

## WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

State of Illinois  
Lake County  
Town of West Deerfield

DATE: January 20, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of West Deerfield Township was called to order by Supervisor Alyson Feiger at 7:00 p.m. This meeting was held at the West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield, Illinois.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Feiger. Roll call was taken by Clerk Kristen Scott. Present were Trustees Ron Levitsky and Ron Schwartz; Supervisor Feiger; and Clerk Scott. Also present was Township Assessor Tom Healy. Trustee Marc Brown arrived at 7:03 p.m.

### MINUTES

Trustee Levitsky motioned to approve the December 16, 2014 minutes. Supervisor Feiger seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a voice vote was taken. All those present being in favor, the minutes were approved.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### OLD BUSINESS

None.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### **A. For discussion and potential action: Assessor's Budget Fiscal Year 2015-2016**

Township Assessor Tom Healy presented his proposed budget for 2015-2016 to the Board, calling their attention to several changes from last year's figures. Discussion followed. Assessor Healy concluded by noting that 2015 is a general reassessment period, an especially busy time in the Assessor's office.

#### **B. For Discussion and Potential Action: Tentative Township Budget and Appropriation Ordinance Fiscal Year 2015-2016**

Supervisor Feiger reviewed changes she proposes to the budget for the upcoming year. Discussion followed. The Board agreed to hold a special meeting devoted exclusively to the 2015-16 budget; Supervisor Feiger will email possible dates to Board members.

### SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Feiger apprised the Board of matters of interest, including 1) the "Fridays With Friends" event the Township will sponsor at Deerfield's Turner Senior Center on January 23; 2) Township sponsorship of the "Shattered Dreams" program, presented by National Alliance on Mental Illness, at the Patty Turner Center on March 9; 3) her discussion with police chiefs within West Deerfield Township regarding possible Township support of Crisis Intervention Training

of their officers, and the positive response she received; she will bring a full proposal to the February Board meeting for the Trustees' review; 4) the College of Lake County "Life Changing Scholarship" program, which Jan Zobus will explain in greater detail when she attends an upcoming Board meeting; and 5) a "Disabilities Awareness Training Seminar" presented by JJ's List, which Supervisor Feiger will discuss further at a future meeting.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD**

Trustee Levitsky asked when the Community Service Grant committee would meet; Supervisor Feiger replied that they would meet in February and present their recommendations at the February Board meeting. Trustee Levitsky also called the Board's attention to an article from the Jan. 17 issue of *North Shore Weekend* regarding a non-profit organization, Community Partners for Affordable Housing, which has about 70 housing units in Highland Park, Evanston, and Lake Forest. Trustee Levitsky suggested that the Township look into the organization to determine if it should be given a grant in the future; neighboring Moraine Township also contributes to the organization. Trustee Brown noted that it may be prudent for the Township to maintain two internet service sources in the event of an outage of one of them.

### **AUDIT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS**

After brief discussion, Trustee Brown motioned to approve the bills as presented, with the exception of payments to Ron Schwartz in the amount of \$200.00 and \$5.00. Trustee Schwartz seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, roll call was taken: Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Schwartz (aye), Trustee Brown (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the motion was approved.

Trustee Levitsky then motioned to approve payment of \$200.00 for Affordable Care Act training, and \$5.00 for licensing certificates, to Ron Schwartz. Trustee Brown seconded the motion. There being no discussion, roll call was taken: Trustee Levitsky (aye); Trustee Schwartz (abstain), Trustee Brown (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). The majority being in favor the motion was approved.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Trustee Brown moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Schwartz seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken; all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield, Illinois.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Scott  
West Deerfield Township Clerk