



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

August 5, 2015
O'Fallon Township
801 E. State St.
O'Fallon, IL 62269

CALL TO ORDER at 7:01 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Supervisor Gary Ahle, Highway Commissioner Mark Downs, Town Clerk David Witter, Trustees Gary Hursey, Jeff Bevirt, Kenneth Joseph and Doug Scott; Deputy Town Clerk/Recorder Debbie Allsup and Recorder Sheri Heil

Township Attorney Cory Easton arrived at 7:03 P.M.

Others present: Gary Fohne and Nick Miller

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Trustee Jeff Bevirt to approve the minutes of the July 1, 2015 meeting as written and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Motion Carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Received a call from a reporter regarding state budget cuts and the effects on Senior Nutrition Centers. Deputy Clerk Debbie Allsup spoke with the reporter and explained that the Nutrition Center has not been at the Township for more than 4 or 5 years. She also explained the Township hosts many other senior events. Another reason Ahle said, is the assisted living centers have taken a lot away from these programs too.

County Board Chairman Mark Kern and other officials will make an announcement on Tuesday August 11th, 2015 at 10:30 A.M. at the MidAmerica Airport in Mascoutah (passenger terminal).

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS BILLS

Town Fund	\$	33,349.12
General Assistance Fund	\$	4,063.74



Trustee Doug Scott made a motion to authorize the Supervisor's bills to be paid accordingly and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Highway Commissioner Mark Downs reported on the Road District "RaDAR" for the following weeks of June 29, through July 31, 2015:

(See attachment A)

Downs said the Road District performed seal coating operations on Seven Hills Estates Subdivision for the City of O'Fallon.

Assisted Caseyville Township with seal coating on some of their roads. In the process of assisting Lebanon Township with their roads as well.

APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S BILLS

Permanent Road Fund	\$	7,107.76
Road & Bridge Fund	\$	22,116.18

Trustee Kenny Joseph made a motion to authorize the Highway Commissioner's bills to be paid accordingly as presented and seconded by Trustee Jeff Bevirt. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Witter reported on the township website with 562 visits in July: 80.6% were new visitors and 19.4% were returning visitors. 86% from United States; 6.2% from Brazil; locally: O'Fallon – 28.11%, Belleville and St. Louis both have 8.72% and Chicago has 8.19%

Witter received a proposed annexation from the City of O'Fallon for approximately 101.61 acres off of Bethel School Rd. Gorazd Construction is developing a subdivision.

Witter said a FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) request by Smartprocur, Inc. has been withdrawn. The One-Write System currently being used cannot be transmitted electronically the information requested. Witter added that Deputy Clerk Allsup put 18 hours into the research and responses on this one request. A discussion followed.

TRUSTEES REPORT

No Report.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

SENIOR REPORT

Trustee Doug Scott reported the Senior Committee had their last dinner on Thursday July 16th at 5:30 P.M. 112 tickets were sold and 100 were in attendance.

The Senior Committee would like to increase the dinner ticket prices from \$2.00 to \$3.00. The reason being the cost for quality entertainment has gone up. A discussion followed. The board collectively said it is up to the Committee if they want to raise the price.

The next Committee dinner will be on Thursday August 20th at 5:30 P.M.

YOUTH REPORT

Trustee Kenny Joseph reported the next Committee meeting will be on Monday August 17th at 7:30 P.M.

The next event will be the Senior/Youth Cardinal Baseball game on September 25th with all the tickets being spoken for.

PLANNING REPORT

Trustee Gary Hursey had nothing to report on for Planning. He wanted to thank Nick Miller for reporting on the meetings and posting activities by the Township in his O'Fallon Weekly Newspaper.

AFTER PROM REPORT

No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Supervisor Ahle reported Helitech has completed the necessary repairs on 2 sidewalks. Trustee Doug Scott suggested putting some filler in the gap on the front entrance walk. Ahle asked Downs if they are able to do this type of repair. Downs said he is able to get the materials for the repairs and have it completed before the next meeting. A brief discussion followed.

Painting on the trim work in the building has been halted temporarily. With the warmer temperatures, the doors cannot be opened for ventilation.

Township Officials of Illinois 2015 Educational Conference will be on Friday, August 14, 2015 at the Hilton Garden Inn/Regency Conference Center in O'Fallon from 8:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

NEW BUSINESS

St. Clair County Township Officials quarterly meeting on Thursday, August 20, 2015 at the Caseyville Township Building beginning at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Ahle said it was O'Fallon Township's turn to host the meeting, but the hall is already being used for the Senior Committee Dinner. Caseyville Township has agreed to host it. Trustee Joseph stated he would like to see us host the meeting in the future so we can show off our nice facility. A brief discussion followed.

Donation request received from the Rotary Club of O'Fallon regarding their Annual Fundraising Auction. Ahle said the Township has made \$75 donation in 2011 and 2013.

Trustee Kenny Joseph made a motion to authorize a \$75 donation to the Rotary Club of O'Fallon for their fundraising auction as presented and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

Donation request received from the O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber of Commerce regarding the Annual Golf Tournament. Donations in the amount of \$150 have been given in the past.

Trustee Gary Hursey made a motion to authorize a \$150 donation to the O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber Of Commerce Annual Golf Tournament as presented and seconded by Trustee Doug Scott. Roll Call: Hursey – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye; Scott – aye. Motion Carried.

O'Fallon Community Park will host the Convoy of Hope on Saturday August 15, 2015 beginning at 10:00 A.M. A discussion followed. An e-mail was received from Jane Jung (formerly Appleton) requesting certain items: forklift driver, ice chests or horse troughs to cool donated bottle water, portable generators and ice.

Clerk Witter questioned why this event isn't being held at the new larger sports park. Trustee Bevirt suggested the lack of shade at the new park is probably a factor, and Trustee Scott mentioned sporting events being held there. More discussion followed.

PUBLIC INPUT (COMMENTS)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Kenny Joseph to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Trustees and seconded by Trustee Gary Hursey. Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

David M. Witter
Town Clerk