

WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

State of Illinois
Lake County
Township of West Deerfield

DATE: September 21, 2021

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

Roll call was taken by Clerk Kristen Scott. Present were Trustees Ron Levitsky, Emily Mysel and Kathryn Somers.

Adrienne Johnson was present from the public.

MINUTES

Trustee Levitsky moved to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2021, Board Meeting as presented, and was seconded by Trustee Somers. There being no discussion, Clerk Scott took roll call: Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Mysel (aye), Trustee Somers (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Deerfield resident Adrienne Johnson complimented the Township on its responsiveness to the community, and its ability to meet the varied needs of its residents. Supervisor Feiger thanked Ms. Johnson for attending the meeting, and for her kind words.

Trustee Kharasch joined the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A) For discussion and potential action: Accept Audit for Fiscal Year 2020-21

Township auditor Chris Scalet of Evans, Marshall and Pease joined the meeting via audio conference, describing the Township's financial status as sound, conservative, and without substantial change over the previous year. After answering several questions from the Board, Mr. Scalet left the meeting with the thanks of the Board.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Feiger updated the Board regarding 1) Heavy casework during the last four weeks; 2) substantial passport activity; 3) the Federal Emergency Rental Assistance (FERA) program continuing; 4) West Deerfield Township currently assisting five homeless resident families; 5) the Fall newsletter is being compiled; 6) a new van driver was recently hired; 7) she and Jerry Zachar hosted an inter-agency meeting of local social service professionals; and 8) staff

continues to assist residents apply for LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program.)

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

None.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustees Levitsky and Mysel reported on progress with the "Dementia Friendly Community" initiative, noting that the first "Memory Cafe" program will be held at the Deerfield Library (COVID conditions permitting) on November 3, and on each first Wednesday of the month going forward.

OPEN DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD

The Board discussed various activities within the Township including Deerfield's Harvest Fest, the Optimist Club's Christmas Tree Sale, and the modified Halloween Hoopla event planned by the Deerfield Park District.

AUDIT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

Following discussion, Trustee Levitsky moved to approve the bills as presented, and was seconded by Supervisor Feiger. There being no further discussion, Clerk Scott took roll call: Trustee Kharasch (aye), Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Mysel (aye), Trustee Somers (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the motion was approved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Trustee Mysel moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Supervisor Feiger. Clerk Scott took roll call: Trustee Kharasch (aye), Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Mysel (aye), Trustee Somers (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be held on October 19, 2021, at 7 p.m., at the West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield IL, 60015.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Scott
West Deerfield Township Clerk