

**MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TOWN OF ZION HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015, AT 6:15 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS**

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Town Clerk Burkemper called the Public Hearing to order.

The Town Clerk declared nominations in order for the position of Moderator of the Public Hearing. It was moved by Elector/Trustee Al Hill, seconded by Elector/Trustee Jim Taylor and unanimously approved that Cheri Neal serve as Moderator of the Public Hearing. Ms. Neal was sworn in as Moderator.

**BUDGET/FISCAL YEAR MAY 1, 2015 – APRIL 30, 2016**

Supervisor Neal presented the Fiscal Year May 1, 2015 through April 30, 2016 Township Supervisor's budget, a copy of which is appended to these minutes. She stated that the budget has been reduced by 34% over the past four years. She stated that the Township tax levy showed no increase in residents' tax bills.

Assessor Wicketts presented the Fiscal Year May 1, 2015 through April 30, 2016 Township Assessor's budget in the amount of \$174,000, a copy of which is appended to these minutes, which is a reduction from \$207,000 in the 2014/2015 budget due to personnel changes. Assessor Wicketts stated that the Township represents only 2% of the total tax bill.

Moderator Neal asked for comments or questions pertaining to the Supervisor and Assessor's budgets, and there were none.

It was moved by Elector/Trustee Jim Taylor, seconded by Elector/Trustee Al Hill and unanimously approved to refer the Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016 to the Town Board of Trustees for discussion at their regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2015, at 6:30 P.M. Upon voice vote, all answered aye. Motion carried.

**MODERATOR'S SALARY**

It was moved by Elector/Trustee Frank Flammini, seconded by Elector/Trustee Al Hill, that the Moderator's Salary be regarded as a civic engagement opportunity and not be salary based, therefore, setting the 2015 and all subsequent moderators' salaries at \$0. Upon voice vote, all answered aye. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

It was moved by Elector/Trustee Lloyd DeTienne, seconded by Elector/Trustee Al Hill and unanimously approved the Public Hearing be adjourned at 6:25 P.M. Motion carried.

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Town Clerk