

LISLE TOWNSHIP

DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

OCTOBER 14, 2009

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

1. Roll Call:

Physically Present:

Supervisor Charles Clarke

Assessor John Trowbridge

Trustee Patti Voras

Trustee Vito Modica

Trustee Robert Klaeren

Trustee Michael Tams

Clerk Richard Tarulis

Present Electronically:

None

Absent:

Highway Commissioner Michael Dow

Others Present:

Jim Vondran

Tom O'Shaughnessy

Bob Longacre

Brandon and Tania Yackle

Virginia Wisdom

Norbert Hessefort

2. Public Comments: Mr. Tom O'Shaughnessy addressed the Board. He said he needed help with a safety issue in front of his house in Hobson Creek. He lives at an intersection on Creek Drive which cars fail to notice and there should be a yield sign. Mr. O'Shaughnessy provided a handout with a map and copy of an e-mail he sent on October 11. Trustees asked questions about why the Highway Dept. wasn't installing the sign, but Mr. Dow has told Mr. O'Shaughnessy that no sign is needed at the end of a cul-de-sac. Mr. Dow is not present, so he cannot address the issue. Mr. Bob Longacre said that the Homeowners' Association does not object to the sign, but does not have an official position. Supervisor Clarke agreed to put the issue on the November agenda.

Mr. Brandon Yackle and Mrs. Yackle addressed the Board about a drainage issue on their property. A neighbor installed a culvert and filled in a ditch, and there is water flowing down their driveway and into their basement window. The Highway Dept. installed a drain in a culvert but it will be insufficient in a heavy storm. Mr. Yackle had several engineers inspect the property and write letters, which he delivered to Mr. Dow. Mr. Dow has refused to take any further action. Mr. Dow is not present and cannot address the issue. Trustees decided to visit the property and view the drainage, and to place the issue on the November agenda.

Ms. Virginia Wisdom addressed Supervisor Clarke. She said that on September 19, 10 days after the September meeting, the minutes of the August meeting were not posted on the Township website. The minutes are supposed to be posted within 7 days after approval. Clerk Tarulis responded that the Township Administrative Assistant posted the minutes as normal on September 10, after the Board approved them, and then went on vacation. When she got back there was a letter from a Mr. Scott Belford, who lives at the same address as Virginia Wisdom, noting that the minutes were not on the website. The staff person re-posted them, and they were then available online. She doesn't know why they didn't appear online and was planning to call our computer consultant to find out why they didn't post properly the first time. Mr. Belford sent a copy of his letter to the State's Attorney and several newspapers. The State's Attorney wrote back on September 25 stating that they were taking no action because the minutes were now online.

3. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Trustee Klaeren to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2009 Town Board meeting. Second by Trustee Tams. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed.

4. Approval of Resolutions to Determine Estimated Taxes: Supervisor Clarke reviewed the Resolutions of estimated taxes for the next tax levy. There is a separate Resolution for the General Assistance Fund. The amounts are less than 5% more than last year's tax extension, so no Truth in Tax hearing is required. The tax cap is only .1% (one-tenth of one percent) next year, so the Township will actually receive about the same amount of taxes next year.

Motion by Trustee Klaeren to approve the Resolutions to Determine Estimated Amounts to be Raised by Taxation. Second by Trustee Modica.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Voras, Modica, Klaeren, Tams, Clarke

Nays: None

Absent: None (Motion Passed.)

5. Preliminary discussion of tax levy for next year: Supervisor Clarke noted that the tentative tax levy has been sent out, and must be approved at the November meeting. Trustee Modica requested copies of last year's levy for comparison purposes. Clerk Tarulis will send out copies. Assessor Trowbridge noted that the actual tax receipts could go down next year.

6. Report of Township Supervisor: Supervisor Clarke reported that the Village of Lisle is attempting to bring the international headquarters of Navistar to the Village, in one of the vacant Lucent buildings. The Township has been requested to support this effort. Supervisor Clarke said more information will be provided. It was noted that there are neighbors who object to this project.

Supervisor Clarke reported that the Assessor's car allowance cannot be included in IMRF calculations, but that IMRF has a form of Resolution to correct the discrepancy. The Resolution will be on next month's agenda.

Mr. Jim Vondran reported on the food pantry holiday programs, including Adopt-a-Family, food drives, Thanksgiving meals, and Toys-For-Tots. Approximately 115 families were adopted last year, and Mr. Vondran is looking for donors. He is also accepting checks for the Friends of Lisle Township, to purchase items that are needed but not donated. He noted that the holiday programs are cross-checked with other charities in order to delete duplicates.

7. Reports of Township Officers: Assessor Trowbridge reported that the carpet replacement is still in the works. He has determined that the used cubicles in the office probably would not survive a move, and he is looking for used replacement cubicles. He also plans on needing to add electrical circuits when the carpet is replaced, in order to properly arrange computers and equipment. Mr. Trowbridge is getting quotes for the next meeting.

Highway Commissioner Dow was absent.

8. Other Business: None.

9. Audit of Expenditures:

Motion by Trustee Voras to audit expenditures. Second by Trustee Tams. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed.

The following total expenditures in each fund were reviewed:

Town Fund	\$ 53,764.85
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General Assistance Fund \$ 8,167.09

Road & Bridge Fund \$334,645.34

Motion by Trustee Modica to approve the audit of the expenditures. Second by Trustee Klaeren.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Voras, Modica, Klaeren, Tams, Clarke

Nays: None

Absent: None (Motion Passed.)

10. Motion to Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Trustee Tams, second by Trustee Voras. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard J. Tarulis

Township Clerk

** Next regular meeting Wednesday, November 11, 2009, at the Lisle Township office **