

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD  
TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2013 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL,  
ZION, ILLINOIS**

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**SWEARING-IN/OATH OF OFFICE**

Judge George Bridges administered the oath of office to Cheri Neal for Township Supervisor.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Neal called the meeting to order.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Trustees Flammini, Hill, DeTienne, and Chairman Neal. Larry Wicketts, Township Assessor, was also present.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Student members of the Zion Elementary District Student Council Coalition were present to receive a Certificate of Completion and medal for their participation in district initiatives such as “Attendance Counts” and “Respect, Respect”. Katrina Wilke, Student Council Advisor from Beulah Park School, gave a brief overview of the program. Jessica Evans, East School, Sara Lee Pierce, Elmwood School, Jessica Wright, West School, Don Dean, Central Middle School, and Katrina Wilke (for Julia Miller), Shiloh Park School, received the awards for each school.

**MINUTES**

It was moved by Trustee DeTienne, seconded by Trustee Flammini that the minutes of a regular meeting held April 16, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. be approved as presented, all members having received printed copies prior to the meeting. The vote on roll call was: Trustees Flammini, aye; Hill, pass; DeTienne, aye; and Chairman Neal, aye. Motion carried.

**BILLS**

It was moved by Trustee Flammini, seconded by Trustee DeTienne that bills be authorized for payment as follows:

<u>Township Fund</u>	
Assessor’s Office	\$ 54,464.48
Community Support	\$ 0
Youth Services	\$ 468.00
Senior Services	\$ 2,089.98
Other	\$ 54,646.17
Township Fund Total Expenses	\$111,668.63
<u>General Assistance Fund</u>	
Public Support	\$ 7,813.96
Community Support	\$ 3,800.00
Other	\$ 12,224.19
General Assistance Fund Total Expenses	\$ 23,838.15
FICA Total Expenses	\$ 5,267.19
IMRF Total Expenses	\$ 8,967.62
<b>TOTAL BILLS:</b>	<b>\$149,741.59</b>

Trustee Hill requested that the Trustees receive a breakdown of “other expenses”. Chairman Neal will request such a breakdown from the Township’s contracted accounting firm.

The vote on roll call was: Trustees Flammini, aye; Hill, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Chairman Neal, aye. Motion carried.

**BUDGET/FISCAL YEAR MAY 1, 2013 - APRIL 30, 2014**

It was the consensus of the Board that a Township budget workshop be conducted prior to the Budget Hearing on June 18, 2013, with the date and time to be determined at a later date.

**ASSESSOR’S REPORT**

Larry Wicketts stated that the books would be complete in mid-June and blue cards are expected to be out in mid-August. He stated that the Assessor’s Office will be hosting an open house for residents. Mr. Wicketts stated that seniors will receive an extra \$1,000 of exemption next year which equates to approximately \$180.

**SUPERVISOR’S REPORT**

Chairman Neal presented the monthly report for April 2013.

Chairman Neal made the following announcements:

Zion Student Council Coalition is celebrating two years of completion.

Consumer Credit Counseling Services are now providing one on one services at Zion Township on Thursdays. Appointments can be made by calling 815-338-5757.

The Latino Task Force made up of the key stakeholders from the schools, library, police department and township, have prepared a community survey to determine needs. Information will be disseminated this summer.

The ZB Run Squad's "Mama's Run" had over 200 runners. Proceeds went to the Coalition for Healthy Communities. The next run, The Reading Run, supporting the Zion-Benton Public Library, is scheduled for June 15th. Information is available at [www.zbrun.org](http://www.zbrun.org).

The Zion Benton Leadership Academy applications for 2013 are available. Visit [www.zbchc.com](http://www.zbchc.com).

Summer Work Program interviews have been completed and 74 youth will be hired this year. Orientation will be held on June 17th.

221 seniors enjoyed Senior Resource Day which was provided by 42 vendors.

Meals on Wheels Volunteers are needed for 45 minutes one day a week. There will be a volunteer training on Thursday, June 13th.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Clyde McLemore, 2815 Ezekiel, stated that, according to the General Assistance Handbook, Section 334-5, the Township can give clients who are felons general assistance and the Supervisor must motion it up.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, it was moved by Trustee DeTienne, seconded by Trustee Flammini and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 7:02 p.m. Motion carried.

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Town Clerk