

WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

State of Illinois
Lake County
Town of West Deerfield

DATE: July 19, 2016

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

Roll call was taken by Clerk Kristen Scott. Present were Trustees Ron Levitsky, Ron Schwartz and Jack Strom; Supervisor Feiger; and Clerk Scott. Trustee Marc Brown arrived at 7:08 p.m. Township Assessor Tom Healy was also present.

MINUTES

Trustee Levitsky motioned to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2016 Board meeting as presented. Trustee Strom seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a voice vote was taken. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. For discussion and potential action: Second Quarter Accessibility Grant recommendations

Clerk Scott noted that one application had been received in the previous quarter. A woman suffering from MS and the effects of chemotherapy requested \$1,000 for bone-strengthening physical therapy. The committee recommended funding in the full amount subject to the applicant submitting documentation of her medical condition and the fee schedule of her therapist. Trustee Strom motioned to approve \$1,000 conditional upon supporting documentation being provided, with the funds coming from the Accessibility Grant line item. Trustee Levitsky seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, roll call was taken: Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Strom (aye), Trustee Schwartz (aye), Trustee Brown (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the motion was approved.

B. For discussion and potential action: Approve Transportation Policy.

Supervisor Feiger asked Board members to email any questions on the policy governing the Township's *Going Places* transportation program by the end of the following week. She proposed addressing the policy again at the August meeting.

C. For discussion and potential action: Approve funding for Crisis Intervention Training for Township Police and Fire Department employees

Supervisor Feiger described a program of two one-day seminars on August 8 and 9, 2016, led by National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) representatives, geared to first responders encountering members of the community experiencing a mental health crisis. The program will be held at the Deerfield Courtyard/Marriott on Lake Cook Road. Trustee Levitsky suggested the Township consider a follow-up program for others who deal with the public on a regular basis, such as librarians, clergy and municipal workers. Trustee Strom motioned to fund the August 8-9 CIT event for \$7,000.00 with funds coming from the Mental Health line item. Trustee Levitsky seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, roll call was taken: Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Strom (aye), Trustee Schwartz (aye), Trustee Brown (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the motion was approved.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Feiger thanked the Trustees who joined her in representing West Deerfield Township during Deerfield's Fourth of July parade, including Trustees Brown, Strom and Schwartz. The new transportation van was showcased during the parade.

OPEN DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD

Trustee Brown expressed his enthusiasm for the CIT program, suggesting that the Township sponsor more public safety events in the future. Trustee Levitsky noted that Township Day is September 21; Supervisor Feiger asked the Trustees to contact her should they have a suggestion on how to mark this day. Trustee Strom inquired if the Township Center was a designated cooling center, which Supervisor Feiger confirmed. Supervisor Feiger noted that she hopes to coordinate a Food Pantry "reopening" event in the fall, possibly on a Saturday, so that the many high school volunteers could attend.

AUDIT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Strom motioned to approve the bills as presented. Trustee Schwartz seconded the motion. There being no discussion, roll call was taken: Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Strom (aye), Trustee Schwartz (aye), Trustee Brown (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor, the motion was approved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Trustee Strom motioned to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Schwartz seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken; all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will take place on Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at 7 p.m., at the West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield, Illinois.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Scott
West Deerfield Township Clerk