

**Wauconda Township**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**JULY 15, 2009**

1. Supervisor Swanson called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.
2. Clerk Rowe took roll call. Answering present were Trustees Amrich, Ringel, Schorr, Thompson, and Supervisor Swanson. Highway Commissioner Munson arrived at 7:15 p.m.  
Also answering present were Assessor Oaks, Administrator Maioriello, and Attorney Ridgeway.
3. Trustee Ringel led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Approve the Agenda:** A motion was made by Trustee Amrich and seconded by Trustee Ringel to approve the agenda as presented. Supervisor Swanson asked that "Grant Requests" under New Business be moved to the top of the list under Old Business. Having no more discussion, a voice roll call was taken for the amended agenda. 5 ayes, 0 nays. This motion carried.
5. **Approve the Minutes:** Trustee Thompson motioned and Supervisor Swanson seconded to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2009 meeting. Supervisor Swanson wanted a correction on page 2, under Senior Bus Policy to be amended to read that Trustee Thompson had talked to Wauconda Village Administrator Quick in regards to the policy. Having no more discussion, a voice roll call was taken. All were in favor, none were opposed. This motion passed.
6. **Approve July 2, 2009 Special Meeting Minutes:** Supervisor Swanson motioned and Trustee Amrich seconded to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting. Trustee Ringel asked about a statement Supervisor Swanson stated regarding the Township could arrange to pay for the utility bills of the food pantry if they move into the Township garage. Supervisor Swanson stated that would have to have Board approval. A voice roll call was taken with the corrections. 5 ayes, 0 nays. This motion carried.
7. **Treasurers Report:**       Expenditures from 6/18/09 to 7/15/09

General Town Fund:	\$ 71,136.35
General Assistance:	5,453.34
Social Security/IMRF:	7,894.53
Senior Services:	10,708.95
Road & Bridge Fund:	579.90
<u>Permanent Road Fund:</u>	<u>35,769.91</u>
	\$131,542.98
8. **Payment of Bills:** Trustee Amrich motioned and Trustee Thompson seconded to approve the bills from June 18, 2009 to July 15, 2009. Supervisor Swanson stated that there was an additional bill to be added for payment. It is a bill for Costco. Trustee Thompson motioned to accept the payment of bills to include the additional bill. Trustee Schorr seconded. Having no more discussion, a voice roll call was taken. All were in favor, none were opposed. This motion carried.
9. **Public Participation:** None
10. **Correspondence:** Trustee Thompson received an e-mail from the Historical Society regarding raccoons in the attic. He asked the Historical Society for a list of repairs that need to be done on the building. Trustee Thompson assisted with the "Dreams For Kids" event held at Docks in Wauconda. 59 challenged children were treated to many activities. The Senior Bus helped shuttle the participants.

Supervisor Swanson stated that the Wauconda High School was having a household chemical waste collection Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. He also stated that the Lake County Fair would begin on July 28<sup>th</sup>.

Supervisor Swanson received an e-mail from Ron Richards thanking the Township for the help with the "Dream For Kids" event.

**10. Old Business:** a) **Grant Requests:** The following is a list of people who were present to give a brief summary of their organization. Due to the states' budget cuts, many are not going to receive all the funding which will cause programs to be eliminated.

1) James Reeves, U.of I. Lake County; Programs include youth development, horticultural programs, and nutrition programs that are made available to all Lake County residents.

2) Bill Proshaw, Family Services and Counseling; Provides counseling to families, individuals, youth and seniors.

3) Bruce Johnson, NICASA; An Organization that offers 14 programs and different services which include DUI related treatment, teen court, and drug prevention programs.

4) Jeff Bloomfeld, Zachariah, formerly LACASA, provides counseling, rape advocacy, medical advocacy, and prevention education on sexual assault. All services are free.

5) Barb Woodhouse, Island Teen Center; Planning to find a location that will provide teens with a supervised center for getting together to do homework, hold dances, play games and other activities. The goal is to give young adults a place to go.

6) Jillian Giese, NISRA; Offers recreational programs for people with disabilities. Programs include crafts, field trips, and swimming. There are 13 different locations.

7) Kathy Deka, Countryside Association; provides vocational services for people with disabilities, employment programs, and job placement for those with slight disabilities.

**b) New Building Vote:** Tabled until next month.

**c) Senior Bus Policy:** Tabled until next month.

**d) Free Zone Ordinance Vote:** Tabled until next month.

**e) Sign Senior Bus Ordinance:** Trustee Thompson talked to Mayor Knigge regarding the bus policy that the Board approved in May. Mayor Knigge told Trustee Thompson that he is not opposed to it. Trustee Thompson did not get a response from Mayor Hermann yet. Trustee Thompson stated that he had talked to the transportation department and he is even more adamant about getting this policy into place. Supervisor Swanson stated that the agenda did not say to vote on the Ordinance, therefore it should be put on next months agenda. Trustee Thompson stated that the Board already voted on the policy. Trustee Schorr would like to see something in writing from the Mayors regarding their approval of the new policy. Trustee Thompson quoted Mayor Knigge stating that the policy was a Township call; the Township runs the bus service. The agreement will be submitted to the Village Board for approval. Trustee Thompson stated that when he talked to the transportation department, they thought that some of the services would be cut if they did not take donations. Trustee Thompson stated that last year \$115,075 was budgeted for transportation and only \$70,328.45 was spent. This year another \$115,000 was budgeted. It

shows an anticipated balance of \$35,080.00. The Township levies money for these services. Supervisor Swanson would like to meet with the two Mayors and Trustee Thompson to clarify this issue. Trustee Thompson stated that since all the Trustees approved this policy, he would like it put into place as soon as possible. The Clerk will remove the Ordinance number and make it just a policy. Upon the Supervisor and Trustee Thompson meeting with the two Mayors, the Board will receive notification and confirmation of their approval. The policy will then be put into place immediately.

**11.) New Business: a) Auditor Report:** Tabled until next month

**b) Vote: Employee Manual:** Assessor Oaks and Administrator Maioriello had reviewed the manual and recommended some changes. After going over the changes, Supervisor Swanson motioned and Trustee Schorr seconded to accept the changes as presented from pages 16 to 111. There will not be any changes regarding jury duty; 3.6 on page 49. There will not be any changes made on pages 115 and 116 until further investigation. All were in favor. None were opposed. This motion carried.

**c) Township Attorney Appointment:** Trustee Ringel read the statute on selecting an attorney for the Township. Trustee Ringel stated that she feels very strongly that issues with the executive session meeting were not handled satisfactory or professionally by the current attorney and would like to interview some other candidates. She would like to look at other attorneys that are knowledgeable in municipal law. Since she needed some advice, she has already researched and contacted other attorneys. It will be put on August's agenda.

**d) Township Manual:** Trustee Ringel would like to have something put into place with proper procedures. Supervisor Swanson will notify the Trustees of when he will be out of town, who is in charge while he is gone, calendar of events and different things that are going on in the office.

**12) Elected Officials Report:** Trustee Ringel will contact Al Weaver to place the youth committee meetings on the website and keep the public informed of any notices.

Trustee Amrich has received many calls regarding the mosquito problem in Lakeview Woodlands. He asked the Supervisor if the Township was going to spray. Supervisor Swanson stated that currently the Township only has a larvae sightings contract with Clarke Mosquito. He suggested that Trustee Amrich have them call the Clarke Mosquito 800 number. Home Owner Associations provide their own spraying.

Clerk Rowe stated that any Township resident wishing to be notified of special Township meetings and Township notices can supply her with their e-mail address and she will forward the any special meeting notices or information on those residents.

Assessor Oaks stated that she would like to hold a public meeting on August 31<sup>st</sup> at the Township Hall informing the residents of the new assessment notices. Assessor Oaks stated that assessments are going to go up and she would like to hold an informational meeting. Supervisor Swanson does not feel that the Township hall is big enough. Assessor said that the assessment notices will now have all the taxing bodies listed on them. It will also state that the residents should talk to the taxing bodies regarding their bills. Assessor Oaks stated that the meeting will only be to discuss how people can appeal the assessment and how to file it.

Administrator Maioriello stated that Senator Duffy held a seminar for Wauconda residents regarding their phone bills. He suggested removing the line backer charges off in order to lower the phone bills. There are pamphlets with information regarding lowering the bills.

**13) Executive Session: Personnel Issue:** Trustee Ringel motioned and Trustee Thompson seconded to move into executive session. All were in favor. Meeting went into Executive Session at 9:34 p.m.

When the meeting was reconvened at 9:57 p.m., Supervisor Swanson motioned that the memorandum that was discussed at the Executive Session will be accepted by the Board. In regards to section 2 of the memorandum, this will be handled by letters from the Board. Trustee Amrich seconded the motion. All were in favor. This motion carried.

**14) Adjournment:** Trustee Amrich motioned and Trustee Schorr seconded to adjourn. All were in favor. Meeting was adjourned.

**Dated: August 19, 2009**

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