

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Supervisor and Board of Trustees of Wheeling Township, for April 14, 2009 was held in the Community Room, of the Township of Wheeling, 1616 North Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois. Supervisor Michael Schroeder called the meeting to order at 700 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 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.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Citizens for Forest River Subdivision, Unincorporated Mt. Prospect, addressed the board regarding several land and road issues facing their community.

Joan Hunning, Forest River Subdivision Vice President, described abandoned homes filled with rodents and/or burn issues, standing water, streets in need of repair and sink holes. She feels the Township needs to focus on road repair and passed out pictures showing some of the problems.

Dorothy Brusen expressed concern about the burned down homes and the trash being dumped in the subdivision.

Jerry Busse, Forest River Subdivision President, feels the issues presented is the township's fiscal responsibility. Highway Commissioner Saewert has begun to improve things but it's taking too long, such as the ditch issue which is going nowhere when it gets to the end of the road. The streets are falling apart faster than they can be fixed. Graylynn is in a horrible state and the water problem needs to be fixed and the roads need to be paved. Gregory Street was part of Des Plaines but is now part of Wheeling Township. It is completely broken up and has constant traffic. In 1980 John Ayres paved all the roads but that's been 25-30 years. Now it needs basic paving. The Township needs to maintain the lot which was purchased to help alleviate the flooding problem in the subdivision. It is the responsibility of the Township to help.

John Tricelli stated that Forest River is a reflection of Wheeling Township.

Supervisor Schroeder asked Attorney Rogers to address some of issues presented. She explained to the Forest River residents exactly what jurisdiction the Township has in their subdivision. The Township has jurisdiction on the roads but not the lots. For authority to do demolition work on burned out and/or abandoned homes falls within the purview of Cook County. For that type of information, the Cook County Department of Building and Zoning should be notified. In other words, drainage and roads are Wheeling Township's responsibility and land is the responsibility of Cook County.

OLD BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION #1: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Supervisor Schroeder, seconded by Trustee Domrzalski, to adjourn into Executive Session, for the purpose of discussion of appointments to the Prospect Heights Rural Fire District.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes :Schroeder, Domrzalski, O'Connell, Penner, O'Connell
Nays: None...Motion #1 Carried.

The Supervisor and Board of Trustees adjourned into Executive Session at 7:23 p.m. and returned to the Special Meeting at 7:35 p.m.

MOTION #2: APPOINTMENT OF PROSPECT HEIGHTS TRUSTEE

Motion by Trustee Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Schroeder, to appoint Mr. Richard Sullivan as trustee to the Prospect Heights Rural Fire Protection District for a three year term, effective May 1, 2009.

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

MOTION #3: APPOINTMENT OF PROSPECT HEIGHTS FIRE TRUSTEE

Motion by Trustee Domrzalski, seconded by Supervisor Schroeder, to appoint Mr. Shawn Clisham as trustee to the Prospect Heights Fire Protection District for a three-year term, effective May 1, 2009.

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

MOTION #4: APPOINTMENT OF PROSPECT HEIGHTS FIRE TRUSTEE

Motion by Trustee Domrzalski, seconded by Supervisor Schroeder, to reappoint Mr. James Cagney, as trustee to the Prospect Heights Fire Protection District for a three-year term, effective May 1, 2009.

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

2009-10 TENTATIVE BUDGET DISCUSSION

The Board again reviewed the tentative Town Fund for FY2009-10. Mrs. Stellato explained that the Town Fund has two changes, Line 10 – IMRF was reduced by \$10,000 and Line 14 – Building and Grounds Maintenance was increased \$10,000. The increase is necessary for new landscaping and apron repair. The tentative budgets for the Town, Clerk, Assessor, Senior, Cemetery and Social Services remained the same as discussed at prior meetings.

MOTION #5: APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE BUDGET – TOWN

Motion by Supervisor Schroeder, seconded by Trustee Penner, to accept the tentative Town Fund budget for FY2009-10, in the amount of \$2,660,715.

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

TENTATIVE GENERAL ASSISTANCE BUDGET FOR FY2009-10

The tentative General Assistance budget includes an increase in Line 1 – Salaries, Line 27 – Burial Expenses, Line 28 – Room and Board, and Line 29 Institutional Care. The last three line items cover those General Assistance clients who are in need of those specific services. The rest of the line items remain the same as discussed at previous meetings.

MOTION #6: APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE BUDGET – GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Motion by Trustee O'Connell, seconded by Trustee Penner, to accept the tentative General Assistance budget for FY2009-10, in the amount of \$718,100.

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

DISCUSSION OF TENTATIVE ROAD DISTRICT BUDGET FOR FY2009-10

Highway Commissioner Saewert presented the FY2009-10 tentative Highway Department budget. When asked by Trustee Domrzalski if the money in Line 32 would be a one time or annual contribution to Transportation, Commissioner Saewert replied that would be discussed with the Supervisor. Line 25 – Contractual Work includes the following projects:

- Resurfacing Woodland Drive
- Allowing the culvert to refuse water on Graylynn
- Drainage work to begin on Graylynn
- Work to be completed on Hill Street
- Most of the money is earmarked for work in Mt. Prospect
- \$60,000 is for other projects

There is also a maintenance agreement in place with Des Plaines to work on drainage and complete some street repairs. Trustee O'Connell asked if the work done by the engineer Art Olson has been proper. Commissioner Saewert replied yes but some needs to be adjusted. Trustee Schultz asked is the township property grass is being cut. Commissioner Saewert answered, yes, but field adjustments need to be made.

NEW BUSINESS

HEALTH INSURANCE PROPOSAL

Administration Director Stellato explained the several health care plans provided by United Health Care. She recommended Option 1, the traditional plan with a deductible of \$250 in network and \$500 out of network, which reflects a 5.7% changes in premium, to \$8,515.98 per person, per year. This option will cost of little more out of pocket premium portion for each employee but will provide coverage at the current level. The board accepted the recommendation.

MOTION #7: HEALTH CARE INSURANCE

Motion by Supervisor Schroeder, seconded by Trustee Penner, to accept the United Health Care proposal for Option 1, as presented, in the amount of \$8,515.98, per person, per year.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Schroeder, Penner, Schultz, O'Connell, Domrzalski
NAYS: None...Motion #7 Carried.

MOTION #8: ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Supervisor Schroeder, seconded by Trustee Penner, to adjourn.

VOICE CALL VOTE: All Ayes...Motion #8 Carried.

The special meeting for Tuesday, April 14, 2009, was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Paula L. Ulreich

Wheeling Township Clerk