

Dundee Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting
September 18, 2019

Supervisor Glee called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:01 PM at the Dundee Township Meeting Room, 611 East Main Street, Suite #201, East Dundee, IL.

Present at roll call: Supervisor Glee, and Trustees Ahrens, Harney, Johnson and Schaffer were present at the roll call.

Trustee Harney led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda:

Trustee Schaffer made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Trustee Harney seconded the motion. Supervisor Glee called the motion and with a voice vote - all present voted "aye" - motion carried.

Minutes/Treasurer's Report:

Trustee Johnson made the motion to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the July 17, 2019 Board of Trustees regular meeting. Trustee Ahrens seconded the motion. Supervisor Glee called the motion to approve the minutes and upon voice vote – all present voted "aye" – motion carried.

Trustee Schaffer made the motion to accept the August 31, 2019 Treasurer's Report and Financial Reports through September 18, 2019 as presented subject to audit – Trustee Ahrens seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, Supervisor Glee and Trustees Ahrens, Harney, Johnson and Schaffer voted "aye" – motion carried.

Reports:

Cemetery: Cemetery Manager, Mark Rakow, presented a report including a comparison of the year to date burial activity. In 2018, during the first 9 months of the year, there were 88 burials whereas in 2019 there have been 77 burials.

He also noted that the staff has been working to improve the grass in the Columbaria garden. A test of the soil in that area found a high pH reading and the need for soil aeration. The soil has been aerated and the grass treated with Sulphur, gypsum, and fertilizer. The grass appears to be improving. Landscaping has also been completed around the parking lot.

He reviewed the bid packet for the new Kubota ATV w/snow plow that has been distributed to all dealers in the area and has been placed on the website and in the Daily Herald. The bid opening will be at the next Board meeting on October 16, 2019.

Assessor: Mr. Bielak stated he & his staff were busy dealing with appeals and that Monday, September 23rd was the last day to file an appeal. The residential appeals started coming in early while the commercial appeals are just coming into the office. Currently, he has received 17 formal commercial appeals including 3 from Walgreens.

He reported he had attended the recent IAAO conference and that during the conference an Illinois Chapter of the IAAO has been re-introduced. He is going to serve on the educational committee.

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He noted that his department is continuing to have software issues with their current assessment software/vendor. Microsoft is no longer supporting the software and they may need to search for a new vendor this year.

Highway Commissioner: Highway Commissioner Scott Sinnett reported that the parking lot at the Highway Department facility has been resealed and striped. He is working with Bulk Storage the builder of the Salt Barn to resolve an issue with the ridge vent on the barn. A new snow plow truck has been ordered and should arrive in 6 months.

Open Space: Mr. Dowiat's written report for September was presented.

Sheriff's Office: Kane County Deputy Sheriff Mike Wilgosiewicz presented his monthly update to the Board. He noted that work has continued at the home on Sleepy Hollow Road and that the property is now in great shape. He reported that completed a speed watch on Boyer Road and all the traffic was clocked within 5-6 mph of the speed limit. He and his partner, Deputy Chris, reviewed the ongoing situation at the Milk Pail. They noted that the Kane County Zoning Board had recommended denial of the owner's rezoning request. They restated that the current permit allows them the play amplified music until 9 PM. If residents have complaints regarding the music carrying out past 9 PM, they should call 911 to report the matter.

Supervisor: Supervisor Gles presented her written report. Key items included the discovery of additional orchids at the Raceway site, a review of the history of how the State of Illinois grant money was allocated to Dundee Township in the amount of \$1,500,000 and the procedures for the selection of the projects to be funded with this program. She also noted that Andy Delorenzo will be completing the Burn Boss Certification program under the direction of Mr. Steven Byers of the IDNR.

Public Comments: A resident commented on the problems he is having with a neighbor who burns brush most evenings past 9:30 PM and starts yard work prior to 6:30 am. Supervisor Gles will work with him to direct his concerns to the correct authority. Other members of the public were in attendance, but no one else wished to make a comment. The comment period was closed.

Old Business:

Review of Budget Documentation for the 2020 – 21 Budget Cycle: The Board determined that they were not ready to review this matter and tabled the subject until the October meeting.

New Business:

Review/Adoption of Referendum for the creation of a 708 Mental Health Board:

Supervisor Gles reviewed the background of the 708 Board regulations. She summarized that the 708 Board would have a 7-member board (who would be non-salaried) comprised of individuals from Dundee Township. The 708 Board would be under the control of the Township's Board of Trustees.

Supervisor Gles noted the need to get a referendum to create a 708 Mental Health Board in Dundee Township on the April 2020 ballot similar to the actions being taken by other Townships.

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The Board discussed the property tax levy that would be part of the referendum. As the amount of funding for the 708 Mental Health Board has not been fully determined, it was proposed to use the maximum levy allowed by the enabling legislation and then rebate any excess amounts to the taxpayers. It was noted that all the services for Dundee Township residents must be conducted in the Township boundaries.

Supervisor Glees read the language for the creation of a 708 Mental Health Board from the state legislation.

After discussion, Trustee Johnson made a motion to place the 708 Mental Health Board referendum on the April 2020 ballot with the understanding that the Board was committed to do proper Public Relations so that the public knows the impact of this program. Trustee Harney seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, Supervisor Glees and Trustees Harney & Johnson voted “aye” – Trustees Ahrens and Schaffer abstained. The motion carried on a 3 to 2 vote.

Audit/Approve Bills and Payrolls:

Audit Bills – Pending Town Fund Bills \$26,634.80; Pre-Paid Town Bills \$433.11; Payrolls \$35,326.72 & 34,691.53; General Assistance Fund Bills \$0.00; Prior Month’s General Assistance Costs \$14,762.94; Pending General Assistance Bills: \$399.06; General Assistance Payrolls - \$274.51 & \$549.02; Pending Cemetery Fund Bills \$16,348.22; Pre-Paid Cemetery Bills \$0.00; Payrolls \$9,690.48 & \$8,892.13; Pending Road & Bridge Fund Bills \$41,665.51; Pre-Paid Road & Bridge Bills \$555.59; Payrolls \$14,964.71 & \$14,914.16; Road IMRF/FICA Payrolls of \$2,152.56 & \$2,144.36.

Trustee Harney made the motion to approve the bills as audited with a second by Supervisor Glees.

Supervisor Glees called the motion and upon roll call vote, Supervisor Glees, and Trustees Ahrens, Schaffer, Johnson & Harney voted “aye” – Motion Carried.

Budget Transfers: Budget Transfer #3 for the FY 2019-20 budget were presented. After a brief discussion, Trustee Johnson made the motion to approve Budget Transfer #3 as presented. Trustee Ahrens seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, Supervisor Glees, and Trustees Ahrens, Schaffer, Johnson & Harney voted “aye” – Motion Carried.

Executive Session:

Motion to enter into executive session to review Executive Session minutes. (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) to consider the purchase of real property (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)(3). Trustee Harney made the motion to enter into an Executive Session to consider the item noted above. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, Supervisor Glees, and Trustees Johnson & Harney voted “aye” – Trustees Schaffer & Ahrens voted “nay” - Motion Carried. The Board entered Executive Session at 8:37 PM.

Trustee Harney made a motion to return to Open Session with a second by Trustee Johnson. Upon roll call vote, Supervisor Glees, and Trustees Ahrens, Schaffer, Johnson & Harney voted “aye” – Motion Carried. The Board returned to Open Session at 9:05 PM.

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Trustee Harney made the motion to adjourn with a second by Trustee Ahrens. Upon voice vote, all present voted “aye” – motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 pm.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Robert L. Block", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert Block
Dundee Township Deputy Clerk