

**WAUCONDA TOWNSHIP BOARD**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**JUNE 15, 2005**

1. Supervisor Swanson called this meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. in Wauconda Township Hall, County of Lake, State of Illinois.
2. Clerk Maioriello took roll call at the Budget Meetings before the Regular Board Meeting. Answering present, Trustees Bilisko, Amrich, Ryan and Hansen. Also Supervisor Swanson, Highway Commissioner Joe Munson and Assessor Doris Weidner.
3. Trustee Amrich led the Pledge of Allegiance (at the Budget Meeting).
4. A motion was made by Trustee Amrich, seconded by Trustee Hansen to approve the Agenda as presented. No discussion. Voice roll call was taken. 5 ayes, 0 nays. This motion was carried.
5. Trustee Americh made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2005 meeting. Trustee Hansen seconded this motion. No discussion. Voice roll call vote was taken. 5 ayes, 0 nays. This motion was carried.
6. Trustee Bilisko made a motion to approve the bills and balances from May 12 through June 15, 2005. Trustee Hansen seconded this motion. No discussion. Voice roll call vote was taken. 5 ayes, 0 nays. This motion was carried.
7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:  
Brian McDonald informed the Board of the traffic situation due to a bar at 4500 Roberts Road. They had a fundraiser on the previous Sunday which the bar did have a permit to park on the South side of the street although everyone parked on both sides of the street for the event. Although it is usually not that crowded on a normal Sunday there is a lot of motorcycle traffic and with being in a residential neighborhood and with all the kids he would like to see more police patrolling the area. The problem is that the property lies between Lake & McHenry Counties. Lake County said he could e-mail to them when they would like to see them out there but would like the Township to contact McHenry County to also sit out there on Sunday's to patrol and slow the traffic down. Trustee Hansen asked if anyone has contacted the bar owner because sometimes they hire out Port Barrington off duty police to help patrol the area. He had not. Supervisor Swanson said he would call McHenry County Police to see what he can do and share Brian's concerns with McHenry County. Will get in touch with Brian next week. Jerie Tallman shared her thoughts about the kind of motorcycles that were going to the bar.

Joe Anderson asked if there was any correspondence from any of the PRP's joined in on any of the financial responsibility of the permanent water solution issue in Hillcrest. Supervisor Swanson said the previous supervisor received a letter and went to Chicago but has not seen any letters since then. We are in the process of meeting with an environmental attorney just in case they are persistent in bringing us into the picture to see where our responsibility lies. There has been no more correspondence to the Township in regards to the Township being a responsible party. Mr. Anderson asked if Supervisor Swanson knew of any agreements of financial responsibilities, donations or contributions? Supervisor Swanson replied no but although nothing has been budgeted nor can the Township afford it but would help in any way they can. There is no dollar figures but the responsible parties know what it is going to cost and it is between the responsible parties what share they are going to pay to put the water system into a 409 hole. Mr. Anderson asked if there was any intent to use taxpayer dollars to fix this problem. Supervisor Swanson replied absolutely not. It's up to the responsible parties to pay for.

Dolores Jarchow requested that we put on the Agenda the trustees, supervisor and clerks names. Supervisor Swanson said yes we could put it on our letterhead, which has everyone's names on there.

Supervisor Swanson asked if there was anything else from the public. There was not.

#### 8. CORRESPONDENCE

Trustee Amrich said he had received a few calls on different things and wanted to thank Joe Munson for taking care of things so fast. Commented on what a good job he is doing.

Supervisor Swanson read a letter from the Sophisticated Ladies Grandmothers Club thanking Joe, Jerry and Rick for their help during a rummage sale they held and without their help it would have been even more difficult. Supervisor Swanson also received a couple of cards from senior transportation, which thanked Sheila Masterson for really helping her mother out.

#### 9. NEW BUSINESS:

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE:** Barbara Hannon requested a new liaison for their board because Glenn Swanson might be too busy with his new position as Supervisor. Trustee Amrich offered to be new liaison for the environmental committee. Claus and Supervisor Glenn are meeting with a environmental attorney to interview him for occasions when they need an attorney.

**SENIOR BUSING AGREEMENT:** Supervisor Swanson reported meeting with both Mayor's from Wauconda and Island Lake. Island Lake had an increase of 5% and the Village of Wauconda did a 35% increase which was about \$9,500.00. Replacing a bus with a mini van because it is smaller and will save on fuel. Supervisor Swanson thanked the Village of Wauconda and Island Lake. The agreement has been signed and is good through June 2006. A letter thanking them and the agreement will be sent.

**CLARKE MOSQUITO:** George Balis was present to give a presentation and handouts. Supervisor Swanson said he received a call the other day about a helicopter larva? Mr. Balis said yes for larva treatments of 16 acres. Clarke has a program with the Township of 193 sites. Each site is designated different. A map is kept at the Township for residents to view. Started inspections June 1 and ended today. 37 sites were found breeding. The separate list handed out shows the sites found breeding. There is a site 2-05 is a large 20 acre site. That is a larger site that needed to be treated by helicopter. Treated about 62 acres during inspection. If you have less rain a Culex mosquito breeds and that is the type of mosquito that carries the West Nile Virus. A program now set up so we could detect problem areas in case they have an incident. In 2004 there were 0 human cases in this county. Clark received 3 calls to check sites through their 800 number. 800-942-2555 for residents to call if problems. Trustee Ryan asked where the 20 acre site was? Lakeland Estates. Supervisor Swanson asked about the dryer weather vs. wet weather. Both breed different mosquitoes. Mosquitoes will breed during warm weather and quicker. It takes about 7 days to go from being an egg to an adult. Rosemary Mers asked if there was more work done by Clarke would it go over the budget? Mr. Balis replied no additional charges to go over 150 acres. If there was a disease situation to do inspection then there would be additional charges. Trustee Bilisko asked about kits being available to the public. Mr. Balis said if you don't apply it at the proper time it would be useless. Should call 800 line. Dolores Jarchow questioned again where the 20 acre site was. Replied again Lakeland Estates. Douglas Myers asked what kind of control do you actually do? Larva. Adult control is done in various areas but not on Township roads. Joe Weadick asked if adult control is not part of the program you are doing within the Township? Mr. Balis replied within the unincorporated part of the Township. Do you have a web site to go and get information? Mr. Balis said you can call the 800 number or you can go to Wauconda Township for information because that is where people would go to for information not Clarke Mosquito. The Township will be getting monthly reports on the situation. Joe Weadick also asked if there is any info on health concerns, ground water, etc? The bacteria's they use are common in ground soils so no problem with leaking. The bacteria's are already there. Very little risk. Supervisor Swanson thanks Mr. Balis for coming in.

**MOTION TO RETAIN NEW AUDITOR:** There is a \$300.00 increase to retain their services for the coming year. Supervisor Swanson asked for a motion to retain Evoy, Kamschulte, Jacobs & Co. LLP. Trustee Amrich made the motion to retain Evoy, Kamschulte, Jacobs & Co. LLP. as the Township auditors for the coming year. Trustee Bilisko seconded the motion. Supervisor Swanson asked if there was any further discussion. There was none. Voice roll call was taken. 5 ayes, 0 nays. This motion was carried.

10. **ORDINANCE:** The ordinances of the Township General Budget and Road District Budget were approved at the Budget meetings held June 15, 2005 at 7:00 and 7:15.

12. **RESOLUTIONS:** None

13. **ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORT:**

Supervisors Report:

- ?? Supervisor Swanson was in office for 3 weeks and would like to thank employees, staff and public as well. The staff has done a wonderful job.
- ?? A first aid kit was installed in our kitchen.
- ?? Senior garage now has garage door openers and lighting. Will be done in a few days.
- ?? The senior picnic will be June 22, 2005. Anyone who would like to help please come. Volunteers have been lined up from our Assessor's and Supervisor's office and hand out 74 cases of pretzels. The picnic will be held at Independence Forest Preserve.
- ?? Township hall has a new pop machine ordered that will have water. The profit made from the pop machine will go to our Holiday Fund.
- ?? Went to a Supervisor's Meeting in Rockford with the General Assistance Coordinator. General Assistance is a lot of information that is not shared with the general public or Trustees. Very informative meeting.
- ?? Also secured the busing agreement.
- ?? Meet with Mary Swanson regarding the Senior Fishing Day. She would like to get more Wauconda Township seniors to participate. Will get more info as time goes on.
- ?? Shopped around for health insurance. Last Friday we signed up all our employees with a new company, Unicare. Looks like we will be saving \$85,000.00 for the first year. Our insurance person is here if there are any questions. There was none.
- ?? Due to Trustees asking questions and looking at our budget closer we are closer to our actual numbers. Looked at what was spent last year and did a minimal increase and is more of an actual close to budget. Will continue to work on that so we know our budget is going to be closer every year and not inflated.

- ?? Asked Trustees if they would like to think of something they would like to do to make the Township better. Rosemary Mers made a suggestion that maybe a Trustee could work on would be getting garbage for the unincorporated area. The highway commissioner knows this so well because the roads are getting broke down as well. It is on our Agenda to work on so if a Trustee would like to work on this project. There was a survey taken regarding garbage about 4 years ago but not much of a response. Trustee Amrich had previous experience regarding this and offered to work on this project.
- ?? Read a letter from resident, Lynda Walis in Spenser Highlands. Thanking the Township for our support in pursuit of the sewer having enough required petitions to file with the County to move the sewer project to the next step. They are going to file this with the County to get a Special Service Area so they can get low interest loans. It's about \$20 to \$22 thousand dollars to hook up per home.

Assessors Report:

- ?? Assessor Weidner was given a copy of the most recent letter from the Township Attorney regarding the Tarkowski lawsuit. June 21, 2005 we will have a ruling and given a written opinion. Supervisor Swanson asked if that would complete the case. Assessor Weidner replied it could if she dismisses everything.

Highway Commissioners Report:

- ?? Took care of the drainage problem on Callahan Road. Built a 60' x 24" culvert in there and it took about a half day.
- ?? The guys start at 7:00 A.M. and go home at 3:30 P.M.
- ?? Been in conferences with Lakeview Woodlands, Mylith Park Association, giving them a whole new face-lift, every road is being done. Spenser Highlands about 1 garbage company single day trash pickup. Widening roads so fire trucks can get through.

Clerks Report: None

Trustees Report:

- ?? Trustee Amrich thanked Supervisor Swanson for taking care of a problem that he called him on and taking care of it right away.

14. OTHER BUSINESS:

Sheila Masterson asked about Wheels on Meals and go to the senior citizens center for lunch and play bingo. Other communities have it. Supervisor Swanson asked her to put a letter together what her request is and what she is thinking and put it in the Trustee's box and maybe someone would like to work on that project.

Rosemary Mers asked Highway Commissioner, Joe Munson if the Wauconda Township will be going in with Ela Township for the recycling program. Joe replied that he is trying to work on something to have the collection program in Wauconda and take it to Ela Township because they have more room for it. Rosemary Mers also brought brochures from the Museum regarding the Civil War Days for both offices plus a coupon for a \$1.00 off admission.

Senior Fishing Derby is in August. Sheila Masterson and Supervisor Swanson will work on Senior Transportation to get the seniors there.

Dolores Jarchow asked if we have a program for handicap and disabled seniors. We contract with Pace bus for this. They give us a list of who they help. Supervisor Swanson and Sheila Masterson will be looking into the liability of this and see if we can equip ourselves with handicap.

15. Supervisor Swanson adjourned this meeting at 8:30 P.M.

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