

Wheatland Township, Will County

Wheatland Township Administration Center

31 W 236 91st Street

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Township Board Meeting

Thursday, March 10, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

Supervisor Morse called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Denise Garcia led the Pledge.

Public Comment

Bill Alstrom, 13215 Blakely, Plainfield, stated that he thought the budget for the upcoming year was not in balance. Mr. Morse agreed that the numbers in the budget as presented were not accurate and it was his intention to present a balanced budget. He said that the discrepancy would be corrected.

Hale Landes, 2803 Breckenridge Lane, Naperville, asked the board why they were building a building when there were less expensive alternatives available.

Clerk Report

Mr. King made a motion to approve the February 10, 2011 minutes as amended and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees, King, Karantonis, Hudetz and Haddad all aye. Motion passes 5-0.

Mr. Karantonis commented on a recent FOIA request from the Daily Herald regarding elected official's benefits. He was advised by board members that the Assessor and the Highway Commissioner were receiving dental benefits from the Township and that they were the only elected officials receiving benefits.

Plan Commission Report

Discussion was held regarding Resolution 11-03-R. Mr. Karantonis stated that he thought the resolution was too confusing and asked that it be rewritten. Mr. Morse agreed that it would be changed and brought back to the board next month.

Assessor's Report

Written report attached.

Highway Commissioner's Report

No written report.

Supervisor's Report

Discussion occurred regarding the 2011-2012 budget. Mr. Hudetz asked that the contingency fund be reduced by \$269,000 to balance the budget. Mr. Karantonis asked if any funds would be borrowed for the new building and Mr. Morse said no. Mr. King made a motion to approve a budget of \$2,604,656 for the fiscal year 2011-2012 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustess Haddad, Hudetz, King and Karantonis all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Karantonis made a motion to approve the proposed Annual Meeting Agenda and was seconded. Motion passed 5-0 by voice vote. Mr. Morse stated that the agenda would be corrected to show the corrected date.

Mr. King updated the board on the new building stating that the project would be ready for the Naperville Planning Commission by April. Mr. Hudetz asked if the cost of the project was available yet and Mr. King said that costs were not ready yet. He stated that the numbers would be ready in April. Mr. Hudetz said he wants the board to agree on building cost before it is submitted to Naperville. He also asked to be included in meetings Mr. King has with the city. Mr. Karantonis asked for costs to be presented to the electors at the annual meeting.

Mr. Morse stated that Plainfield Township wanted to work with the township to provide bus service to Wheatland residents. He also said that mailing a survey to residents to gauge interest in the program would cost over \$8,000 and he thought that was excessive. Mr. Hudetz asked that we work with Plainfield, paying them by the ride for their service. Mr. Karantonis said that he wanted a needs assessment done. Mr. Hudetz wanted to get feedback from Plainfield as to how they run the program. Mr. Jarnagin mentioned that the township needed to determine the boundaries that a bus would cover. Mr. Karantonis asked if the board had considered how much to charge for rides and how they would advertise this service.

Mr. Haddad made a motion to approve a six month trial program with PACE and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King and Haddad aye. Trustees Hudetz and Karantonis nay. Motion passed 3-2.

Mr. Morse made a proposal to change four upcoming meeting dates because he would be away. Mr. Kern objected, stating that we owed the public a consistent meeting day. It was agreed that Mr. Morse would contact TOI to get advice on the issue. Mr. King made a motion to change the April meeting to April 13th and was seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Committee Reports

Park

No written report.

Youth

No written report.

Senior

No written report.

Cemetery

Written report attached.

Communication

No written report. .

Finance

No written report.

New/Old business

Mr. Karantonis stated that it was his understanding and expectation that the new building would be built out and completely finished for \$1,500,000, which would include landscaping, storm water management, parking and everything else excluding the land.

Bill Payment

Mr. Haddad made a motion to approve February bills in the amount of \$63,632.81 and was

seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King Haddad and Hudetz all aye. Mr. Karantonis voted no. Motion passed 4-1.

Mr. Haddad made a motion to approve February payroll in the amount of \$70,036.48 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, King and Hudetz all aye. Mr. Karantonis nay. Motion passed 4-1.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Next meeting: April 13, 2011, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting
Wheatland Township Administration Center
31 W 236 91st Street
Naperville, Illinois 60564

Chuck Kern, Town Clerk
Wheatland Township

Date: April 14, 2011

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Township Board Meeting

Thursday, April 13, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

Supervisor Morse called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

Roll Call

Supervisor Morse, Clerk Kern and Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, King and Karantonis all present. Also in attendance Assessor Lord and Highway Commissioner Jarnagin.

Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Lord led the Pledge.

Public Comment

Tricia Tillotson, 4832 Clearwater, Naperville, stated that she thought the township needed upgraded office space. But she asked the board to listen to the people that they represent and consider lower cost ideas.

Chuck Kern, 5331 Sand Lily Dr, Naperville, stated that the township attorney gave misinformation to the electors at the special meeting on April 12, 2011. He said she stated that "the electors voted for the new building three times" and also said that she said the "electors voted to build the building at the special meeting last fall". He said that both statements were untrue and designed to influence electors votes and that he was disappointed with her comments.

Clerk Report

Mr. Karantonis asked that the March minutes be amended to expand his comment under new business to include "and everything else", when referring to what was included in cost estimates for the new building. He made a motion to approve the minutes as amended and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse – nay. Trustees King, Karantonis, Hudetz and Haddad all aye. Motion passed 4-1.

Clerk Kern advised the Board that all Statements of Economic Interest needed to be filed with the County Clerk by May 1, 2011.

Plan Commission Report

No report.

Assessor's Report

Written report attached.

Highway Commissioner's Report

Mr. Jarnagin said that the first phase of brush pick up was starting and that he would be raising the flag at the park shortly.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Morse said that the Office Administrator, Cherie Kazmierczak, had resigned and been replaced by Carolyn Rominger.

Mr. King made a motion to approve Ordinance 11-01-0 Town Budget and was seconded. Mr. Hudetz asked what was involved with the asphalt parking area at the cemetery in the budget. He was advised that the cemetery was self funded through revenue it generates. He asked to see where the revenue comes from. Additionally Mr. Morse stated that the cemetery had been designated an historical site. He also mentioned that Collector Garcia is moving and that he will place an ad asking for applications for that position. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Karantonis, Haddad and Hudetz all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Haddad made a motion to approve Ordinance 11-02-0 Highway Budget and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Karantonis, Haddad and Hudetz all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Morse asked Mr. King to provide an update to the board on the new building and Mr. King said there was not much to report. Mr. Haddad asked the board to consider sending a newsletter to residents to update them on the need for a new building. He made a motion to spend up to \$5,000 on this mailing. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, Karantonis and King all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. King stated that he wanted to continue work on the new town hall. Mr. Kern said that the electors had directed the board to cease work until they were able to report back to them at a special meeting. He also stated that his attorney said that the board members could be sued personally if they did not follow the wishes of the electors. Mr. Hudetz said that he did not want one

penny spent until the special meeting. He also asked the Supervisor why he signed a contract with Wight and Co. for construction management services without telling the trustees. He also asked Mr. King why he was not invited to meetings with the architect.

Mr. Hudetz said that the electors were not happy and they want details as far as what the costs would be for this building. He asked Mr. King exactly how much had been spent for architectural services and Mr. King said he did not know. After a review of the financials it was determined that approximately \$61,000 had been paid to date on a total contract of \$87,000.

Mr. Hudetz asked Mr. King for the architect's phone number and was advised that he did not have it. Mr. Karantonis and Mr. Morse asked Mr. King to include Mr. Hudetz in a meeting with the architect as soon as possible. It was agreed that no more work would be done on the building until the special meeting.

Committee Reports

Park

Mr. Karantonis reported that the parking lot would be sealcoated and striped. Also the Community Day activity would be flower planting.

Youth

No report.

Senior

Mr. Hudetz said that the Senior Committee would be attending a function at Niles Township to see how they serve their senior population and to bring ideas back to our township.

Cemetery

No report.

Communication

Mr. Morse stated that the board meeting agendas will be made easier to find on the website.

Finance

No report.

New/Old business

Mr. Karantonis asked if the town hall had a mold problem as stated by a citizen at the Annual Meeting. Mr. Morse said there was no mold. Mr. Hudetz stated that a needs assessment needed to be done as directed by the electors. He also said that he would head up a search for lesser priced properties as directed by the electors.

Bill Payment

Mr. Hudetz made a motion to pay the March bills in the amount of \$52,154.47 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Karantonis, Haddad and Hudetz all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Haddad made a motion to approve the March payroll in the amount of \$68,358.56 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Karantonis, Haddad and Hudetz all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Adjournment

Mr. Karantonis made a motion to adjourn, was seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Next meeting: May 12, 2011, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting
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31 W 236 91st Street
Naperville, Illinois 60564

Chuck Kern, Town Clerk
Wheatland Township

Date: May 12, 2011

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Township Board Meeting

Thursday, May 12, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

Supervisor Morse called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

Roll Call

Supervisor Morse, Clerk Kern and Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, King and Karantonis all present. Also present was Highway Commissioner Jarnagin.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Karantonis led the Pledge.

Public Comment

Bill Alstrom, 13251 Blakely, Plainfield stated that he had just received his tax bill and noted that the Township portion of the bill increased. He was wondering how that could be when he was assured previously by the Supervisor that taxes would not go up.

Brenda Morse, 23641 W. Andrew, Plainfield read a statement on a number of issues. She stated that the petition put forth by the electors for the special meeting was not appropriate. She also stated that slanderous comments have been made about some board members by "maverick" electors. She also had numerous complaints about the Town Clerk's job performance.

Clerk Report

Mr. Karantonis made a motion to approve the minutes from the Public Hearing on the budget on April 13, 2011 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King and Karantonis all aye. Trustees Hudetz and Haddad abstained. Motion passed 3-0-2.

Mr. King made a motion to table the April 13, 2011 regular meeting minutes approval until the June meeting

and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote. The Clerk was asked to review the audio portions where discussion of a newsletter took place and also the section regarding the Wight and Co. contract.

Mr. Karantonis made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 29, 2011 special meeting and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz and Karantonis all aye. Trustee King voted nay. Motion passed 4-1.

Plan Commission Report

No report.

Assessor's Report

The final tentative factor for Wheatland Township from the Department of Revenue is 0.9518.

On June 1, 2011 a new employee will be starting working on the commercial side. She will bring 25 years of assessing experience along with Board of Review expertise. We welcome Susan to the staff. In addition the Assessor included a letter in her report from the Will County Supervisor of Assessments with information regarding senior citizens freeze on homestead exemptions.

Highway Commissioner's Report

Mr. Jarnagin stated that the department had just finished their second brush pick up of the season and that he is ready to overlay certain roads soon.

Supervisor's Report

The Supervisor asked the Clerk to provide all meeting sign in sheets to his office after each meeting which the Clerk agreed to do.

Mr. King made a motion to approve the 2011 Prevailing Wage Ordinance #11-03-O and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Karantonis, Haddad and Hudetz all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Brief discussion occurred regarding the upcoming May 23, 2011 special town meeting. It was agreed that the town would order 200 chairs and that a videographer would be hired.

Committee Reports

Park

Mr. Karantonis reported that the Park Committee has scheduled a park clean up day on Sunday May 15 from 10:00AM to noon at the Township Park.

Youth

No report.

Senior

Mr. Hudetz reported on April 20 a presentation was made at the senior luncheon to the group by the Will County Assessor on the senior freeze and the Homestead Exemption. There was also a presentation by Eldercare Professionals. He is working on lining up a presenter for the next meeting on May 18.

Cemetery

No report.

Communication

No report.

Finance

Mr. Morse stated that he was getting ready for the upcoming audit. Mr. Karantonis asked a question regarding the length of the current auditor's contract. Mr. Morse said that he would look into it a respond back. Mr. Karantonis also asked the board to consider entertaining proposals from other auditing firms.

New/Old business

None.

Bill Payment

Mr. Hudetz had questions regarding certain disbursements. He asked about Jay Madalon's mileage reimbursement and was told he received a monthly payment. He also raised objection to Town Attorney Ancel Glink's bill indicating that he thought the town was paying too much for legal services. He also questioned the quality of the work provided by attorney Keri Lyn Krafthefer.

Mr. Karantonis stated that he has stopped voting to approve the monthly bills due to the excessive Ancel Glink bills. Mr. King made a motion to pay the town bills for May in the amount of \$85,988.60 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees King and Haddad voting aye.

Trustees karantonis and Hudetz voting nay. Motion passed 3-2.

The Supervisor asked that it be read into the record from the TOI manual that the Supervisor is responsible for hiring the Town Attorney.

Mr. King made a motion to approve the payroll for the first half of May in the amount of \$40,444.61 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Hudetz and Haddad voting aye. Mr. Karantonis nay. Motion passed 4-1.

Mr. Karantonis asked the supervisor to provide him with a copy of the Township employee vacation policy.

Mr. Morse made a motion to enter executive session at 8:25 PM and motion passed by voice vote.

Adjournment

Mr. Karantonis made a motion to adjourn which passed by voice vote and meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Next meeting: June 9, 2011, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting
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31 W 236 91st Street
Naperville, Illinois 60564

Chuck Kern, Town Clerk
Wheatland Township

Date: June 9, 2011

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Township Board Meeting

Thursday, June 9, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

Clerk Kern called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call

Supervisor Morse, Clerk Kern, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, Karantonis and King all present. Also in attendance were Assessor Lord and Highway Commissioner Jarnagin.

Pledge of Allegiance

Karl Karantonis led the Pledge.

Public Comment

Mike Crockett, 3144 Kewanee, Naperville, asked the Supervisor why he had not received a response on his FOIA regarding ads in the paper and other issues. Mr. Morse stated that the requested records were now available and would be provided.

Debra Holscher, 2708 Modaff, Naperville, asked if the construction management contract signed with Wight and Co. was binding. Mr. King said the contract was not binding because it had not been approved by the board. Mr. Morse said the contract could be voided at no cost to the Township.

Brenda Morse, 23641 W Andrew, Plainfield, asked if the minutes for the space committee would be put online and if the agendas would be put on the website. Mr. Hudetz and Mr. Crockett stated that all information would be posted in a timely fashion for the public to follow.

Jane Hodgkinson of the Western Dupage Special Recreation Association stated that her organization would be interested in utilizing space in a new township facility. She stated that they need basketball court type space and may also need an office.

Larry Gentile of the Wheatland Athletic Association also stated that his organization needed gymnasium space and would be interested in partnering with the township in a new facility. He said that group may be able to provide a limited amount of funds to assist in the project.

Clerk Report

Mr. King made a motion to approve the April 13th minutes as amended. Paragraph four in the Supervisor's Report was amended to delete "Mr. Haddad asked the board to send a newsletter to the residents to update them on the need for a new building. He made a motion to spend up to \$5,000 on this mailing" and replace with "motion based upon the residents concerns at the annual meeting on April 12th, I motion that we spend up to 5,000.00 to educate and inform residents about the new building and process". Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King and Haddad voting aye. Trustess Hudetz and Karantonis voting no. Motion passed 3-2.

Mr. Karantonis made a motion to approve the April 29, 2011 special board meeting minutes and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, Karantonis and King all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Karantonis made a motion to approve the special board meeting minutes from May 12, 2011 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Hudetz, Karantonis and King all aye. Trustee Haddad abstained. Motion passed 4-0-1.

Mr. Karantonis made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from May 12, 2011 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Hudetz, Karantonis and King all aye. Mr. Haddad abstained. Motion passed 4-0-1.

Mr. Kern advised the board that they needed to designate those who were to get online training on the new Open Meetings Act. It was agreed that all board members would take the training and that the Clerk would advise them on the procedure.

Plan Commission Report

Attorney Dick Kavanagh made a presentation to the board on behalf on his clients who are looking to rezone property near 119th and Naper Plainfield Rd to allow for a materials recycling center. Mr. Hudetz was concerned that the local schools had not been contacted to get their input. Also it was noted that no sign was placed on said property to notify interested parties of a potential zoning change. A resolution to approve the project will be brought to the board in July.

Mr. Karantonis advised that there may be a "conflict of authority" issue on the planning commission due to the fact that two of the members are also Will County Board members. It was agreed that he would meet with the Supervisor to work on this issue.

Assessor's Report

Not much to report other than we submitted preliminary numbers this morning. We will have all assessments firmed up by the deadline of July 6, 2011.

Highway Commissioner's Report

Mr. Jarnagin advised that he was getting ready to replace some culverts.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Karantonis asked Mr. Morse to provide the trustees with a letter voiding the Wight and Co. construction management contract and Mr. Morse agreed. Mr. Morse also stated that he was going to request proposals from auditing firms for next year's audit.

Committee Reports

Park

Members of the Park Committee, Tim Belgio, Audrey Clair and Ingrid McCreedy Miller gathered on Sunday May 22 to participate in Community Park Day. The flower planter was relined and new plants were planted. The litter in the park was picked up by Audrey's three children and they also participated in the planter plantings. Water was needed after the plants were placed in the soil and Dayton Jarnagin and Kevin Martinich came to the park on short notice to turn on the water so Audrey could water the plantings. The park parking area has been resealed and striped, the bases of the trees have been mulched and new mulch has been added to the Tot Lot by the Highway Dept. The flag assembly has been replaced and updated. An unknown citizen has installed nets on the basketball rims. The only item that remains to be completed this year is the application of dirt in the infield. Members of the park committee have volunteered to check on the park on a weekly basis and report on the condition.

Youth

Mr. Haddad stated that he was going to organize a ping pong tournament in the near future.

Senior

Mr. Hudetz stated that the next senior program meeting would be on June 17th.

Cemetery

No report.

Communication

Mr. King stated that he was looking for volunteers for the committee and Deb Holscher volunteered. He also noted that all elected officials need to come into the office to change their passwords because of the new email server.

Finance

No report.

New/Old business

None heard.

Bill Payment

Mr. King made a motion to approve the June bills of \$57,683.65 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz and King all aye. Mr. Karantonis nay. Motion passed 4-1. Mr. Karantonis asked the Supervisor to add the payment to Weaver Boos Consulting to the listing of new town building expenditures and to post it online and he agreed to do so.

Mr. King made a motion to approve the payroll for the first two weeks of June in the amount of \$42,695.47 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, Karantonis and King all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

The board entered closed session at 9:34 PM. The board returned to open session at 9:43 PM.

Mr. King made a motion to appoint Atif Rahman to the Tax Collector position and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, Karantonis and King all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Adjournment

Mr. King made a motion to adjourn and was seconded. The motion passed by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Next meeting: July 14, 2011, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting
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Thursday, July 14, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

Clerk Chuck Kern called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call

Supervisor Morse, Clerk Kern and Trustees Karantonis, King and Hudetz all present. Trustee Haddad was absent. Also in attendance were Highway Commissioner Jarnagin and Collector Aatif Rahman and members of the public (sign in sheet attached).

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Karantonis led the Pledge.

Public Comment

Hale Landes, 2803 Breckenridge, Naperville, told the board that they need to get assurances that no hazardous materials will be part of construction debris at the proposed recycling center near 119th St. and Naper Plainfield Rd.

Rick Peabody, 28W491 Juanita Dr., Naperville, asked the Supervisor if there were video and or audio recorders at the township building. Mr. Morse replied that there was a video security camera but no audio recording devices. Mr. Peabody also had a concern about a township produced power point presentation that was included in the Space Committee portion of the website that was not endorsed by the committee and asked that it be removed. Mr. Morse asked that he send a email to the township with that request and it would be considered.

Bill Alstrom, 13251 Blakely, Plainfield, asked why citizen Brenda Morse had access to the township website and was informed by the Supervisor that she was a member of the Communications Committee and therefore was entitled to access.

Clerk Report

Mr. Hudetz made a motion to approve and release May 12, 2011 executive session minutes and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King and Hudetz all aye. Trustee Karantonis abstained. Motion passed 3-0-1.

The June 9, 2011 executive session minutes approval was moved to later executive session.

Mr. Karantonis made a motion to approve the June 9, 2011 regular board meeting minutes and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Karantonis and Hudetz all aye. Motion passed 4-0.

The Clerk asked the board members to make sure that all records for each township committee are forwarded to the Clerk's office so the public can have easy access if needed.

Plan Commission Report

Resolution #11-03-R was tabled until a future meeting.

Mr. Karantonis asked the Supervisor to get a formal legal opinion whether a sitting Will County Board member can sit on the township planning commission. He was concerned about a possible conflict of interest.

Assessor's Report

Our final numbers have been submitted to the county and the publication for these numbers will be on August 18, 2011. The actual notices are due to mail around August 13, 2011.

This week I was able to get four vertical file cabinets donated to the assessor's office. To properly facilitate what is needed, we could use 8-10, but with the unknown status of where we will be or with what file system we will have this will have to do for now.

I would also like to clear up that it was stated that I said we did not need as much space as we were given on the building plans. My statement was that we were given the space that we have. We extensively went over the needs vs. wants in a staff meeting, but never discussed actual square footage.

Kelli Lord, Assessor

Highway Commissioner's Report

Mr. Jarnagin reported that his department is working with the City of Naperville to put sidewalks on the south side of 111th St. near the Wheatland Highlands neighborhood. He also said that this week's storms had uprooted a number of trees and it would take another three to four days to clean up.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Morse said that audit firm Selden Fox is still working on the audit and he was hoping they would wrap up soon. He asked them to look at adjusting their fees for next years audit.

Mr. Morse advised that Jay Madalon was recently named to the board of the Illinois Township Association for Senior Citizens. He will be bringing ideas back to the township on possible expansion of senior services.

The board reviewed quotes for sealcoating and striping the township parking lot and awarded the business to Firemen Sealcoating, which was the low bidder at \$1,895.00.

Discussion was held regarding soliciting proposals from audit firms. Some have been contacted to make proposals and discussions are ongoing.

Committee Reports

Park

No report.

Youth

In order to better serve both the awareness of the youth township government opportunities, as well as to bring awareness to the mission of promoting the dangers of cyberbullying and cybercrimes, I will be implementing the following program over the next several months. The township will sponsor an I-PAD contest (rules attached). A card will be printed to explain the program so that the youth can have a script to help them obtain emails. There will be an email verification process whereby the emails must be opened to be verified. Our email provider service can verify this. It is strongly suggested that youth obtain well above 1000 emails to ensure that they can win by having emails verified.

The effect of this process is twofold: we will be able to generate a good list of the youth's parents and

properly educate them on our mission to educate and inform them about the dangers of the Internet. At the same time we can generate a movement in connecting the youth to the township for further projects that benefit the community.

I will be forming a committee to help operate this contest. If there are any people who would like to be on that committee, please let me know.

Lastly, I will be working on getting the I-Pads donated from the Apple store, however, we do have money in the Youth budget should we have to purchase them for the winners.

Doug Haddad, Youth Committee

Senior

June meeting at Dolce Amore was well received. Coffee and soft drinks were donated by the restaurant and beef was brought in from Portillos.

July meeting will be back at Wheatland Salem and the program will be on Hummingbirds.

Cemetery

Mr. Rahman said that the committee is discussing a new marking system to make grave digging easier. Mr. Karantonis asked what the costs were for internment and care for each grave and was told \$750.00.

Communication

Mr. King said that Brenda Morse was working on updating and upgrading the township website. He stated that he wants to use a service such as Constant Contact to communicate better with residents. Mr. Morse stated that there needs to be a policy written regarding the handling of email addresses of residents. He said that the attorney will be consulted on the legality of accumulating email addresses

Finance

Mr. Morse said the next meeting will be scheduled during the first week in August.

New/Old business

Mr. Karantonis asked that an updated listing of all township committee members be provided to the board. Mr. Morse stated that Carolyn Rominger would provide the list.

Mr. Hudetz noted that it appears that only \$1,248,000 is available for a new building according to a recent report. He was under the impression that approximately 1.5 million was available. He said that he would discuss with Daryl Dahlberg and report back next month.

Mr. Hudetz said that he was curious as to what Jay Madalon was doing with the Will County Senior committee and asked that he be included in discussions on this topic.

Trustee Haddad arrived at 8:30 PM.

Bill Payment

Mr. King made a motion to approve the July bills in the amount of \$30,046.51 and was seconded. Both Mr. Hudetz and Mr. Karantonis asked about a bill from BDG Consulting in the amount of \$4,990.00. Mr. Haddad said that they did graphic design and provided text for ads that were placed in the Naperville Sun. Mr. Karantonis said that he was embarrassed by inaccuracies and misspellings in the ads and he asked that we attempt to get credits for the errors from the supplier. Mr. Karantonis asked who was responsible for creating the content for the ads and the power point presentation on the new building. Mr. Haddad said that he and Mr. Morse were responsible. Mr. Haddad said that he would attempt to get credit. Mr. Hudetz said that he was against the purchase of the ads and does not want to pay the bill. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King and Haddad all aye. Trustees Hudetz and Karantonis voting nay. Motion passed 3-2.

Mr. Hudetz made a motion to approve payroll for the first half of July in the amount of \$43,129.49 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Hudetz and Haddad voting aye. Mr. Karantonis voting nay. Motion passed 4-1.

The board moved to closed session at 8:42 PM to discuss executive session minutes from June 9, 2011.

The board returned to open session at 8:48 PM. Mr. Hudetz made a motion to approve and release executive session minutes from June 9, 2011 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Karantonis, Haddad and Hudetz all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Adjournment

Mr. Karantonis made a motion to adjourn and was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 8:49 PM.

Next meeting: August 10, 2011, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting
Wheatland Township Administration Center
31 W 236 91st Street
Naperville, Illinois 60564

Chuck Kern, Town Clerk
Wheatland Township

Date: August 10, 2011

Approved as

Presented

Wheatland Township, Will County

Wheatland Township Administration Center

31 W 236 91st Street

Wheatland Township, Will County

Township Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 10, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

Clerk Chuck Kern called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Lord led the Pledge.

Public Comment

Tricia Tillotson, 4832 Clearwater, Naperville, complained about some board members not attending the August 9, 2011 electors meeting. She also said that many are concerned about government excess.

Kathy Havel, 2616 Springdale Circle, Naperville, said that there is too much division on the town board.

Mike Strick, 3827 Looking Post, Naperville, said that the board needs to cut back and lower property taxes.

Paula Strick, 3827 Looking Post, Naperville, said that the board is too divided. She thanked the board members that attended the elector's meeting. She questioned the Supervisor why he changed the Plan Commission meeting to conflict with the elector's meeting.

Benda Morse, 23641 W. Andrew, Plainfield, stated that she thought there were legal issues with the August 9th elector's meeting and accused some Space Committee members of having personal agendas.

Gary Brooks, 1957 Barrington Circle, Aurora, said that the township lacked transportation services for the

handicapped and hoped that the issue could be addressed.

Clerk Report

Mr. King made a motion to approve the July 14, 2011 minutes and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees Karantonis, King and Hudetz all aye. Trustee Haddad abstained. Motion passed 4-0-1.

Mr. King made a motion to approve and release the executive session minutes from July 14, 2011 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, King and Karantonis all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Discussion occurred regarding a modem and hardware being installed by Will County in all early voting locations. Mr. Kern will discuss with the county what to do if their Comcast lines cannot be installed at Wheatland Township.

Plan Commission Report

Attorney Dick Kavanagh made a presentation to the board regarding two zoning cases recently presented to the Plan Commission. Parcel owner Marge Lutz is seeking a special use permit and zoning change for a parcel near 119th St. and Naper Plainfield Rd for a construction materials recycling center. Mr. Kavanagh assured the board that adjacent land owners were notified of this request and that all appropriate signage was posted.

Mr. King made a motion to approve Resolution 11-05-R and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Karantonis, Haddad and Hudetz all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. King made a motion to approve Resolution 11-04-R and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Karantonis, Haddad and Hudetz all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Assessor's Report

Our factor for Wheatland Township this year is 1.0 after the adjustments that were submitted to the county. We are thankful for the donation to the Assessors office for file cabinets, a couple of desks and a small meeting table with chairs. This saved us thousands of dollars in file cabinets alone. The assessment change notices are due in the mail on Friday. Since this is a quad year every household will receive a notice.

Kelli Lord

Highway Commissioner's Report

Mr. Jarnagin advised that brush pick up was continuing after recent storms and that he was overlaying roads in Wheatland South and Shell Lake.

Mr. Karantonis asked if it would be possible to use the Highway Dept. building for Township meetings. Mr. Jarnagin stated that he had no objection to that but that Mr. Morse was not in support.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Hudetz asked Mr. Morse to move now on the sale of the land the township owns at 103rd Street. He stated that the electors have overwhelmingly voted to do so at a recent meeting of the electors. Mr. Morse said that he was waiting for the paperwork from the meeting and then wanted to consult the township attorney to make sure what occurred was legal.

Mr. Morse advised that Kamala Martinez has resigned as Finance Committee chair and provided a letter of resignation.

Mr. Morse also stated that he was concerned about the quality of the sealcoating recently done on the parking lot and would be seeking a possible adjustment on the price.

Committee Reports

Park

Mr. Karantonis advised that the next committee meeting will be next on September 17th.

Youth

Per our mission for the youth of our Township, we will continue working this school year in promoting the dangers of the internet – specifically cyberbullying, to our community. Last year our direction was to visit the PTA's of the elementary schools to educate them on the dangers, as per the Attorney General's brochures – the ideal time to reach kids about this danger is the fifth grade, well before they enter into the middle school and high schools. As you may or may not recall, I met with the Attorney General's office personnel who gives the seminar on this topic. She provided me the approved material that should be given to our parents and taught to our youth.

We will continue to visit PTA meetings this coming school year, however in addition we will be launching a program to generate the youth in engaging in educating others in the community. In September after the school year begins we will begin our recruitment of this year's youth for the purpose of helping us promote this cause. In this process we will be considering many incentives and awards to motivate the kids to educate each other and our parents about the dangers that lurk with the internet.

Doug Haddad

Senior

Mr. Hudetz advised that there will be a barbeque at the 135th Street Park next week.

Cemetery

No meeting or report.

Communication

No report.

Finance

No report.

New/Old business

Mr. Hudetz asked that the clerk distribute to the board copies of the resolutions passed at the August 9, 2011 meeting of the electors, which the clerk agreed to do.

Bill Payment

Mr. Hudetz asked to see the invoice for Weaver Boos Consultants. He was advised that this invoice was for work completed months ago, but the invoice was sent to the wrong place. Mr. King made a motion to approve the July bills in the amount of \$34,218.66 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Haddad and Hudetz all aye. Trustee Karantonis voting nay. Motion passed 4-1.

Mr. Karantonis asked Mr. Morse to supply him with a copy of Ancel Glink's bill for the month of July.

Mr. Haddad made a motion to approve payroll for the first half of August in the amount of \$43,024.20 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Hudetz, Haddad and King all aye. Mr. Karantonis voting nay. Motion passed 4-1.

Adjournment

Mr. Haddad made a motion to adjourn and was seconded. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Next meeting: September 8, 2011, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting

Wheatland Township Administration Center
31 W 236 91st Street
Naperville, Illinois 60564

Chuck Kern, Town Clerk
Wheatland Township

Date: September 8, 2011

Approved

as Presented

Wheatland Township, Will County
Wheatland Township Administration Center
31 W 236 91st Street

Wheatland Township, Will County
Township Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 7, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

Clerk Kern called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Jarnagin led the Pledge.

Public Comment

Kathy Havel, 2616 Springdale Circle, Naperville, asked the board to utilize the Highway Dept. building for township meetings in the future because that facility is larger and better located.

Tricia Tillotson, 4832 Clearwater, Naperville, asked the board to honor the wishes of the electors and abandon the new building project. She said that they need to go to a referendum to get voter approval if they want to pursue the project.

Hale Landes, 2803 Breckenridge, Naperville, asked about the responsibilities of the Tax Collector position. Mr. Morse advised that the Collector was in charge of the township cemetery.

Clerk Report

Mr. King made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 10, 2011 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees King, Karantonis and Haddad all aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Plan Commission Report

No report.

Assessor's Report

No report.

Highway Commissioner's Report

Mr. Jarnagin stated that he was continuing to work on road striping and patching.

Supervisor's Report

Township attorney Keri Lyn Krafthefer reported to the board regarding her review of the August 9, 2011 meeting of the electors. She said that the results of the meeting were clear and the electors present wanted to abandon the new town hall project by an overwhelming margin. She said that the meeting may have been improperly called and may be in violation of the Open Meetings Act. She also stated that the vote to sell the land was not proper because it was not on the agenda.

She presented the board with a written opinion and four possible options to pursue. She said the best option would be to sell the land and have the electors ratify that at the next annual meeting. Mr. Karantonis said that the land should be offered back to Naperville right away and Mr. King agreed. Mr. Haddad wanted everyone to know that the township would lose engineering costs if the land was sold.

Ed Tracy of Selden Fox made a presentation to the board on the draft audit. He said that the township was in good financial condition with adequate balances in the Town Funds. When questioned by Mr. King, Mr. Tracy said that his firm audited three other townships. He also said that it is not common for townships to have separate reserve fund accounts.

Mr. Karantonis said that he had not had enough time to review the draft audit and the board tabled approval until the October meeting.

Committee Reports

Park

Mr. Haddad said he would schedule a committee meeting in the fall.

Youth

Mr. Haddad said he was planning on working with our three local high school PTA's on cyberbullying awareness. He said this would start in the next 30-60 days.

Senior

No report.

Cemetery

No report.

Communication

No report.

Finance

No report.

New/Old business

The board was in agreement to direct the township attorney to send a letter to the City of Naperville offering the land back to them for purchase. Mr. Karantonis asked the attorney to copy all of the board members on the letter and she agreed to do so.

Bill Payment

Mr. King made a motion to approve the September bills in the amount of \$636,363.26 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, 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 half of September in the amount of \$43,078.96 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees King and Haddad all aye. Mr. Karantonis voting nay. Motion passed 3-1.

Mr. Morse made a motion to move to executive session to discuss a personnel matter at 8:20 PM which passed by voice vote.

Adjournment

The board ended closed session at 8:35. Mr. King made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Next meeting: October 13, 2011, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting
Wheatland Township Administration Center
31 W 236 91st Street
Naperville, Illinois 60564

Chuck Kern, Town Clerk
Wheatland Township

Date: October 13, 2011

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Wheatland Township, Will County

Wheatland Township Administration Center

31 W 236 91st Street

Naperville, Illinois 60564

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Wheatland Township, Will County

Special Board Meeting

Monday, September 19, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

Todd Morse called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call

Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Trustee Haddad, Trustee Hudetz were present.

Trustee Karantonis and Town Clerk Kern were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Morse led the Pledge.

Supervisor's Report

There was discussion on different options for various insurance policies.

Trustee Frank King made a motion to approve the current Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance Policy for the next year. Motion was seconded by Trustee Joe Hudetz.

Roll call: Supervisor Morse, Trustees King, Trustee Haddad and Trustee Hudetz voting aye.

There was -0- voting nay. Motion passed 4-0.

Adjournment

Mr. Haddad made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43pm. Motion was seconded by Trustee Joe Hudetz.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43pm

September 19, 2011 @ 7:30pm

Next meeting: October 13, 2011, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting
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31 W 236 91st Street
Naperville, Illinois 60564

Chuck Kern, Clerk
Wheatland Township
Date: September 19, 2011
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Wheatland Township, Will County
Wheatland Township Administration Center
31 W 236 91st Street

Wheatland Township, Will County
Township Board Meeting
Thursday, October 13, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

Clerk Chuck Kern called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

Roll Call

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Frank King led the Pledge.

Public Comment

Deb Holscher, 2708 Modaff, Naperville, questioned the large legal fees that Ancel Glink is billing the township. She also complained about a letter sent by the Supervisor to the Plainfield School Board that she said was filled with inaccuracies about the August 9, 2011 electors meeting.

Mike Crockett, 3144 Kewanee, Naperville, also complained about misinformation in the letter referenced above.

Clerk Report

Mr. King made a motion to approve the September 7, 2011 meeting minutes and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad and King voting aye. Trustee Hudetz abstained. Motion passed 3-0-1.

Plan Commission Report

Keri Harris of Shaw Environmental made a presentation to the board asking their support of a plan to fill in a floodplain area. The area is located near Keating and Normantown Rd. and will be filled with native vegetation. It was noted that this project was unanimously approved by the township Plan

Commission. Mr. King made a motion to approve Resolution #11-06 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees Haddad, Hudetz and King all aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Assessor's Report

We are currently in the middle of appeal hearings. At this point we are still unsure as to how many appeals we actually have as the county does not even have them all entered. They are speculating that the county, not our township will have approximately 3,000 appeals vs. the 1,200 they had last year.

We have currently received about 200 which is not bad considering this is a quadrennial reassessment year.

The county is hopeful to have all residential hearings wrapped up by the second week of November and to begin commercial hearings the week of Thanksgiving.

Kelli Lord, Assessor

Highway Commissioner's Report

Mr. Jarnagin commented that he has signed an agreement with the City of Naperville to overlay Book Rd. He said that half of the project is funded with stimulus money from the federal government.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Morse advised the board that he was planning to create a new office in the building for Jay Madalon and that he would bring a plan to the board for approval soon.

Ed Tracy from Selden Fox was present to answer questions on the audit for fiscal year 2011. Mr. Hudetz asked about the increase in infrastructure from \$400,000 to \$1,000,000 and was told by Mr. Tracy it was for road reconstruction. He also asked for a change in the Management Letter regarding the new township building and was told that Mr. Morse did not approve any changes. Mr. Haddad made a motion to approve the audit and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad and King voting aye. Trustee Hudetz voting nay. Motion passed 3-1.

Mr. Hudetz asked if a response had been received from Naperville regarding the purchase of the land that had been offered to them. Mr. Morse stated no response had been received.

Discussion of new audit firm was tabled until next month.

Discussion occurred regarding payment of past due bills to the Naperville Sun. Mr. King made a motion to pay the past due bills and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustee Haddad, Hudetz and King all aye. Nays none. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Morse mentioned that the Grommon family had purchased a new monument at the township cemetery and that a card of thanks would be sent to them.

Mr. Morse advised that Karl Karantonis had resigned as the Plan Commission liason and had been replaced by Mr. King.

Mr. Morse advised that recycling of electronics would be available at the township on October 22.

Mr. King made a motion to approve the September 19, 2011 special meeting minutes and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz and King all aye. Nays none. Motion passed 4-0.

Committee Reports

Park

Mr. Haddad stated the committee was looking for new members.

Youth

Mr. Haddad stated that he was looking to get a pilot program going with the local schools regarding cyberbullying. Mr. Hudetz asked to be included and advised when this will occur. He also asked Mr. Haddad how his program compares to one promoted by School District 204 this month. Mr. Haddad stated that his program was targeting 5th graders as opposed to the middle school age kids targeted by the schools,

Senior

Mr. Hudetz said the last luncheon was well attended and that the next program would be a discussion about issues with winter weather. He said he was going to look into getting wider publicity in the community regarding the senior events.

Cemetery

No report.

Communication

No report.

Finance

Mr. Morse said the committee would be working on next years levy.

New/Old business

Mr. Haddad said he was looking into the costs of providing residents with a Dial -a-Ride program.

Bill Payment

Mr. Hudetz asked why Ancel Glink was six months behind with their billing to the township. Mr. Morse said it was an oversight. Mr. Hudetz asked for and was provided with the itemized bills and they were reviewed. Mr. Hudetz complained that at least half of the legal fees were associated with thwarting the will of the people on the new building project. He also said that he had no idea these costs were being incurred at the time and said that Ancel Glink was functioning as the Supervisor's private attorney. He also asked who decides who gets to talk to the attorney, noting that Mr. Haddad had also been conferencing with Ancel Glink. Mr. Morse stated that the trustees need to call him before talking to the attorney.

Mr. King made a motion to approve the October bills of \$170,425.57 and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse and Trustees Haddad and King voting aye. Mr. Hudetz voting nay. Motion passed 3-1.

Mr. Haddad made a motion to approve the payroll in the amount of \$42,788.18 for the period of October 1-15th and was seconded. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz and King all aye. Nays none. Motion passed 4-0.

The board moved to closed session at 8:33 PM.

Adjournment

The board returned to open session at 9:04 PM. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and passed by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Next meeting: November 10, 2011, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting

Wheatland Township Administration Center
31 W 236 91st Street
Naperville, Illinois 60564

Chuck Kern, Town Clerk
Wheatland Township

Date: December 8, 2011

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Wheatland Township, Will County

Wheatland Township Administration Center

31 W 236 91st Street

Wheatland Township, Will County

Township Board Meeting

Thursday, November 10, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

Call to order

Clerk Chuck Kern called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call

Supervisor Morse, Clerk Kern and Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, Karantonis and King all present. Also in attendance were Highway Commissioner Jarnagin and Collector Rahman.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Haddad led the Pledge.

Public Comment

Tricia Tillotson, 4832 Clearwater, Naperville, asked the board why they would want to eliminate the Deputy Clerk job, which is a volunteer position. She stated that she thought the board was retaliating against Deputy Clerk Bill Alstrom because he disagrees with the board on certain issues. She stated that she is disappointed because the board is not following conservative values.

Julie Berkowicz, 405 Gateshead, Naperville, asked the board not to eliminate the Deputy Clerk position. She asked why they want to expand programs with new employees and then eliminate volunteers. She also complained about a lack of response to numerous emails she has sent to the township office and provided copies to the Supervisor.

Ben Nureczyk, 24448 Saint Annes Ct., Naperville, asked the board to retain Mr. Alstrom as Deputy Clerk.

Deb Holscher, 2708 Modaff, Naperville, asked the board why they would eliminate a volunteer position when it is of no cost to the taxpayer. She said that Mr. Alstrom did a great job working with the township Space Committee. She also complained about legal bills that the township is incurring that are excessive.

Dianne Galat, 2776 Modaff, Naperville, spoke in support of Mr. Alstrom.

Dawn DeSart, 11S766 Robert, Naperville, stated she did not think the board would eliminate the Deputy Clerk position due to public opposition.

Lou Trott, 2814 Wedgewood, Naperville, said he agreed with the previous speakers comments.

Clerk Report

Discussion occurred regarding the October 13, 2011 minutes. Mr. Haddad said he would email some corrections to the Clerk. The Clerk said he would review the tape to determine the exact comment from a member of the public and it was determined the approval would be tabled until December.

Plan Commission Report

Mr. King said a December 7, 2011 meeting is planned.

Assessor's Report

No report.

Highway Commissioner's Report

Mr. Jarnagin said he was getting the trucks and plows ready for the winter.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Morse said that he was working on adding an office for Jay Madalon and also getting a quote for further upgrades to the building.

Sally Williams of Dial a Ride was present. A lengthy discussion occurred regarding offering ride services to Wheatland residents. Ms. Williams recommended that the township design its own program based on the needs of the residents. Mr. Haddad stated that a number of seniors and others are calling the township for rides. Mr. Karantonis said that the township should work with the Naperville Park District to provide ride services. Mr. Hudetz said that he would like to look into contracting with other governmental bodies to provide the services. Mr. Haddad wanted to approve a plan not to exceed \$50,000 in cost to provide rides to citizens. Mr. Morse asked that Mr. Haddad form a committee to determine the parameters of a ride program and report back to the board in

December.

Mr. King made a motion to approve the 2012 Holiday schedule. Mr. Karantonis stated he would like to see the holidays reduced from 13 to 10 days. He was advised that the proposed schedule was consistent with the Assessor's Office and Will County. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz and King all aye. Mr. Karantonis voting nay. Motion passed 4-1.

Discussion occurred regarding the 2012 board meeting schedule and the matter was tabled until December.

Mr. Morse stated that he has not heard back from Naperville regarding their possible purchase of the township land.

The Finance Committee recommended Klein Hall as the new township auditor. Mr. Karantonis made a motion to approve Klein Hall as auditor. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, Karantonis and King all aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Morse said that the electronics recycling program received over 7,000 lbs. of electronics and batteries. He said that a better job needs to be done advertising the service. He also mentioned the township is doing a food drive for Thanksgiving for needy families and is promoting it through School District 204.

Mr. Morse stated that the township was collecting for Toys for Tots. Mr. Karantonis asked that a sign advertising the program be posted.

A motion was made to approve the attached Township Mission Statement. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, Karantonis and King all aye. Motion passed 5-0. It was determined that this would be put on the agenda to revisit in the future.

Mr. King made a motion to eliminate the Deputy Clerk position. Discussion occurred regarding the reasons for the action. Mr. King said it was because Mr. Alstrom exceeded his authority by signing a contract with the Plainfield School District. Mr. Hudetz asked why that was a problem when Mr. Morse signed a no bid contract with Wight Construction for services regarding the new building. It was determined that a new resolution would be brought in December forcing the Clerk to get board approval on any appointment to the Deputy Clerk position.

Committee Reports

Park

A meeting is scheduled for November 16 at 7PM.

Youth

Mr. Haddad spoke with grade schools in District 204 regarding working with them on cyberbullying.

Senior

Mr. Hudetz said a great meeting occurred last month.

Cemetery

No report.

Communication

No report.

Finance

No report.

New/Old business

Mr. Karantonis said that he would like to discuss reducing the levy for 2012-2013 and wants to return some of the funds on hand to the taxpayers. He was told it would be discussed in December.

Bill Payment

Mr. Hudetz complained about what he viewed as excessive legal fees. He said that thousands have been wasted trying to thwart the will of the people on the building project and on the Deputy Clerk issue. Mr. King made a motion to approve the monthly bills in the amount of \$38,560.82. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad and King all aye. Trustees Hudetz and Karantonis voting no. Motion passed 3-2.

Mr. King made a motion to approve the payroll in the amount of \$43,012.96, for the first half of November. Roll call – Supervisor Morse, Trustees Haddad, Hudetz and King all aye. Trustee Karantonis voting no. Motion passed 4-1.

Adjournment

Mr. King made a motion to adjourn and the motion passed by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:13 PM.

Next meeting: December 8, 2011, @ 7:30 P.M. - Regular Board Meeting
Wheatland Township Administration Center
31 W 236 91st Street
Naperville, Illinois 60564

Chuck Kern, Town Clerk
Wheatland Township

Date: March 8, 2012

Presented

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Wheatland Township, Will County

Wheatland Township Administration Center

31 W 236 91st Street

Wheatland Township, Will County

Township Board Meeting

Thursday, December 8, 2011 @ 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Deputy Clerk Bill Alstrom

ROLL CALL

Supervisor Morse, Deputy Clerk Alstrom and Trustees Haddad, Hudetz, Karantonis and King were all present. Also in attendance were Assessor Lord and Tax Collector Rahman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Carolyn Rominger led the pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following in attendance spoke in support of adopting the Pace/Ride Dupage program in Wheatland Township. Ann Kissel, 2256 Salisbury Drive, Naperville, Jake Lukens, 5084 Prairie Sage, Naperville, Gary Brooks, 1957 Barrington Ct, Aurora, JoAnn Herzberger, 720 DeLasalle Ct, Naperville, Kristen Zeller, 10230 Sundridge Dr, Naperville, Cyndi and Adam Swansen, 519 Webster Rd, Naperville, Inge Papaeliou, 116 N Schmale Rd, Carol Stream, Gary Vician, Naperville Township Supervisor, Deb Holscher 2708 Modaff, Naperville, Tracy Vanlarhoven, 2421 Blue Spruce, Aurora.

The following in attendance made comments against 11-07-RZC 9727 South Carls Drive. Ron Potts, 9746 S. Carls Drive, Plainfield, Lil Magnusson, 9661 S, Carls Drive, Plainfield, Paul Katzel, 9537 S. Carls Drive, Plainfield, Joe Reed, 9529 S Carls Drive, Plainfield, Bill Leo, 25254 Wolf Road, Plainfield.

The petitioner for the 9727 S. Carls Drive property spoke in support of the project.

Trish Tillotson, 4832 Clearwater Drive asked the board to put any new Township building on the ballot for a referendum.

Mike Crockett filed a written objection to the 2012 tax levy.

Deb Holscher, 2708 Modaff, Naperville, asked the board if they would honor the decisions made by the electorate on 8-9-2011.

Brenda Morse, 23641 N Andrew, Plainfield, asked if due diligence was done by the Space Study Committee when making recommendations for renovating the existing building.

CLERK REPORT

A motion was made by Trustee Haddad and seconded by Trustee King to adopt the October 13, 2011 meeting minutes. The measure passed 4-0-1 with Trustee Karantonis abstaining.

The meeting minute approval for the November 10, 2011 was tabled.

PLAN COMMISSION REPORT

A discussion regarding Case 6019-S/Resolution 11-07-RZC took place. Trustee King stated that the Planning Commission recommended denial of the resolution. A motion was made by Trustee Haddad to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny the petitioners request for a special use. This motion was seconded by Trustee Hudetz. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-0-0.

ASSESSOR REPORT

The following is the submitted written report:

“We will be finishing up Commercial appeals next week and appeals will be completely wrapped up. Once appeals have finished we will begin working on neighborhood characteristics & sales for next year and start the process over”

HIGHWAY REPORT

No report

SUPERVISOR REPORT

The issue of Pace/Ride Dupage was brought up for a vote by the board. A discussion occurred and Trustee Karantonis made the following submitted motion to approve the program. Trustee Karantonis moves to approve participation in the Dial –A – Ride Dupage program to encompass all eligible residents of Wheatland Township according to senior, disabled, and Ride To Work guidelines established by the above programs for one year in the amount of \$47,000.00 with program assistance from the Naperville Park

District for the first six months. This motion was seconded by Trustee King and passed with a roll call vote of 5-0-0.

Supervisor Morse stated that all of the paneling needs to come down in the building and there is someone working on submitting a bid for the work.

The Township Board meeting schedule for 2012 was approved as submitted with a unanimous vote of all present.

Supervisor Morse presented Town Fund Ordinance 11-06-0 for discussion. The finance committee recommended a 5% reduction in the 2012 levy. Trustee Hudetz requested a levy reduction of 15% . Trustee Karantonis requested a levy reduction of 15% and to return surplus money to the taxpayer. Supervisor Morse asked Trustee Hudetz what due diligence was performed to estimate the cost of renovating the current building.

A motion was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Haddad to approve the 2012 Tax Levy for the Town Fund. A roll call vote was taken with Trustees King, Haddad and Supervisor Morse in favor and Trustees Hudetz and Karantonis voting against. The measure passed 3-2-0.

Supervisor Morse presented the Road and Bridge tax levy for 2012. Trustees Hudetz and Karantonis requested additional information pertaining to the Levy. The Highway Commissioner was not present and the information was not available. Trustee Haddad made a motion to approve and Trustee King seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Trustees King, Haddad and Supervisor Morse in favor and Trustees Karantonis and Hudetz voting against. The measure passed 3-2-0.

Supervisor Morse stated that the city of Naperville has officially turned down the option to buy back the land at 104th and Rt 59. Supervisor Morse was directed by the board to obtain three appraisals to determine the value of the property.

Carolyn Rominger stated that 25 families received food during the Thanksgiving Food Drive. She also stated that they have collected enough toys through Toys-For-Tots for 20 children. The Supervisor's office has also distributed "change cups" at 3-4 local businesses to raise additional funds to buy gift cards for the children. These gift cards would be used by the children to buy clothes and other items for Christmas.

Supervisor Morse tabled resolution 11-04-R.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TRANSPORTATION – Trustee Haddad stated the committee discussed the Dial-A-Ride program.

PARK COMMITTEE – Trustee Haddad stated the committee needs direction from the board regarding their responsibilities. Two members of the committee were present and asked numerous questions. Trustee King wanted the committee to work on the day to day operations of the park. Trustee Karantonis spoke in support of the committee and their

participation.

YOUTH COMMITTEE – Trustee Haddad stated he had been in contact with District 204 regarding a partnership pertaining to an educational Cyber Bullying package. This module would benefit the elementary children in the district.

SENIOR COMMITTEE – Trustee Hudetz stated there will be a Christmas Party in December for the seniors.

CEMETARY COMMITTEE – Tax Collector Rahman stated there last meeting dealt with cemetery expenses and the new monument.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – No report

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Supervisor Morse stated the next meeting would be after the first of the year and would be related to the upcoming budget process.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Morse stated the staff Christmas Party would be held at the Highway Department on 12-23-2011.

OLD BUSINESS

None

BILL PAYMENT

Trustee King made a motion to approve to approve payment in the amount of \$31,209.66 for the Town, Hard Road, Road and Bridge and Culvert Fund. The motion was seconded by Trustee Haddad and passed during a roll call vote of 4-1-0 with Trustee Karantonis voting against the motion.

A motion was made by Trustee Haddad to approve payroll in the amount of \$43,013.00 for the first two weeks of December and was seconded by Trustee King and passed with a roll call vote of 4-1-0 with Trustee Karantonis voting against the motion.

The meeting moved into Executive Session at 9:22pm.

The meeting ended at 9:25 pm.

Chuck Kern, Town Clerk
Approved as presented, January 12, 2012