

Minutes - Board of Town Trustees

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
Kane County, } ss.
Town of Geneva, }

THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the office of the Town Clerk at 400 Wheeler Drive on June 18, 2009, PRESENT: J. Patrick Jaeger Supervisor Sheri McMurray Deputy Town Clerk Richard Sharp Town Trustee Sharon R. Brazill Town Trustee John Connolly Town Trustee Robert Kovacs Town Trustee

M r. Patrick Jaeger acting as chairperson and Sheri McMurray as clerk. The following official business was transacted:

Also Present: Mark Wissing, Highway Commissioner
Aubrey V. Pratte, Assessor

Supervisor Patrick Jaeger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Bob McQuillen led the Pledge to the Flag.
Trustees audited the bills presented for payment.
Deputy Clerk Sheri McMurray called the roll.
Minutes of the May 21, 2009 Board of Trustees Meeting were presented for approval.
Motion by Trustee Brazill/second by Trustee Sharp to approve the Minutes as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Jaeger read a note of thanks from Leah Anderson Bond for flowers that were sent to her after the death of her husband. He also shared a thank you note from the Welcome Club of the Fox Valley for the use of the Senior Center porch for their potluck. An additional item of correspondence was received from the Geneva School District with a schedule of intergovernmental meetings.

TOWNSHIP BUSINESS:

PREVAILING WAGE RATE ORDINANCE #01-09:

Supervisor Jaeger explained that the Township and the Road District are required by statute to insure that prevailing wages (as determined by the Illinois Department of Labor) are paid to non-union workers or laborers hired by contractors or subcontractors employed by the Township. Motion by Trustee Kovacs/second by Trustee Brazill to approve Ordinance #01-09. Motion carried unanimously.

SENIOR DIRECTOR:

Senior Center Director Gayle Kennedy asked the Board to approve a request for a private party to be held by Karen and Gordon Benson on Sunday, August 18th. Trustee Sharp expressed concerns regarding having staff work on a Sunday. The Board had no objections as long as a staff member agreed to cover it.

Gayle discussed a request that she'd received from the server for the Golden Diner lunch program. The request was to bring her fifteen and nine-year-old children to the Township during the summer months while she was working. Supervisor Jaeger and the Trustees expressed concerns about liability and supervision issues. Also, Supervisor Jaeger pointed out that the Salvation Army is responsible for the supervision of this employee and perhaps they should help address her childcare issues. It was decided that the matter would be put on the agenda for the June 24, 2009 continued meeting.

The monthly free lunch is scheduled for Monday, June 22nd. The Township will provide grilled brats and hamburgers. Volunteers are always appreciated.

A Springfield trip to see the Lincoln Museum and other related sites is planned for the fall. The day long trip would leave at 6:00a.m. and return by 11:00p.m. A comfortable coach bus would transport everyone if at least 40 individuals sign up.

Other planned events include the 2nd Annual Miniature Golf Event in August and a trip to a Kane County Cougars game in July.

Supervisor Jaeger suggested that the Board needs to consider a name change for the Center to better reflect our constituency. He said numbers show that we are drawing a lot of individuals in the 70+ category but we're not reaching the 55-69. He offered that opening the Center on Saturday may help attract those who are 55 and over but still working. A Texas Hold-Em tournament on a Saturday, tennis and golf outings were discussed. Township resident, Bob McQuillen, said that Geneva High School owns Texas Hold-Em equipment that's used for after-prom and might be willing to loan it to the Center.

ASSESSOR REPORT:

Assessor Aubrey Pratte reported that he has received a tentative multiplier of one. Therefore, assessments will not change. He doesn't plan to do any reassessments and will probably turn his books in to the County in late August. After the most recent tax bills were delivered, his office received approximately 500-600 calls. Besides phone explanations, an explanation of the assessment and appeal processes was emailed to many residents.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER:

Highway Commissioner Mark Wissing reported that he had agreed to allow the Geneva School District to construct a bike path on Township right-of-way near the new Mill Creek School if they agreed to maintain it. Grengs Lane was damaged by heavy equipment. After a core sample was taken and a stress test done, the road was ground and new asphalt applied. Mill Creek South also suffered from construction traffic. The Geneva Township Road District paid one-half of the \$30,000 cost to repair it.

Supervisor Jaeger asked if the School District had agreed to cover liability on the bike path. Mark said they had not.

A new cell phone has been purchased so residents can reach Mark outside of the office.

SUPERVISOR:

Supervisor Jaeger thanked the Highway Commissioner for helping to move items to the new storage facility.

He reported that 30-40 people attended the Memorial Day Flag Ceremony at the Township and many stayed for coffee and donuts. Flags were also placed at the graves of Veterans buried in the Westside and Oak Hill Cemeteries.

Landscapers have been cleaning up the plant beds, replacing some plants and securing the benches placed along the path that have been damaged by skateboarders.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

TOWN FUND	38,297.79
GENERAL ASSISTANCE	1,814.51
ROAD & BRIDGES	8,294.79
TOTAL	\$48,406.94

Motion by Trustee Brazill/second by Trustee Sharp to pay the bills as audited. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Jaeger indicated that two additional items needed to be placed on next week's June 24, 2009 Continued Meeting: approval of the funding grant from the Kane County River Boat fund and consideration of the Eagle Scout Project Plan to construct a bocce ball court for the Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

An announcement was made regarding the Swedish Days Parade. Mark Wissing asked that anyone interested in riding on the float arrive by 11:30. It will be necessary to leave by 11:45 in order to get lined up.

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**No other business was brought before the Board of Trustees.
Motion by Trustee Sharp/second by Trustee Kovacs to adjourn.
Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

**Sheri McMurray
Deputy Township Clerk**