

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2014 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY
HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS**

Chairman Neal called the meeting to order.

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

MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Taylor, seconded by Trustee Flammini that the minutes of a Regular Meeting held on August 19, 2014 at 6:32 p.m. be approved, with all members having received printed copies prior to the meeting. The vote on roll call was: Trustees Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; and Chairman Neal, aye. Motion carried.

BILLS

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

Authorize bills for payment

Assessor’s Office	\$ 14,277.73	
Community Support	\$ 50.00	
Youth Services	\$ 3,018.47	
Senior Services	\$ 867.54	
Operating Expenses	\$ 33,978.54	
Township Fund Total Expenses		\$ 52,192.28
<u>General Assistance Fund</u>		
Public Support	\$ 5,742.44	
Community Support	\$ 0	
Operating Expenses	\$ 12,303.49	
General Assistance Fund Total Expenses		\$ 18,045.93
<u>FICA</u> Total Expenses		\$ 2,963.15
<u>IMRF</u> Total Expenses		\$ 6,952.19
TOTAL BILLS:		\$ 80,153.55

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

ASSESSOR’S REPORT

Assessor Wicketts stated that the appeal period for 2014 has passed. He stated that the number of appeals was down from last year with a total of 424 complaints being received. Of those 424 appeals, he stated that 32 were commercial and 60 were owner occupied residential. Assessor Wicketts stated that the remaining appeals were landlord/rental properties.

Assessor Wicketts stated that the County has a new system and he anticipates it being very expensive. This additional expense should be taken into consideration at budget time.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

Chairman Neal presented the Zion Township Monthly Report for August 2014.

Chairman Neal stated that the Community of Character Word Search is in full swing. She stated that information is available in businesses, on Facebook, in schools, government agencies, and at community events. She stated that a Character Walk held on September 11, 2014 was a great success. Attendees walked from the Zion Park District Band Shell to Salem Blvd. near the Police Administration Building and enjoyed a movie and other activities.

Chairman Neal stated that Consumer Credit Counseling services are available for one-on-one consultations at Zion Township each Thursday.

Chairman Neal stated that the Zion Benton Leadership Academy has chosen the twelve 2014 participants and they have been paired with a mentor. Graduation will be held on November 15, 2014 at Shepherd’s Crook Golf Course.

Chairman Neal stated that Zion Township is partnering with Zion Elementary School District 6 with the Youth Leadership Team. She stated that she is becoming certified to teach the 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teams.

Chairman Neal stated that this month’s greatest concern and frustration has been the lack of resources for the homeless. She stated that she will be meeting with PADS in October to discuss the issue.

Chairman Neal stated that she would be out of town from September 17th through September 29th.

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 6:38 p.m. Motion carried.

Town Clerk