

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2014 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS**

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Chairman Neal called the meeting to order.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Trustees Hill, Flammini, DeTienne, and Chairman Neal. Trustee Taylor and Assessor Wicketts were absent.

**MINUTES**

It was moved by Trustee Flammini, seconded by Trustee DeTienne that the minutes of a Workshop Meeting held on December 16, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. and a Regular Meeting held on December 17, 2013 at 6:32 p.m. be approved, all members having received printed copies prior to the meeting. The vote on roll call was: Trustees Hill, aye; Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Chairman Neal, aye. Motion carried.

**BILLS**

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

<u>Township Fund</u>			
Assessor's Office		\$ 25,168.26	
Community Support		\$ 228.64	
Youth Services		\$ 0	
Senior Services		\$ 1,155.09	
Operating Expenses		\$84,237.31	
Township Fund Total Expenses			\$110,789.30
 <u>General Assistance Fund</u>			
Public Support		\$ 7,262.64	
Community Support		\$ 0	
Operating Expenses		\$ 11,267.48	
General Assistance Fund Total Expenses			\$ 18,530.12
 <u>FICA</u> Total Expenses			\$ 3,582.98
 <u>IMRF</u> Total Expenses			\$ 7,495.04
 <b>TOTAL BILLS:</b>			<b>\$ 140,397.44</b>

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

**ASSESSOR'S REPORT**

There was no Assessor's Report.

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION/ELF NETWORK COLLABORATION**

Chairman Neal stated that she would like to recognize the people who worked together to provide Christmas gifts for 101 families in Zion. She stated that the Township is the “dots connector”. She stated that the social workers from the Zion school districts identify families that are struggling and fill out a form that includes grading the parent on how attentive they are to their children's needs. It is an opportunity for them to remind the parents of what matters in regards to the child being successful in school. The forms are then faxed to Zion Township. SVP (Santa for the Very Poor) adopted 80 families. At St Mary of the Angels Church, 80 bags were stuffed with gifts specific to the age and gender of the kids and parents. Rick Delisle delivered the gifts to the Township. The Zion-Benton Leadership Academy planning committee members helped unload the truck. Christian Erzinger and Dave Knop delivered two bags of groceries for each family, as well as a \$50 gift card. General Assistance clients and Township staff helped to unload. Anonymous donors contributed additional gifts for families. Zion Energy Solutions employees served an additional 21 families through \$900 collected in employee contributions. Zion Benton Kiwanis members collected gifts for younger children which were added to the baskets. Bernie’s Books delivered books for each of the children. To sort gifts and get ready for delivery day, Julie and Tom Wendorf and Nancy Inskeep worked with Township Staff. On delivery day, Julie and Tom Wendorf, Robin Sherwood, Karen Lovett, Jimmie Smith, and Murvin Elrod assisted. Along with these efforts, Love INC churches worked to hold a clothing closet to provide families with additional clothing items. Pastor Mike McDowell worked with many others at Christ Community Church to provide a dinner for the recipients. Consumer Credit Counseling offered free sessions to assist families, Zion Township offered resource appointments and CREW offered a parenting class.

**SUPERVISOR’S REPORT**

Chairman Neal stated that the December Monthly Report was being corrected and she would email it to Trustees on January 22, 2014.

Chairman Neal stated that February Senior Building visits include Carmel House on Wednesday, February 5th at 8:00 a.m. and Zion Senior Cottages on Tuesday, February 4th at 12:00 noon. She will be touring A Safe Place on Wednesday, January 22nd at 10:00 a.m.

Chairman Neal stated that the PBIS Youth Leadership Team community video has been completed and will be shared in the classrooms and at the next Coalition for Healthy Communities meeting.

Chairman Neal stated that the ZB Run Squad will hold its next meeting on Thursday, February 7, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Neal stated that a Mortgage Foreclosure Presentation for Township officials and staff will be held on Thursday, February 13th from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. in Libertyville.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, it was moved by Trustee Hill, seconded by Trustee Flammini and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 6:40 p.m. Motion carried.

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Town Clerk