

# **Wheatland Township, Will County**

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**Township Board Meeting**

**Thursday, December 12th, 2013 @ 7:30pm**

## **Call to order**

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

## **Roll Call**

Supervisor Kern, Clerk Alstrom and Trustees Bennefield, Crockett, Mitchell and Holscher were present. Highway Commissioner Troyanowski and Tax Collector Peterson were also present. Assessor Lord was absent.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

Supervisor Kern led the Pledge.

## **Public Comment**

There was no one from the audience with public comment

## **Clerk's Report**

A motion was made by Supervisor Kern and seconded by Trustee Holscher to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013. A roll call vote was taken with Trustees Bennefield, Holscher, Crockett, Mitchell and Supervisor Kern voting yes. Motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Supervisor Kern and seconded by Trustee Bennefield to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013. A roll call vote was taken with Trustees Bennefield, Holscher, Crockett, Mitchell and Supervisor Kern voting yes. Motion passed 5-0.

Clerk Alstrom stated there was one FOIA request for the past month pertaining to the offers submitted for the 91<sup>st</sup> street property.

#### **Highway Commissioner Report**

Commissioner Troyanowski submitted a written report that detailed fifteen different objectives that were completed or are ongoing within the Road District

#### **Supervisor Report**

Tom Spika was present representing the Wheatland Athletic Association to discuss the possibility of taking over maintenance at the Township Park on 127<sup>th</sup> street. Mr. Speika stated that the W.A.A. is very interested in taking over the responsibility for mowing and other agreed duties at the park in return for the fees paid by users. The W.A.A. will discuss the services with the Highway Commissioner and work out a contract for future approval.

John Nania was present from Integrys Energy to discuss the aggregation program and the upcoming pricing opportunities and decisions that will needed to be made by the Township in the near future.

A motion was made by Trustee Crockett and seconded by Trustee Holscher to approve Ordinance 13-05-0 Road and Bridge tax Levy. A roll call vote was conducted with Trustees Crockett, Holscher, Bennefield, Mitchell and Supervisor Kern voting yes. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Holscher and seconded by Trustee Bennefield to approve Ordinance 13-06-0 Town Fund Tax Levy. A roll call vote was conducted with Trustees Crockett, Holscher, Bennefield, Mitchell and Supervisor Kern voting yes. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Crockett and seconded by Supervisor Kern to approve Resolution 13-09-R. This Resolution will direct Will County to abate the tax levy for 2013 by 100%. A roll call vote was conducted with Trustees Crockett, Holscher, Bennefield, Mitchell and Supervisor Kern voting yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Agenda item F, Resolution 13-10-R was tabled by Supervisor Kern.

A motion was made by Trustee Crockett and seconded by Trustee Holscher to approve Resolution 13-11-R. This Resolution will allow the Township to dispose of surplus property via a publicized bidding process. A roll

call vote was conducted with Trustees Crockett, Holscher, Bennefield, Mitchell and Supervisor Kern voting yes. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Crockett and seconded by Trustee Bennefield to approve the construction management contract with J.G. Rock. A roll call vote was conducted with Trustees Crockett, Holscher, Bennefield, Mitchell and Supervisor Kern voting yes. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Mitchell and seconded by Trustee Holscher to approve the Architectural Services contract with Healy Bender. A roll call vote was conducted with Trustees Crockett, Holscher, Bennefield, Mitchell and Supervisor Kern voting yes. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Trustee Crockett and seconded by Trustee Holscher to approve the contract with Pace for 2014. A roll call vote was conducted with Trustees Crockett, Holscher, Bennefield, Mitchell and Supervisor Kern voting yes. The motion passed 5-0.

#### **Correspondence**

Supervisor Kern asked the board to consider the opportunity of using Morgan Stanley as an investment fund for surplus Town Funds. Morgan Stanley currently offers a low risk fund that yields approx. 2% interest each year. This item will be on the agenda at a future meeting.

#### **Park Committee**

No report

#### **Transportation Committee**

No report

#### **Senior Committee**

Trustees Holscher stated that the next senior lunch would be the Christmas party on December 18<sup>th</sup> at Wheatland Salem church.

#### **Cemetery Committee**

Collector Peterson submitted a written report.

#### **Communications Committee**

No report

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

Trustee Holscher would like the Township to consider approving Ordinances to deal with violations that occur at the Township Park. This would allow the Will County Sherriff to issue tickets.

### **Bill Payment**

Trustee Holscher moved to approve the Town, Hard Road, Road & Bridge and Culvert Fund in the amount of \$398,964.27 and it was seconded by Trustee Mitchell. A roll call vote was conducted with Trustees Crockett, Holscher, Mitchell, Bennefield and Supervisor Kern voting yes. Motion passed 5-0.

### **Executive Session**

A motion was made Supervisor Kern and seconded by Holscher to go into executive session at 9:08pm for the purpose of approving minutes from two previous Executive sessions and a legal issue with the Highway Department. A voice vote was taken with a 5-0 approval. The Board came back into open session at 9:20pm. Executive session minutes from 10-10-2013 and 11-14-2013 were approved and released to the public by the board.

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Supervisor Kern with a second by Trustee Holscher. A voice vote of 5-0 passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:22pm.

**Next meeting:**    January 9thh, 2013, @ 7:30 P.M. – Township Board Meeting  
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Prepared by Bill Alstrom, Township Clerk