

SUPERVISORS MEETING

September 7, 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, Jeff Bevirt, Kenneth Joseph and Gary Hursey and Deputy Town Clerk/Recorder Debbie Allsup.

Others present: Gary Fohne and Douglas Scott

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Kenneth Joseph to approve the minutes of the previous Supervisor's Meeting as presented and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Motion Carried.

SENIOR REPORT

Trustee Glenn Loyet stated the last Senior Committee meeting took place on Wednesday, August 24th, 2011. The next Senior Committee Dinner will be on Thursday, September 15th, 2011.

The next Senior Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, September 28th, 2011.

YOUTH REPORT

Trustee Kenneth Joseph reported the next Youth Committee event will be the "Take a Senior to the Baseball Game" on September 25th, 2011.

Trustee Kenneth Joseph made a motion to approve up to \$1,200 for the Youth Committee Halloween Party on Monday, October 24th, 2011 and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Roll Call: Loyet – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; K. Joseph – aye; G. Hursey – aye. Motion carried. Joseph added that the Halloween Party continues to be very well attended.

The next Youth Committee meeting will be on Monday, September 19th, 2011.

PLANNING REPORT

No report.

AFTER PROM REPORT

No report.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Glenn Loyet stated he had attended the TOI (Township Officials of Illinois) Conference on Thursday, August 25th, 2011 along with Trustee Jeff Bevirt, Town Clerk Dave Witter and Highway Commissioner Bill Peach. A discussion followed regarding the topics of the conference.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Town Clerk Dave Witter stated by talking with other Township Clerks he believes our Township is ahead of most the other Townships within the State. Witter also stated he had read the report written by Wendell Cox Consultancy regarding Township Government and had ordered the 10 (ten) free copies of the Report Summary brochures from TOI (Township Officials of Illinois). Additional copies can be purchased. The brochures could be distributed to anyone questioning the purpose of Township Government. A brief discussion followed.

Additionally, Town Clerk Witter reported he has received written notification from the State of Illinois that the Rotary Wheels Committee was awarded a new transportation van. Unfortunately the State has not ordered the vehicles since they have not found a vendor to produce them. It is expected to take a year or so to obtain the vehicle. Witter also reported that Debbie Allsup has completed the FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) and OMA (Open Meetings Act) certification training.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Supervisor Gary Ahle reported he had received a letter from Frank Heiligenstein of the St. Clair County Judiciary Committee regarding precincts with under 800 (eight hundred) registered voters to possibly be absorbed by other precincts in an attempt to reduce the costs associated with each election. This could effect precincts 4 (four) and 18 (eighteen) within O'Fallon Township. Ahle stated he had spoke with several residents in precinct 4 (four) who expressed concern over having to travel the distance to precinct 18 (eighteen) in order to vote. He has relayed these concerns to County Board Member John West and St. Clair County Clerk Bob Delaney. A discussion followed.

Supervisor Ahle reported the IEPA (Illinois Environmental Protection Agency) will be sponsoring a used tire collection on Thursday, September 15th, 2011 and Friday, September 16th, 2011 in Dupo, Illinois. This collection is strictly for Governmental agencies only.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Supervisor Gary Ahle reported he had received a letter from Congressman Jerry Costello stating the U.S. Postal Officials have agreed to allow the placement of mailboxes on both sides of O'Fallon Troy Road. Trustee Kenneth Joseph added that earlier in the day he had attended the ribbon cutting on O'Fallon Troy Road along with Highway Commissioner Peach. A discussion followed.

As a follow-up to other issues mentioned at a previous meeting, Supervisor Ahle stated all tile floors within the Township building have been stripped and waxed. The weeds and debris on top of the building were removed along with the tree which was blocking the sign.

NEW BUSINESS

Information was received announcing the “Illinois Hardest Hit Program” to offer temporary mortgage payment assistance to qualified individuals struggling with income loss due to unemployment or underemployment. Anyone requesting further information can contact the office or get step by step instructions online at www.illinoishardesthit.org .

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS BILLS

Town Fund	\$ 36,789.47
General Assistance Fund	6,177.29

Trustee Gary Hursey inquired about the Senior Committee using a local catering business instead of using one outside the Township boundaries. The Senior Committee does not specifically use any one catering business instead they alternate based on previous experiences and pricing. A discussion followed.

Trustee Gary Hursey made a motion to authorize the bills of the Supervisor be paid accordingly and seconded by Trustee Jeff Bevirt. Roll Call: Loyet – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; K. Joseph – aye; G. Hursey – aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Trustee Kenneth Joseph stated Shiloh Valley Township had the misfortune of someone cutting the power lines and ripping the cable from the ground going to the building. It is believed they were looking for copper. Joseph also stated the County’s next road improvement project will begin Friday, September 9th, 2011. They will be adding curbing and guttering on Main Street from Highway 50 into Shiloh. A brief discussion followed.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

David M. Witter
Town Clerk