

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2015 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 DeTienne, McDowell, Taylor, McKinney and Chairman Neal. Assessor Wicketts was present.

AGENDA CHANGES

It was moved by Trustee McDowell, seconded by Trustee McKinney to accept the Council agenda as presented with the following addition:

- Recognition for Adriana Ortiz – 10 years of service

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

SPECIAL PRESENTATION/10 YEARS OF SERVICE/ADRIANA ORTIZ

Supervisor Neal recognized Township employee Adriana Ortiz who completed ten years of dedicated service to the Zion Township. Ms. Ortiz was presented with a certificate, a gift, and flowers.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION/SUMMER WORK PROGRAM AWARDS

Supervisor Neal thanked Sandra Usher and Gail Gloudemans for their work with the Summer Work Program. Grace Gamboa, NICASA, received the Agency Supervisor of the Year Award. Keayon Senter received the Work Crew Supervisor of the Year Award. Zaria Etyem received the Employee of the Year Award, and Michelle Saldana received the Work Crew Employee of the Year Award.

MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee McDowell, seconded by Trustee McKinney that the minutes of a Regular Meeting held on July 21, 2015 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 DeTienne, aye; McDowell, aye; Taylor, aye; McKinney, aye; and Chairman Neal, aye. Motion carried.

BILLS

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

Authorize bills for payment

<u>Township Fund</u>		
Assessor’s Office	\$ 12,302.43	
Community Support	\$ 59.55	
Youth Services	\$ 7,250.64	
Senior Services	\$ 819.00	
Operating Expenses	\$ 27,909.54	
Township Fund Total Expenses		\$ 48,341.16

<u>General Assistance Fund</u>			
Public Support		\$ 5,498.56	
Community Support		\$ 0	
Operating Expenses		\$ 12,835.36	
General Assistance Fund Total Expenses			\$ 18,333.92
<u>FICA</u> Total Expenses			\$ 2,956.68
<u>IMRF</u> Total Expenses			\$ 4,166.65
TOTAL BILLS:			\$ 73,798.41

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

ASSESSOR’S REPORT

Assessor Wicketts stated that he is half way through the appeal period. He expects to receive between 600 and 700 appeals. He stated that the Saturday open house sessions are going well.

Assessor Wicketts stated that the outlook for 2016 property values indicates that values will be up 4% to 5% if the taxing bodies hold the line on spending. He stated that the State property value freeze is expected to hold for a couple of years.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

Chairman Neal provided the following information:

- Monthly Report for July was presented.
- The 4th class of the Zion-Benton Leadership Academy kicks off on August 27, 2015.
- ZB Community of Character is looking for nominations for people who live out the character traits of respect, perseverance, responsibility, safety, integrity and kindness.
- The Color Your World with Character Run will be on Saturday, September 5, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. in support of the Zion Park District Foundation.
- 3rd Annual Zion Area Job Fair sponsored by Melinda Bush will be held on September 10, 2015 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Zion Park District.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, it was moved by Trustee McKinney, seconded by Trustee McDowell, and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 6:55 p.m. Motion carried.

Town Clerk