

Maine Township Board Meeting February 24, 2009

Board Members Present: Trustees Moylan Krey, Ryan, Kazmierczak and Morask

Other Elected Officials Present: Supervisor Teschky, Highway Commissioner Provenzano, Assessor Rueckert and Collector Gialamas

Others in attendance: Mary Wahle, Dayna Berman, Dick Barton, Nancy Hughes, Dan Dowd, Robert Prorak, Sharon McLaughlin, F. Abubaker, Wiesia Tytko

Supervisor Teschky called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m., Chief Deputy Clerk Wiesia Tytko led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the roll.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of January 27, 2009 Board meeting

Trustee Kazmierczak Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the January 27, 2009 Board meeting as distributed to the Board.

Trustee Moylan Krey Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Trustee Moylan Krey Yes

Trustee Ryan Yes

Trustee Kazmierczak Yes

Trustee Morask Abstain

Supervisor Teschky Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of February 12, 2009 Special Board meeting

Trustee Ryan Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the February 12, 2009 Special Board meeting as distributed to the Board.

Trustee Morask Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Trustee Moylan Krey Yes

Trustee Ryan Yes

Trustee Kazmierczak Yes

Trustee Morask Yes

Supervisor Teschky Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Public Participation

There was no public participation at this time.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Assistance Expenditures.

Payrolls dated January 23, 2009 and February 6, 2009 and General Assistance checks #42481 through check #42534 in the amount of \$52,899.96.

Trustee Kazmierczak Motion to approve.

Trustee Moylan Krey Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Trustee Moylan Krey Yes

Trustee Ryan Yes

Trustee Kazmierczak Yes

Trustee Morask Yes

Supervisor Teschky Yes
Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Road District Expenditures
 Payrolls dated February 6, 2009 and February 20, 2009 and Road District checks #14865 through check #14915 in the amount of \$95,370.46.

Trustee Moylan Krey Motion to approve.
Trustee Kazmierczak Second.
Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:
Trustee Moylan Krey Yes
Trustee Ryan Yes
Trustee Kazmierczak Yes
Trustee Morask Yes
Supervisor Teschky Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Town Fund Expenditures
 Payrolls dated February 6, 2009 and February 20, 2009 and General Town Fund checks #44634 through check #44804 in the amount of \$281,234.12.

Trustee Morask Motion to approve.
Trustee Ryan Second.
Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:
Trustee Moylan Krey Yes
Trustee Ryan Yes
Trustee Kazmierczak Yes
Trustee Morask Yes
Supervisor Teschky Yes

Motion carried.

Supervisor Teschky stated that the finance committee met earlier to review the bills.

Agenda Item: Officials' Reports

Collector Gialamas stated that he attended the Sheriff's meeting at Maine East High School. Cook County Sheriff, Tom Dart was a speaker on gang prevention. He found this meeting very informative and he learned a few new things about gangs in the area. He also attended the NIMS training on Friday, January 30th and already received a certificate from FEMA.

Collector Gialamas stated that he was a participant of Maine Township team "The Maine Brains" on February 20th for the TLC Trivia challenge. He was pleased to say that they managed to come in third place out of twenty-five teams.

Assessor Rueckert added to his written report that his office finally and tentatively completed all of the Board of Review appeals. They are also done with the senior freezes but there will be a second mailing for people who did not responded to the first one.

Highway Commissioner Provenzano explained that the large amount of money to the municipalities in the Road & Bridge expenditures is the portion that they collected from property taxes from residents that live in incorporated areas. Half the money goes back to those various towns.

Highway Commissioner Provenzano stated that he also attended the NIMS training in our Town Hall. He added that it was very informative and we are obligated to take these courses in order to apply for federal disaster funds. He noted that he applied and received the Cook County fuel rebate money. He extended his thanks to Ms. Sharon McLaughlin for a hard work on this issue.

Highway Commissioner Provenzano attended the Upper Des Plaines River advisory committee meeting. He added that he attends these meetings because his major concern is the

water flooding our residents in unincorporated area. He also stated that on Tuesday, March 3rd he would meet with the Cook County Highway Engineers for a preconstruction meeting on the Potter Road project.

Trustee Moylan Krey stated that the Sheriff's meeting on gang prevention had a great turn out. She thanked everyone for attending and said that Cook County Sheriff, Tom Dart had a wonderful presentation.

Trustee Moylan Krey attended the NIMS training and received her certificate from FEMA. She added that the last Neighborhood Watch meeting was held on Wednesday, February 4th, it was very informative with many residents asking questions. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 4th. Trustee Moylan Krey also attended the CDBG hearing and a special Board meeting on Thursday, February 12th. She added that she is enjoying the musical rehearsals and looking forward to more.

Trustee Ryan pointed out that the musical rehearsals are a lot of fun; he likes to sing and is looking forward to the actual musical on Wednesday, March 11th.

Trustee Ryan stated that he participated in the TLC trivia and had a great time. He also enjoyed the February MaineStreamers Luncheon. He added that he attended the Niles Men's Club meeting and they discussed the flooding in the area.

Trustee Kazmierczak stated that he also attended the NIMS training and participated in the TLC trivia. He added that last Thursday, February 19th he and Trustee Ryan attended the TOCC Trustee Division Board meeting.

Trustee Morask stated that she is very happy to see the programs sponsored by Maine Township with Cook County Sheriff. She added that these programs are trying to educate the local parents and schools with respect to the increase gang involvement and risks. Trustee Morask stated that when she first started she felt a lot of resistance but now these programs are very popular. The next gang awareness seminar will be held on Wednesday, April 1st at the Maine Township Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. with Trustee Morask and other speakers who are experts on gangs. Trustee Morask pointed out that there is a lot of interest in gang awareness programs in our community and by our seniors. Trustee Moylan Krey is coordinating her part through Neighborhood Watch to alert citizens and Ms. Mary Swanson also is adding this issue for the MaineStreamers. These programs are free and done by volunteers.

Trustee Morask stated that she is happy that she is a part of the Senior Musical. She added that she attended the CDBG hearing and congratulated Highway Commissioner Provenzano on receiving Federal funds for improvements and not using taxpayer's money for these improvements. She also pointed out that she is impressed with the Assessor's Rueckert office handling 600 appeals with an amazing effort.

Supervisor Teschky stated that we had our first NIMS training on Friday, January 30th. The training was a three-hour overview course, and we need to have a couple more in order to receive the Federal funds.

Supervisor Teschky pointed out that the Cook County Sheriff's presentation on gangs at Maine East was very interesting and informative. She added that on Friday, February 6th she and Ms. Mary Wahle attended the IMRF Employer Rate meeting in Skokie. On Monday, February 9th she got a phone call from Holy Family Medical Center that their employees would like to contribute to our troops. Ms. Mary Swanson accepted the donations and passed them to our contact for troops overseas. On Thursday, February 12th CDBG hearing and Special Board meeting was held at our Town Hall. She added that she also enjoys musical rehearsals and mentioned that on Monday, March 16th our auditors will be here.

Supervisor Teschky reminded everyone that the annual Open House is scheduled for Tuesday, March 3rd. All departments will have a table with their information, an impersonator of President Abe Lincoln will come to speak and greet our public. Some Gemini Jr. High Orchestra students will be performing and Scout Troop 50 will present the colors.

Agenda Item: Attorney's Report

Attorney Dowd had nothing new to report.

Agenda Item: Administrator's Report

Administrator Berman stated that we developed a relationship with the Kaufman bakery. They contacted Ms. Marsha Warnick and now they deliver one-day old bread for donations twice a week. She thanked Mr. Richard Lyon for being a great Webmaster, for improving and updating our website with the recently added E-news letter.

Administrator Berman noted that the Reilly-Bialczak scholarship applications would be accepted. The US Census Bureau is using our location for their training and they are extremely appreciative for that.

Supervisor Teschky added that we started a new recycling program in our building. This program is sponsored by the Avenues to Independence and they accept all small electronics and used ink cartridges, cell phones and digital cameras.

Agenda Item: Personnel

None.

Agenda Item: Old Business

There were no Old Business issues to discuss.

Agenda Item: New Business, Budget Hearing Dates, April 28, 2009

Supervisor Teschky proposed to schedule Budget Hearings for April 28, 2009 prior to the regular Board meeting. She added that a tentative budgets need to be on file in the Clerk's office thirty days prior to budget hearings.

Trustee Morask Motion to schedule the Budget Hearings for Tuesday, April 28, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. for General Assistance and General Town Fund, and at 7:15 p.m. for Road District Fund.

Trustee Kazmierczak Second.

All in favor.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

Agenda Item: New Business, Annual Town Meeting - April 14, 2009

Supervisor Teschky reminded everyone that the Annual Town Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Maine Township Town Hall.

Agenda Item: New Business, Approval of Agenda of Annual Town Meeting, 2009

Supervisor Teschky presented the proposed Agenda for the Annual Town Meeting. She entertained a motion to accept the proposed agenda.

Trustee Kazmierczak Motion to accept the Agenda for the 2009 Annual Town Meeting. (See attached)

Trustee Morask Second.

All in favor.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

Agenda Item: New Business, Supervisor's Annual Financial Statement, April 8, 2009

Supervisor Teschky stated that the Supervisor's Annual Financial Statement meeting needs to be held at least two days prior to the Annual Town Meeting. She suggested holding this meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Kazmierczak Motion to hold the Supervisor's Annual Financial Statement meeting on Wednesday, April 8th at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Morask Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Trustee Moylan Krey Yes
Trustee Ryan Yes
Trustee Kazmierczak Yes
Trustee Morask Yes
Supervisor Teschky Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: New Business, Approval of Continuing Resolutions

Supervisor Teschky stated that we need to approve the Continuing Resolutions for the fiscal year 2008-2009 to allow us to continue to pay bills until the new budget is passed.

Supervisor Teschky read out loud the Resolution 2009-3.

Trustee Kazmierczak Motion to approve the Continuing Resolution 2009-3 for General Assistance and General Town Fund.

Trustee Moylan Krey Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Trustee Moylan Krey Yes
Trustee Ryan Yes
Trustee Kazmierczak Yes
Trustee Morask Yes
Supervisor Teschky Yes

Motion carried.

Trustee Teschky read out loud the Resolution 2009-RB-1.

Trustee Moylan Krey Motion to approve the Continuing Resolution 2009-RB-1 for Road District Fund.

Trustee Ryan Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Trustee Moylan Krey Yes
Trustee Ryan Yes
Trustee Kazmierczak Yes
Trustee Morask Yes
Supervisor Teschky Yes

Motion carried.

Highway Commissioner Provenzano pointed out that there were huge graffiti in the unincorporated area. Cook County Sheriff was notified and the graffiti was removed very quickly.

Highway Commissioner Provenzano informed everyone that he had a very nice interview by the Comcast Newsmakers.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Trustee Kazmierczak Motion to adjourn.

Trustee Moylan Krey Second.

All in favor.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Maine Township Clerk

**Maine Township
Annual Town Meeting
April 14, 2009
7:00 p.m.**

1. Call meeting to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Selection of Moderator and Parliamentarian
4. Old Business
 - Approval of Minutes of the 2008 Annual Town Meeting
 - Supervisor's Reports
 - Recognition of Maine Township Staff
5. New Business
 - Establishment of Township Fiscal Year
 - Establishment of Date for 2010 Annual Town Meeting
 - Compensation of Moderator
6. Adjournment