

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

November 7, 2012
O'Fallon Township
801 E. State St.
O'Fallon, IL 62269

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Supervisor Gary Ahle, Town Clerk David M. Witter, Highway Commissioner William (Bill) Peach, Trustees: Glenn Loyet, Jeff Bevirt and Kenneth Joseph; Attorney Cory Easton and General Assistance Administrator/Recorder Sheri Heil.

Others present: Douglas Scott, Gary Fohne, Mel Hutnick, Martin Ercoline, Sr. and Danny Trueblood.

A motion was made by Supervisor Gary Ahle to excuse Trustee Gary Hursey and seconded by Trustee Glenn Loyet. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17th MEETING

A motion was made by Trustee Glenn Loyet to approve the minutes of the October 17th meeting as presented and seconded by Trustee Jeff Bevirt. Motion Carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

St. Clair County Township Officials Association meeting on Thursday November 15th beginning at 7:00 P.M. at Bel-Air Bowl located at 200 South Belt West in Belleville, IL.

APPROVAL OF SUPERVISORS BILLS

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| Town Fund | \$ 21,957.84 |
| General Assistance Fund | \$ 1,914.87 |

Trustee Glenn Loyet made a motion to authorize the payment of the Supervisor's bills be paid accordingly and seconded by Trustee Kenneth Joseph. Roll Call: Loyet – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; Joseph – aye. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Highway Commissioner Peach stated the Road District had done the following during the period of October 18th thru November 7th.

- ☆ Placed millings on shoulders, around mailboxes and end of driveways
- ☆ Cut brush on Bethel and Bowler Roads
- ☆ Used the “big arm” to cut burning bushes and cleaned up on County Line Road
- ☆ Finished up shoulders on Old Lebanon Road after farmers removed crops in fields
- ☆ Picked up trash
- ☆ Replaced road sign in Sunny Hills
- ☆ Picked up voting supplies in Belleville and delivered to 17 polling precincts for Tuesday election
- ☆ Returned all voting supplies to Belleville storage on Wednesday
- ☆ Maintenance work on trucks in preparation for snow removal
- ☆ Cleaned crust off salt in storage dome to prevent chunks getting into spreaders
- ☆ Received dues notice for drug and alcohol testing
- ☆ Received notice for spraying license due in February 2013

Trustee Kenny Joseph asked Commissioner Peach if the dues for the spraying license are for the whole road district. Peach said it is only for one person to be licensed. Road district employee Gerard Helldoerfer is the one who usually gets the licensing.

APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER’S BILLS

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| Permanent Road Fund | \$ | 3,823.65 |
| Road & Bridge Fund | \$ | 174,953.70 |

Highway Commissioner Bill Peach asked if anybody has any questions about the Road District bills otherwise, he will dispense with reading of the bills.

A motion was made by Trustee Jeff Bevirt to authorize the payment of the Highway Commissioner’s bills as presented and seconded by Trustee Kenneth Joseph. Roll Call: Loyet - abstain; J. Bevirt - aye; Ahle - aye; K. Joseph - aye. Motion carried.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Clerk David Witter reported on the township website. There were 375 visits with 311 were unique visitors. Witter stated this is the largest month the website has had. He added the increase could have been due to the early voting held at the Township building.

Witter said he stopped at the township office on October 26th and 27th when the early voting was held. Both days there was a line out the door. Witter passed around photos he had taken of the crowd. A brief discussion followed.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Glenn Loyet reminded the board of the Township Officials of Illinois (TOI) conference this weekend. Loyet stated he possibly would not go if he did not have prior obligations to the TOI board and Trustee division. Loyet will be going and his conference

fees are covered by TOI. Loyet asked who else will be attending. Supervisor Ahle answered that Bill Peach, Jeff Bevirt and Dave Witter are also attending.

Trustee Kenneth Joseph stated that Borchers Road is still not completed. He asked Commissioner Peach if there are any plans to finish with the seeding and strawing. Peach said he spoke with the contractor and assured Peach that they will complete the job but did not say when. Trustee Loyet asked how much is owed to the contractor for this. Ahle said the unpaid balance of \$12,296.64 will be paid once the finishing work is completed (straw, seeding, etc.).

SENIOR REPORT

Trustee Glenn Loyet reported the seniors had their last meeting on Wednesday October 24th at 7:00 P.M. The senior dinner was on Thursday October 25th. Loyet said the numbers were down for that dinner with approximately 100 seniors in attendance.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday November 21st and the next dinner will be on Thursday December 6th.

YOUTH REPORT

Trustee Kenneth Joseph reported the Y.C. Halloween Party on October 22nd was a tremendous success. Joseph said that Trustee Jeff Bevirt once again outdid himself with getting everything organized and set up. Attendance was very good with a count of approximately 120 children. Joseph said he believed the children were more engaged with the games and activities which kept the rowdiness down. Trustee Jeff Bevirt commended Y.C. Coordinator Susan Parkinson for all her hard work before the party and especially with taking care of the clean up afterwards.

The next meeting will be on Monday November 19th at 7:30 P.M. Trustee Bevirt asked the board if they know of any people (shut-ins) that the Y.C. can add to their list to visit in December when they go Christmas caroling, please let him know. A brief discussion followed.

PLANNING REPORT

No report.

AFTER PROM REPORT

No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Freedom of Information Act request filed by Attorney Melroy Hutnick continued from previous meeting on October 17th. Ahle asked Hutnick if he received the notification that the requested information was ready. Hutnick said the only thing he have is the initial response from the Clerk. Ahle said there is a packet here at the office for him. Mr. Hutnick was not aware of another packet. Town Clerk Witter said a notification was mailed to Mr. Hutnick's

office after completion of his most recent information request. Mr. Hutnick said he will be happy to take it with him after the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Ahle presented a Hall Rental Request submitted by Howard Hamilton for the purpose of a bible study group on Sundays November 11th, 18th and 25th beginning at 3:30 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. A brief discussion followed.

Trustee Glenn Loyet made a motion to approve the hall rental request and seconded by Trustee Kenneth Joseph. Roll Call: Loyet – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; K. Joseph – aye. Motion carried.

Another Hall Rental Request submitted by Charity Kanaskie of Skyline Church for the purpose of a children’s church function on Saturday, November 17th beginning at 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. A brief discussion followed.

Supervisor Gary Ahle made a motion to approve the hall rental request and seconded by Trustee Jeff Bevirt. Roll Call: Loyet – aye; Bevirt – aye; Ahle – aye; K. Joseph – aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Ahle wanted to thank the road district employees for their help in delivering the voting supplies. Ahle said they finished returning everything earlier today and all went smooth.

Lastly, Ahle wanted to inform the board Jack White who drives the Rotary van has been in the hospital this week. He is home now and everything looks good. He will return to work on Tuesday November 12th.

PUBLIC INPUT

Attendee Marin Ercoline Sr. asked how the Youth Committee is advertised. Trustee Bevirt responded the announcement was displayed on the Bank of O’Fallon marquee, fliers are distributed to all the schools and an ad is also in the O’Fallon Progress. Ercoline said he talked to the new neighbors who have young children and asked if they knew of the party. They told Mr. Ercoline the children received a flier at school and were planning on attending. Bevirt said almost all the Y.C. events are advertised pretty much the same way.

Mr. Ercoline asked the board if they ever thought of putting out a monthly newsletter to the township residents. Bevirt said all events are posted on the website. Mr. Ercoline said he does not have a computer or internet access. He said he has spoken with people who are unaware of functions and events going on at the township.

Mr. Ercoline questioned the completion of Borchers’ Road with the seed and strawing. He believes it is pretty late to do anything now. Trustee Joseph said he has been following this situation since September to find out when the job will be completed. Ercoline said if it is going to cost \$12,000 to have the contractor finish, how much it would cost to just have the road district get the supplies and finish the job themselves. Joseph said he went down the road earlier today, and he thinks some of the terrain is going to need to be reworked. A brief

discussion followed. Joseph summed by saying we don't have the proper equipment and completion may have to wait till spring.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Glenn Loyet to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Trustees seconded by Trustee Kenneth Joseph. Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

David M. Witter
Town Clerk