

WAUCONDA TOWNSHIP BOARD

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 9, 2005

1. Supervisor Keagle called this meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. in the Wauconda Township, County of Lake, State of Illinois.
2. Clerk Mers took the roll call. Answering present, Trustees Swanson, Stanley and Dunkelberg. Also Supervisor Keagle, Highway Commissioner Jim Hill and Assessor Doris Weidner. Trustee Schafer was absent.
3. Clerk Mers led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Trustee Swanson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Trustee Stanley seconded this motion. No discussion. All in favor. This motion was carried.
5. A motion by Trustee Stanley was made to accept the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 9, 2005 as mailed to the Trustees. Trustee Dunkelberg seconded this motion. Discussion. Trustee Dunkelberg questioned the \$30,000 figure for bike trail from Township and Village funds as stated in the February minutes.
Supervisor Keagle replied that \$30,000 figure is the total share from both the Township and the Village thus making the Township share \$15,000.
The Supervisor recommends putting \$5,000 into the Township Budget at this time for this trail. Trustee Stanley stated this figure is based on the IDNR grant matching funds.
Supervisor Keagle suggested we amend the amount to read that the Township and Village would have to budget the maximum of \$30,000 each for this proposal depending on the grant amount. Voice roll call vote taken on amended minutes. 3 ayes, 0 nays. This motion was carried.
Trustee Dunkelberg also stated that the E-Mail address for the Environmental Committee is wtenvironment@ameritech.net.
6. Trustee Stanley made a motion to approve the payment of all bills and balances from February 10th 2005 through March 09, 2005. Trustee Dunkelberg seconded this motion. Discussion
Trustee Swanson would like to have any bills over \$3000.00 approved by the Board before the checks are issued. He further stated that this is a policy the Village follows.
Voice roll call taken. 3 ayes, 0 nays. This motion was carried.
7. Public Participation: Dolores Jarchow, resident of Williams Park stated if necessary she would like permission to speak at end of meeting.

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8. CORRESPONDENCE:

Trustee Swanson questioned if all members of the Board were invited to the meeting held at the Wyncourt Restaurant by Representative Melissa Bean? Supervisor Keagle stated this invitation was addressed to him and his presentation involved bus transportation to Mundelein and Carmel.

Clerk Mers stated the starting date for absentee voting in our Township has been changed to March 18th and notice has been put into the newspaper to inform our residents.

Supervisor Keagle read a letter from Julie Tudor dated February 15th, 2005 stating her resignation from the Environmental Committee as of October 18th, 2005 as their Vice Chair person.

Supervisor Keagle read a letter from Morgan Lewis, Counselors at Law, Princeton New Jersey dated March 7, 2005 regarding the water supply plan developed for Hillcrest, Lakeview Villa, North Shore, Wellsmere, Spencer Highlands, Elmcrest and Garland Road South areas. A meeting will be held on March 14th of all interested parties concerning the status of the water supply plan and the financing. In conclusion, the letter states the Wauconda Township could possibly be a PRP involved with the depositing of substances into the Wauconda Sand and Gravel landfill.

Supervisor Keagle made a motion to obtain the services of our attorney for assistance on this problem. He further stated he will be attending this March 14th meeting and will not make any commitments from the Township. Trustee Stanley seconded this motion.

Trustee Dunkelberg volunteered to assist the Supervisor with this project if needed.

Voice roll call vote taken. 3 ayes, 0 nays. This motion was carried.

10. NEW BUSINESS: ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE REPORT:

Trustee Dunkelberg stated an open house meeting for the public would be held on March 23rd, 2005 from 5:00P.M. to 8:00 P.M., at the Wauconda Township with the IEPA, County Officials and the Environmental Committee discussing the water issues. Notice of this meeting will be in newspapers, door flyers, and Web site and on the Village sign. Trustee Dunkelberg requested funds, not to exceed \$2000.00, from the Board for supplies and graphics needed to make their presentation at this meeting. This request was put into a motion by Trustee Dunkelberg and seconded by Trustee Swanson. Trustee Stanley volunteered his help if needed.

Voice roll call vote taken. 3 ayes, 0 nays. This motion was carried.

Trustee Dunkelberg commented on the intergovernmental agreement between the Village Board and County concerning the hook up of water to subdivisions. One of the issues is the funding of this water hook up. No tap on or hook on fees will be required from subdivisions but the rate for water usage will be higher than paid by Village residents. Negotiated rate would be \$1 to \$4.00 per month higher than village residents pay.

Trustee Dunkelberg stated the next committee meeting is Tuesday March 15th.

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Trustee Swanson brought up the fact that the need for fire hydrants every 300 feet in the subdivisions where new water lines are installed should be a factor that is considered when installing water lines.

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA:

Copies were placed in Trustees packets for their review. April 12th, 2005 is the date for the Annual Township Meeting. Notice of this meeting and agenda will be published by March 22nd, 2005 in the local newspaper. Notices will be placed in the Township, Village and Chamber offices.

CHAMBER EXPO:

Supervisor Keagle discussed the Wauconda Chamber Expo to be held on April 9th and 10th, 2005. The Township rate for a booth is \$225.00.

Trustee Stanley asked Assessor Doris Weidner if the Historical Society would be interested in sharing our booth in order to give residents more information on Township services? She replied they would be interested if there is no cost to Historical Society.

The Senior Resource guide will also be given to attendees at the Expo.

Trustee Swanson made a motion that the Township participate in the Expo this year and invite the Historical Society to participate also. Trustee Dunkelberg seconded this motion.

The Supervisor will check on what services the Township will be able to exhibit at this Expo.

Voice roll call vote taken. 3 ayes, 0 nays. This motion was carried.

11. ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS:

A. Supervisor Keagle discussed the memos he has sent to the Board in the past. These memos can be used without violating the Open Meetings Act.

B. Assessor Weidner asked about the Health Policy revisions in February minutes. The Assessor feels the minutes and revisions should read that the health benefits go into place for the Assessor as of January 1st. when the new Assessor takes office. Clerk will put this addition into minutes.

The Assessor also commented on the legal fees her department budgets for with residents filing tax objections.

C. Highway Commissioner Jim Hill stated resurfacing of roads in Mylith Park and Brown Road will be scheduled.

The Highway Commissioner stated the Trustees only have the duty to audit the accounts and to pay the bills. If equipment is needed and the funds are available in the Highway Department Budget, the Highway Commissioner then purchases the equipment.

E. Trustee Swanson commented that the Board approves the Highway Budget and asks for a audit of the Highway equipment yearly. Trustee Swanson feels the Board should be more informed and involved with the purchases of the Highway Dept.

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Trustee Dunkelberg asked the Highway Commissioner how the Dept. determines what roads are to be paved? Highway Commissioner Hill replied this is based on the conditions of roads.

Trustee Dunkelberg inquired on the traffic flow on Virginia Lane because of development and asked if the Highway Dept could stop this? Highway Commissioner Hill replied local traffic signs do not work.

The Highway Commissioner stated Trustee Dunkelberg should get a petition from residents asking for Virginia Lane to be a dead end.

Trustee Swanson asked about bonds from the builders of lots in Hillcrest and if this money was used to help with the road repaving? The Highway Commissioner stated not as yet.

12. OTHER BUSINESS: None

13. Motion to adjourn at 8:30 P.M. by Supervisor Keagle.

SUPERVISOR

TRUSTEES:

CLERK
