

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 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, Taylor, McDowell, McKinney and Chairman Neal. Assessor Wicketts was present.

MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee McDowell, seconded by Trustee Taylor that the minutes of a Regular Meeting held on August 18, 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; Taylor, aye; McDowell, aye; McKinney, aye; and Chairman Neal, aye. Motion carried.

BILLS

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

Township Fund

Assessor’s Office	\$ 9,325.70	
Community Support	\$ 120.31	
Youth Services	\$ 2,148.80	
Senior Services	\$ 832.00	
Operating Expenses	\$ 27,403.60	
Township Fund Total Expenses		\$ 39,830.41

General Assistance Fund

Public Support	\$ 6,608.12	
Community Support	\$ 0	
Operating Expenses	\$ 11,974.76	
General Assistance Fund Total Expenses		\$ 18,582.88

FICA Total Expenses \$ 2,485.80

IMRF Total Expenses \$ 4,142.05

TOTAL BILLS: \$ 65,041.14

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

IMRF ENDORSED LONG TERM CARE PROGRAM

Chairman Neal stated that the IMRF endorsed Long Term Care Program could be offered to Township employees as a benefit as they can receive a better rate collectively. She stated that the employees pay all the costs and there would be no cost to Zion Township. Chairman Neal recommended offering the benefit to employees.

It was moved by Trustee McDowell, seconded by Trustee DeTienne to offer Zion Township employees the option of participating in the IMRF endorsed Long Term Care Program as an employee benefit. The vote on roll call was: Trustees DeTienne, aye; Taylor, aye; McDowell, aye; McKinney, aye; and Chairman Neal, aye. Motion carried.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Assessor Wicketts stated that the Saturday open house sessions were a success. He stated that 671 appeals were received and he expects to receive an additional 150 appeals. He stated that 126 changes have been made to date. He stated that Advanced Disposal was the biggest player filing an appeal which will be a unique appeal as it lies in both Zion and Benton Townships.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Chairman Neal provided the following information:

- Monthly Report for August 2015 was presented.
- 28 community leaders are participating in Crucial Conversations Training provided by Vital Smarts and Advocate Health Care. The value of this program is \$39,060 (\$1,395 per person) not including the training room space, which was donated by Grace Missionary Church and the lunches, which were donated by the Coalition for Healthy Communities.
- The 4th Class of the Zion-Benton Leadership Academy is in full swing for 2015. Graduation will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2015 at Shepherd's Crook Golf Course at 9:00 a.m.
- ZB Community of Character is looking for nominations for people who are caught living out the character traits of respect, perseverance, responsibility, safety, integrity and kindness. Send nominations to zbcharacterclub@gmail.com.
- Zion Township, the City of Zion and the Lake County Housing Authority met and discussed ways to address issues in regard to housing. The group came up with a multitude of strategies and will be meeting quarterly to track progress.
- Lake County Township Officials Dinner will be held on Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Wild Onion Pub in Lake Barrington. Supervisor Neal will be installed as the LC TOI President for a second term.
- Zion Elementary District 6 initiated welcome meetings for new families to the district. Either Supervisor Neal or Mayor Hill will be attending these events to show community support.
- The Community of Character Walk will be held on Saturday, September 19, 2015, beginning at the band shell at 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
- Zion Township, the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Love INC and the City of Zion will be meeting to discuss better ways to work together when a family is removed from their home in an emergency.
- Zion Township met with a team from Christ Community Church to partner in the Elf Network this Christmas season. The Youth Group from CCC will be assisting with packaging gifts and distribution, along with the yearly dinner that the church already provides.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, it was moved by Trustee McKinney, seconded by Trustee DeTienne, and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 6:42 p.m. Motion carried.

Town Clerk