

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Supervisor and Board of Trustees of Wheeling Township, for August 24, 2010, was held in the Community Room, 1616 North Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois. Supervisor Schroeder called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Clerk Ulreich called the roll and the following members were present: Supervisor Michael Schroeder, Trustee Michael Domrzalski, Trustee Ruth O'Connell, Trustee Kathy Penner, and Trustee JoAnne Schultz.

Also in attendance: Wheeling Township Highway Commissioner Scott Saewert, Wheeling Township Assessor Dan Patlak, Wheeling Township Collector Ken Jochum, Township Attorney Nanci Rogers and Wheeling Township Director of Administration and Finance Josephine Stellato.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those assembled joined in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION #1: APPROVAL OF MEETING – JULY 24, 2010

Motion by Trustee Schultz, seconded by Trustee Penner, to approve the minutes from the July 24, 2010 board meeting, as presented.

VOICE CALL VOTE: All Ayes...Motion #1 Carried.

AUDIT**MOTION #2: AUDIT FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND**

Motion by Trustee Domrzalski, seconded by Trustee Penner, to approve Batch #200 and 201, against the Road and Bridge Fund, in the amount of \$18,978.61, to be paid.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Domrzalski, Penner, Schultz, O'Connell, Schroeder
NAYS: None...Motion #2 Carried.

MOTION #3: AUDIT FOR CEMETERY FUND

Motion by Trustee Domrzalski, seconded by Trustee Penner, to approve Batch #082410, against the Cemetery Fund, in the amount of \$5,262.38, to be paid.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Domrzalski, Penner, Schultz, O'Connell, Schroeder
NAYS: None...Motion #3 Carried.

MOTION #4: AUDIT FOR TOWN FUND

Motion by Trustee Domrzalski, seconded by Trustee Penner, to approve Batch #313, 314, 315 and 316, against the Town Fund, in the amount of \$219,844.04, to be paid.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Domrzalski, Penner, Schultz, O'Connell, Schroeder
NAYS: None...Motion #4 Carried.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

None.

OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Assessor: Assessor Dan Patlak reported:

- The Cook County Board of Review has mailed decisions for 2009 Wheeling residential appeals. The results are mixed with some taxpayers we assisted receiving reductions and others receiving no change.
- The Cook County Assessor has indicated it is their intention to mail 2010 reassessment notices to Wheeling Township property owners in November. The appeal window will be open for 30 days and we can anticipate large numbers of constituents. Homeowners will have the opportunity to file on-line. Maine Township property owners were mailed notices August 19, right on their target date. The median assessment reduction for Maine Township residential properties was 9%. The Maine Township Assessor's office indicated to our office that commercial property assessments for Maine had risen a median of 50%.
- The tax sale of past due 2008 property taxes will take place in mid September. Homeowners have until the first of September to pay these bills. Our office has received a number of calls regarding this issue. We are providing them general information on the tax sale and redemption process and referring them to both the Cook County Treasurer and Cook County Clerk. The tax sale is scheduled to begin on September 13. If property owners with past-due bills indicate to us a financial hardship we are giving them a Township brochure and referring them to the General Assistance Department of the Township.
- Sales recordation and permit transmittals are current.
- The power surge and resulting outage that occurred at the Township on Monday, August 19 caused damage to Mary Sebastian's computer. The IT consultant was able to repair the damage and it is back in use.

Highway Commissioner: Highway Commissioner Saewert reported:

- The Salk, Park, and Darryl Drive Resurfacing project is completed.

- The Graylynn Drive and Gregory Street Drainage Restoration and Road Reconstruction Project design is in the process of being reviewed by the Cook County Highway Department and the Village of Des Plaines.
- The Portwine Road and Forest View Road Drainage and Ditch Restoration and Road Reconstruction Project is scheduled to start at the end of this week.
- We have worked with the Cook County inspectors to review projects being done and permit violations in the unincorporated areas.
- We had a pre-construction meeting with Cook County Highway Department and contractor to discuss Portwine Road and Forest View Road Drainage Ditch Restoration and Road Reconstruction project.
- We attended MWRD Alternative Project Development Workshop 3A in Rosemont.
- There is one building addition permit pending and one demolition and new construction permit pending.
- The permit revenue receipt total was \$975.00.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mrs. Stellato reported:

- The 2011-12 agency funding applications are now available on our website and letters have been sent to those previously funded regarding the September 30, 2010 deadline for submission.
- School Supply distribution days were August 13 and 20. Donations were plentiful, with 230 children registered for this program.
- Meetings have been held with the in-house agencies regarding the installation of carpet and window treatments in their offices. Needless to say they are quite pleased to have the 20 year old carpet and drapes replaced. Linda and I are coordinating with carpet installers, blind installers and painters and hopefully the project will be completed within the next 30 days.

OLD BUSINESS

GWAYO

Mr. Philip Herman, Executive Director of Greater Wheeling Area Youth outreach, Inc, addressed the board, requesting that their monthly contributions be resumed on a monthly basis. GWAYO's funding was withheld due to their noncompliance with funding applications and contracts. In a letter dated May 12, 2010, GWAYO was encouraged to secure a CPA audited financials statement for the period ending August 31 2009, as soon as possible, and submit it to us.

On June 18, 2010, the audit for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2009 was received from the audit firm of Schneiderman Kohn & Winston, Ltd., including related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year ended.

Mr. Herman explained that the concerns the board had with the 2008 audit should not have been included by the former auditors. Comments with the new audit included the agency's mistakes made. GWAYO is no longer receiving federal funding and has gone back to serving poverty level young people. The resale shop is now closed because it didn't break even and it took away from the agency's primary mission.

The program has been simplified and the past debt has been addressed with the help of Money Management International, which got interest down to 0-6%.

Discussion followed. Trustee Domrzalski asked how the agency was paying off their credit card debt. Mr. Herman explained that they were allocating unrestricted dollars to pay off the debt. GWAYO is currently serving 52 high school students. Their main location is in Rolling Meadows but they are trying to obtain a new location, with possibilities including the former Teen Center in Arlington Heights and various churches. The agency currently has three 15-passenger vans to bus students from school to their facility. In nine years, 80-85% of their students complete college. All students are documented, U.S. citizens.

MOTION #5: APPROVAL OF GWAYO CONTRACT

Motion by Trustee Schultz, seconded by Trustee Domrzalski, to go into a contract with GWAYO, Inc, and disburse the payments from March to July 1, 2010.

Discussion followed. Trustee Domrzalski reminded Mr. Herman that future funding may not be available because of the agency's large debt. Mr. Herman explained how they are paying their debt and daily expenses.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Domrzalski, Schultz, Penner, O'Connell, Schroeder
NAYS: None...Motion #5 Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

LEVY CALENDAR APPROVAL

The Board reviewed the proposed 2010 levy calendar as follows:

September 30, 2010		Deadline for Agency Funding Applications
October 26, 2010	6:00 PM 8:00PM	Agency Funding Hearings – Mental Health Regular Board Meeting – Levy Discussions
November 23, 2010	8:00PM	Regular Board Meeting – Levy Discussions Proposed Levy Approval
December 1 – 7, 2010		Publish Notice of Truth in Taxation Hearings

December 14, 2010 8:00PM Truth in Taxation Hearings
Regular board Meeting to Adopt 2010 Levies

December 28, 2010 Last day to file levies with Cook County Clerk

Budget Discussion start with the January 25, 2011 Meeting

MOTION #6: 2010 LEVY CALENDAR

Motion by, seconded by Supervisor Schroeder, seconded by Trustee Schultz, to accept the levy calendar from 2010, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Schroeder, Schultz, Penner, Domrzalski, O'Connell
NAYS: None...Motion #6 Carried.

MOTION #7: ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Schultz, seconded by Trustee Penner, to adjourn.

VOICE CALL VOTE: All Ayes...Motion #7 Carried.

The regular meeting for Tuesday, August 24, 2010, was adjourned at 8:27 p.m. The next scheduled board meeting is set for Tuesday, September 28, 2010, at 8:00 p.m.

Paula L. Ulreich
Wheeling Township Clerk