

WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

State of Illinois
Lake County
Township of West Deerfield

DATE: October 18, 2022

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, who led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Trustees Ron Levitsky, Emily Mysel, Kathryn Somers and Township Clerk Kristen Scott. Trustee Kaye Kharasch joined the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

MINUTES

Trustee Levitsky moved to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2022 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

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A) **For discussion and potential action: Approve Disability Committee's recommendation**

Clerk Scott reviewed the application submitted for the third quarter, and the committee's recommendation to approve (attached). Trustee Somers motioned to approve the recommended funding in the amount of \$567.00, and was seconded by Trustee Levitsky. There being no discussion, Clerk Scott took roll call: Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Mysel (aye), Trustee Kharasch (aye), Trustee Somers (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the motion was approved.

B) **For discussion and potential action: Establish Tax Levy Ordinance for 2023**

Supervisor Feiger proposed a levy for 2023 in the amount of \$989,302 (Town Fund \$979,302, IMRF \$10,000.) Discussion followed. Trustee Mysel motioned to adopt Levy Ordinance 2022-2 (attached) in the amount of \$989,302, and was seconded by Supervisor Feiger. There being no further discussion, Clerk Scott took roll call: Trustee Levitsky (nay), Trustee Mysel (abstain), Trustee Kharasch (aye), Trustee Somers (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). The majority being in favor the motion was approved.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Feiger updated the Board of the following: 1) Lupe Somerville was awarded 2022 Outstanding Caseworker by Illinois Township Association of General Assistant Caseworkers; 2) the employee handbook was updated and reviewed by staff; 3) Jill Rosen would represent the Food Pantry

at a B'nai Jehoshua Beth Elohim volunteer event on Nov. 6; 4) the Holiday Wish program is underway; 5) assistance and counseling continues for resident victims of the July 4 Parade shooting; and 6) the Food Pantry has received some substantial donations in recent weeks.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

None.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Levitsky reported that the Dementia Friendly committee would hold a stakeholders' meeting on October 20, and that he would explore holding a celebration of some kind to recognize the status of the Township as a DF community, possibly in Spring 2023.

OPEN DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD

Trustee Levitsky suggested several dates for bellringing for the Food Pantry during the holiday season, and noted that he would ask permission to do so of the Lake Forest Starbucks as well as the Deerfield location.

AUDIT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

Following discussion, Trustee Mysel 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 Somers moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Trustee Kharasch. 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 8:47 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be held on November 15, 2022, at 7 p.m., at the West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield IL, 60015.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Scott
West Deerfield Township Clerk