

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 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 Flammini, DeTienne, Hill, Taylor and Chairman Neal. Assessor Wicketts was present.

**MINUTES**

It was moved by Trustee Flammini, seconded by Trustee Hill that the minutes of a Regular Meeting held on October 21, 2014 at 6:30 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; Hill, aye; Taylor, aye and Chairman Neal, pass. Motion carried.

**BILLS**

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

Authorize bills for payment

Assessor's Office	\$15,858.08	
Community Support	\$ 60.00	
Youth Services	\$ 6.22	
Senior Services	\$ 6,638.30	
Operating Expenses	\$ 29,079.30	
Township Fund Total Expenses		\$ 51,641.90
<u>General Assistance Fund</u>		
Public Support	\$ 9,242.12	
Community Support	\$ 0	
Operating Expenses	\$ 12,105.70	
General Assistance Fund Total Expenses		\$ 21,347.82
<u>FICA</u> Total Expenses		\$ 2,843.60
<u>IMRF</u> Total Expenses		\$ 6,966.78
<b>TOTAL BILLS:</b>		<b>\$ 82,800.10</b>

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

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT/YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2014**

It was moved by Trustee Hill, seconded by Trustee Taylor to receive and place on file the Zion Township Annual Financial Report (audit) for the year ending April 30, 2014. The vote on roll call was: Trustees Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Hill, aye; Taylor, aye and Chairman Neal, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION/TRUTH IN TAXATION LAW/TAX LEVY**

It was moved by Trustee Taylor, seconded by Trustee Flammini that a Resolution (2014-R-2) be passed estimating that the proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2014 are \$889,325.71, which represents a 12.6% decrease over the previous year. The vote on roll call was: Trustees Flammini, aye; DeTienne, aye; Hill, aye; Taylor, aye and Chairman Neal, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

Chairman Neal stated that the corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2013 were \$1,017,556.97. She stated that, because the proposed increase is less than 5%, a public hearing is not required under the Truth in Taxation Law. However, the Zion Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed levy during the regular Township meeting on December 16, 2014.

**ASSESSOR'S REPORT**

There was no Assessor's Report.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

Chairman Neal stated that a monthly report is not being provided due to tabulating problems.

Chairman Neal stated that she considered changing banks from PNC to First Merit, but after careful consideration, decided not to transfer services to First Merit bank. She stated that information provided by Accounting about Illinois Metro Fund showed that the Township would face a loss of interest income of about \$2,000, which outweighs the benefits of easier access to past checks and monthly collateralization statements. She stated that an improved effort will be made to connect with government bankers from PNC to iron out issues.

Chairman Neal stated that the Elf Network has launched with 65 families having been identified for support for Christmas this year from Santa for the Very Poor.

Chairman Neal stated that the Zion Benton Leadership Academy graduation was held on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at Shepherd's Crook Golf Course.

Chairman Neal stated that Zion Township partnered with Zion Elementary District with the Youth Leadership Team. Youth are being trained in the 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens. The next meeting is on Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman Neal stated that there will be a mobile food pantry at Abiding Love Food Pantry/ Christian Assembly of God, 2929 Bethel Blvd, Zion on Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 10a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Chairman Neal stated that Zion Township offices will be closed on Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. for the Christmas lunch.

**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 6:58 p.m. Motion carried.

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Town Clerk