that he may ask the board for improvements to the assessor's building instead of a new building.

## **10. Staff Reports: Jim Vondran**

Jim Vondran introduced himself as the Assistant to the Supervisor.

His duties are:

He assists the supervisor in many day to day details of the office.

Runs TRIAD, a group that is dedicated to seniors and their safety. He then mentioned that he coordinated earlier this year the Senior Car Care Safety Clinic, one of four annual Triad sponsored events.

Administrates Ride DuPage for the Township.

Mr. Vondran is also responsible for enforcement of township codes such as yard maintenance ordinances.

Passport applications are part of his duties and they are up 17% this year.

Supervisor Tarulis thanked him for his dedication and a chorus of the board members agreed.

## **11. Reports of Elected Officials**

Highway Commissioner Clarke: None

Assessor Trowbridge: None

Supervisor Tarulis:

Asked if the Board liked the board packet it received (all answered yes).

Detailed the Food Drive at Jewel in Lisle and noted Lois Biggins for her dedication.

Mentioned that the parking lot had been restriped to better serve the township residents.

Explained that the Township had received a grant for a wheel chair lift and that he was reviewing how to best install it.

It was also mentioned that the food pantry storage had been moved for greater efficiency and that the volunteers were very appreciative.

## **12. Other Business**

None

### **13. Audit of Expenditures**

Motion by Trustee Tams to audit expenditures; seconded by Trustee Voras. Voice vote: all Ayes.  
Motion passed.

The following expenditures in each fund were reviewed:

Town Fund:	\$60,756.79
General Assistance Fund	\$7,757.67
Road and Bridge Fund	\$43,197.11

Motion by Trustee Tams to approve the audit of the expenditures; seconded by Trustee Modica.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Voras, Modica, Tarulis, Tams

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

### **14. Executive Session**

Motion by Trustee Modica to go to Executive Session for the purpose of discussion to fill a vacancy in office; seconded by Trustee Tams.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Voras, Modica, Tarulis, Tams

Nays: None

Absent: None

Time: 9:15 PM

### **15. Resumption of Regular Meeting**

The Board reconvened at 10:00 P.M.

Trustee Tams motioned that Mike Riedy be appointed to the vacancy in the office of Trustee; seconded by Trustee Voras.

Roll Call Vote:

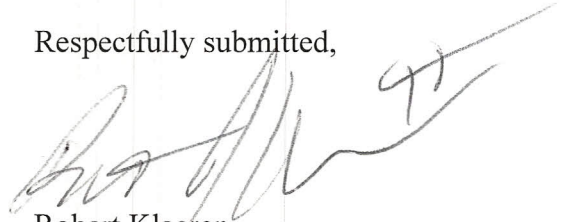
Ayes: Voras, Tams, Tarulis,  
Nays: Modica  
Absent: None

Motion passed.

**16. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Voras, second by Trustee Modica. Voice vote, all in favor.  
Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:03

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Klaeren  
Township Clerk

\*\* Next regular meeting Wednesday, November 14, 2012, at the Lisle Township office \*\*