

Wheatland Township, Will County

Wheatland Township Administration Center

31 W 236 91st Street

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Township Board Meeting

Thursday, August 9, 2012 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call

Supervisor Morse, Clerk Kern and Trustees Haddad, King and Karantonis all present. Trustee Hudetz was absent. Also present were Highway Commissioner Jarnagin, Assessor Lord and Collector Rahman.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Jarnagin led the Pledge.

Public Comment

Michele Nonnenmann, 2323 Foxboro, Naperville, stated she was representing the Welch School PTA. She asked the board to consider making a donation for their upcoming fundraiser.

Brenda Morse, 23641 W. Andrew, Plainfield, said the overlay has been completed on the roads in her area and complemented the good work of the Highway Department. She also offered to help the Clerk's office with early voting.

Bill Alstrom, 13215 Blakely, Plainfield, inquired about a possible insect problem he had heard about in the building. Mr. Morse stated that nothing had been brought to his attention.

Clerk Report

Mr. Morse provided revisions of the Clerk's draft minutes to the board. Mr. Haddad made a motion to approve the revised July meeting minutes and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees King and Haddad voting aye. Mr. Karantonis abstained. Motion passed 3-0-1.

Plan Commission Report

Mr. King summarized for the board the Plan Commission recommendation for Boughton Materials request for a Special Use Permit. They want to recycle concrete at their 111th St. location. The Plan Commission approved the request. Scott Pointner, of Rathje and Woodward, attorney for the petitioner, made a presentation in support of board approval. In response to a question from Mr. Karantonis about fencing, Mr. Pointner said the current fencing was adequate and that they would not add new fencing. Mr. King made a motion to approve Resolution 12-03RZC and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees Haddad, King and Karantonis all aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Assessor's Report

Ms. Lord reported that appeals have begun and will continue for several weeks. They are going smoothly and hearings will begin in late September.

Highway Commissioner's Report

Mr. Jamagin was continuing to work on overlays in residential areas and may also add work on 111th St.

Supervisor's Report

Kevin Ritter of Integrys Energy Services made a presentation to the board on the benefits of electric aggregation. He is asking to partner with the township to help pass a referendum. The estimated annual cost savings to residents will be around \$200.00 per household.

Land update – Mr. Morse said no offers received on the land for sale.

Scott Duenser with Klein Hall presented the board with the draft audit and stated that he was issuing an unqualified opinion of the town finances, meaning that the audit is “clean”. He reviewed recommendations in the management letter. Mr. King asked him what a forensic audit is, if one needed to be done and what indicates a forensic audit should be done. Mr. Duenser said that it is a very detailed audit and he had never seen one done at a municipality. Mr. Haddad made a motion to approve the audit report and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees King and Haddad voting aye. Mr. Karantonis voting nay. Motion passed 3-1.

Discussion occurred on finalizing the newsletter. Mr. Morse said he would get quotes on printing costs.

Jim Sanders of Energistics Consulting Group made a presentation regarding electric aggregation. He is a consultant that would like to partner with the township. He did not advocate a referendum. He stated that he would attend a town hall meeting to answer resident questions.

Mr. Morse stated that a complaint had been filed with Will County Land Use Department regarding the township building. An inspector found the township to be in violation of numerous codes, including fire, plumbing and other life safety issues. He said that the township has 30 days to comply and will be holding a meeting soon on the topic.

Mr. King agreed to replace Mr. Hudetz as liaison to the Senior Committee.

Committee Reports

Park

Next meeting will be late August.

Youth

More people are being recruited to serve on the committee.

Transportation

No report.

Special Park

Mr. Haddad said that the Wheatland Athletic Association and Naperville Little League will have a meeting to discuss next steps on the park.

Senior

It was reported the recent trip to Starved Rock was successful.

Cemetery

Mr. Rahman stated that there would be a meeting next week to discuss new state law and that there were two burials in July.

Communication

Mr. King reported that Brenda Morse was working hard on a redesign of the website.

Finance

No report.

New/Old business

None heard.

Bill Payment

Mr. King made a motion to approve the August bills in the amount of \$56,437.87 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees King and Haddad voting aye. Mr. Karantonis voting nay. Motion passed 3-1.

Mr. King made a motion to approve payroll for the first two weeks of August in the amount of \$43,181.39 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees Haddad and King voting aye. Mr. Karantonis voting nay. Motion passed 3-1.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn and passed by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:58 PM.

Next meeting: September 13, 2012, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting

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Chuck Kern, Town Clerk
Wheatland Township

Date: September 13, 2012

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