

WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

State of Illinois
Lake County
Township of West Deerfield

DATE: June 21, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the West Deerfield Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Township Supervisor Feiger, who led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Trustees Ron Levitsky, Emily Mysel and Kathryn Somers. Trustee Kaye Kharasch joined the meeting at 7:06 p.m. via phone.

MINUTES

Trustee Somers moved to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2022 Board Meeting as presented, and was seconded by Trustee Mysel. There being no discussion, Clerk Scott took roll call: Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Mysel (aye), and Trustee Somers (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (abstain). The majority being in favor the motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

OLD BUSINESS

A) For discussion and potential action: Public Comment Policy

Trustee Somers moved to adopt the Public Comment Policy (attached) 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.

B) For discussion and potential action: Whistleblower Policy

Trustee Levitsky voiced concern over the Auditing Official designee in the Whistleblower's Protection Policy. Following discussion, the Board agreed to seek clarification from legal counsel and tabled the issue until their next Board meeting.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Feiger reported that the Village of Deerfield will provide snow plowing service to the Lake Eleanor neighborhood through an intergovernmental agreement with West Deerfield Township, and summarized several road issues in Del Mar Woods. She also noted that the Federal Emergency Rental Assistance (FERA) program would be ending soon, and that heavy Township casework continues. Further, she explained, the Food Pantry was serving 310 people monthly, and client families would receive "Fourth of July" packages. She also discussed plans for participation in July 4 activities in Deerfield.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

None.

OPEN DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD

Trustee Levitsky reported that the Dementia Friendly program would next focus on business participation, with certification available online. Trustee Kharasch voiced concern over children enrolled in school-lunch programs not receiving these meals during the summer months. Clerk Scott read a letter from the Department of State praising the Township's perfect score on its recent Passport Acceptance Facility review.

AUDIT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

Following brief discussion, Trustee Levitsky moved to approve the bills as presented and was seconded by Trustee Somers. 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 Somers moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Trustee Mysel. 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 July 19, at 7 p.m., at the West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield IL, 60015.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Scott
West Deerfield Township Clerk