

SUPERVISORS MEETING

March 2, 2011
O'Fallon Township
801 E. State St.
O'Fallon, IL 62269

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Supervisor Gary Ahle, Town Clerk David M. Witter, Trustees: Glenn Loyet, James "Jim" Hursey, Kenneth Joseph and Gary Hursey and Deputy Town Clerk/Recorder Debbie Allsup.

Others present: Gary Fohne and Jeff Bevirt

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Glenn Loyet to approve the minutes as presented and seconded by Trustee Jim Hursey. Motion Carried.

SENIOR REPORT

Trustee Glenn Loyet stated the last Senior Committee meeting was on February 23rd, 2011. The previous dinner on February 10th, 2011 was well attended with good feedback. The next Senior Committee dinner will be on March 10th, 2011.

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YOUTH REPORT

Trustee Kenneth Joseph reported the Youth Committee has prepared a tentative calendar of events for the upcoming fiscal year. It is as follows:

YMCA Party	March 13, 2011
Fishing Derby	June 4, 2011
Pool Party (at Park)	July 24, 2011
Cardinal Baseball Game	September 30, 2011
Halloween Party	October 24, 2011
Caroling	December 21, 2011

The Youth Committee also discussed the following during their meeting on February 28th, 2011:

- Tentative budget for the Fiscal Year beginning April 1, 2011 and ending March 31, 2012
- The possibility of participating in a project for Earth Day to be held on Friday, April 22nd, 2011

➤ The Township's responsibility of the After Prom Party

Trustee Joseph stated the Youth Committee received a request from the O'Fallon Township High School for a donation to support their Blizzard program. The Committee approved their request as budgeted in the amount of \$850. A motion was made by Trustee Kenneth Joseph to approve the donation as recommended by the Youth Committee in the amount of \$850 to the OTHS Blizzard and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Roll Call: Loyet – aye; J. Hursey – aye; G. Ahle – aye; K. Joseph – aye; G. Hursey - aye. Motion carried. A discussion followed regarding the use of the funding by Blizzard.

The Committee also approved a request made by the OTHS Girls Softball Team in the amount of \$75. A motion was made by Trustee Kenneth Joseph to approve the donation as recommended by the Youth Committee in the amount of \$75 to the OTHS Girls Softball Team and seconded by Trustee Jim Hursey. Roll Call: Loyet – aye; J. Hursey – aye; G. Ahle – aye; K. Joseph – aye; G. Hursey - aye. Motion carried. A discussion followed regarding the funding of all OTHS programs and events.

PLANNING REPORT

No Report.

AFTER PROM REPORT

Trustee Jim Hursey reported the cost of St. Clair Bowl will remain the same charge of \$2,175. He emailed a Word document promoting the After Prom Party to Pam Funk at the City of O'Fallon to be run on Channel 10. Letters were additionally emailed to Mayor Gary Graham, Walter Denton and Dean Rich requesting financial support for the After Prom Party.

For entertainment Trustee Jim Hursey stated he was looking into having a person who does Caricature drawings as suggested by the office. The cost would be \$100 per hour. This will be considered if funding is available. He has confirmed his nephews will participate with the event providing video karaoke to be posted on the website and operating a gaming system that the After Prom will purchase for approximately \$500 then raffle off at the conclusion of the event. Trustee Gary Hursey stated he opened a Facebook page for the After Prom to promote and possibly recruit volunteers for the event. As reported at the previous meeting, Town Clerk Dave Witter asked if Jim had received a response from Jody at OTHS. He stated he had not.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Glenn Loyet stated he had attended the St. Clair County Officials meeting on Thursday, February 17th, 2011 which had a slim turnout.

Trustee Gary Hursey stated he had attended the Economic Development Committee meeting on Thursday, February 17th, 2011 along with Highway Commissioner Bill Peach. Hursey was able to inform those in attendance of the functions of the Township. Most were unaware of the purpose of Township government.

Trustee Glenn Loyet stated he had received a letter from the Township Officials of Illinois (TOI) regarding sponsorship of a bill to eliminate all Township Highway Commissioners and Road Districts within the State of Illinois that maintain less than 100 miles of roads. A discussion followed.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Town Clerk Dave Witter stated he has received notification from the St. Clair County Board of Review on the possibility of losing over \$100,000 in assessed value. Petitions to appeal their assessed value have been submitted by the following:

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date of Hearing</u>
Green Mount Road LLC	Green Mount Prof. Park	March 28, 2011
Pierce Lane LLC	Building 2	March 28, 2011
Green Mount Crossing LLC	Dierbergs Green Mount Cross	March 29, 2011
CVS Corp	Green Mount Market	March 29, 2011

Town Clerk Witter informed the Board of a flyer he had received regarding a free electronics & appliance recycling event being sponsored by Mascoutah Township and WITS. It is scheduled for Saturday, March 19th, 2011 at the Leu Civic Center in Mascoutah. He suggested the Township look into sponsoring a similar event. Trustee Gary Hursey stated the City of O’Fallon will have a recycling day on March 13th, 2011. Following a discussion the Board decided they would look into the possibility of sponsoring such an event in September.

Town Clerk Witter report the website has been visited a total of 566 (five hundred sixty-six) times and over 2,000 (two thousand) pages have been viewed to date.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Supervisor Gary Ahle reported the O’Fallon-Shiloh Chamber of Commerce and the O’Fallon Progress will co-host a series of Candidate Forums in support of the upcoming April elections. Their schedule is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thursday, March 3, 2011	6:30 p.m.	City Council Chambers
Tuesday, March 8, 2011	6:30 p.m.	Shiloh Senior Center
Thursday, March 10, 2011	6:30 p.m.	City Council Chambers

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Supervisor Ahle reminded the Board of the Town Fund and General Assistance Fund Budget and Appropriation hearing on Wednesday, March 16, 2011 at 6:45 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Ahle stated he received a letter from the Southwestern Illinois Metropolitan and Regional Planning Commission (SIMAPC) requesting contributions from the Township. A brief discussion followed regarding previous requests from SIMAPC. Trustee Glenn Loyet made a motion to table the request and seconded by Supervisor Gary Ahle. Motion Carried.

A hall rental application was submitted by Laura Hamilton to use our facility for the purpose of Bible studies as follows:

Date of Rental	Time
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Sunday, March 6, 2011	3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 13, 2011	3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 20, 2011	3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 27, 2011	3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Trustee Glenn Loyet made a motion to approve the above mentioned hall rental request (contingent upon availability of a monitor) and seconded by Trustee Kenneth Joseph. Roll Call: Loyet – aye; J. Hursey – aye; G. Ahle – aye; K. Joseph – aye; G. Hursey - aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS BILLS

Town Fund	\$ 18,678.50
General Assistance Fund	1,610.83

Trustee Glenn Loyet made a motion to authorize the bills of the Supervisor and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Roll Call: Loyet – aye; J. Hursey – aye; G. Ahle – aye; K. Joseph – aye; G. Hursey - aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Youth Committee Chairman Jeff Bevirt informed the Board that the Youth Committee is considering a community service project for Earth Day (April 22, 2011). He is seeking ideas from the Township Board on a project that would directly impact the Township since they sponsor their programs. Bevirt suggested the possibility of planting some trees, shrubs or flowers. A discussion followed regarding the care and maintenance of such plantings. Trustee Glenn Loyet questioned Bevirt on the funding of the project. He stated the Youth Committee discussed appropriating approximately \$500. Loyet also expressed concern about government as a whole wanting to fund projects while lowering taxes. Supervisor Gary Ahle stated the Legion Baseball line item of \$750 will be removed from the 2011-2012 Youth Committee budget which could be used to fund such a project. Trustee Gary Hursey agreed stating if the funds are not used it would just sit there without benefiting the taxpayers in any way. A discussion followed regarding budgets and levies. Trustee Gary Hursey suggested using the Donations-Unspecified line item this year to see how the Earth Day project works out before adding a specific line item for it. Bevirt agreed. Trustee Glenn Loyet asked Bevirt what he intended to do as an Earth Day project. Bevirt responded that he was there to ask the Board if they had any suggestions for a project. Supervisor Ahle stated some landscaping could be added around the Township Building. A motion was made by Trustee Gary Hursey to approve \$500 for a Youth Committee Earth Day project and seconded by Trustee Jim Hursey. Roll Call: Loyet – aye; J. Hursey – aye; G. Ahle – aye; K. Joseph – aye; G. Hursey - aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Gary Hursey stated at the Chamber Economic Development meeting County Board Member John West discussed the possibility of the Township assessing properties within O'Fallon Township instead of the County who currently performs the duties of assessing. A discussion followed regarding funding and qualifications required for assessing.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Glenn Loyet to adjourn the meeting of the Supervisor and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

David M. Witter
Town Clerk