

WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

State of Illinois
Lake County
Township of West Deerfield

DATE: December 10, 2024

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. Clerk Kristen Scott took roll call. Present were Trustees Kaye Kharasch, Ron Levitsky, Emily Mysel and Kathryn Somers.

Deerfield resident Eleanor Sylvan was also present.

MINUTES

Trustee Levitsky moved to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2024 Board meeting and was seconded by Trustee Somers. There being no discussion, Clerk Scott took a voice vote. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1) For discussion and potential action: Approve schedule of meetings for 2025

Clerk Scott presented a proposed schedule of meetings for the upcoming year, noting that none conflicted with Jewish holidays. Trustee Somers moved to approve the schedule as presented, and was seconded by Trustee Levitsky. There being no discussion, Clerk Scott took a voice vote. All we in favor and the schedule was approved.

2) For discussion and potential action: Adopt Resolution authorizing Ron Schwartz ACA services

Trustee Levitsky moved to adopt Resolution 2024-2, authorizing Ron Schwartz to provide Affordable Care Act counseling services to Township residents for 2025, and was seconded by Trustee Somers. There being no discussion, the 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. Trustee Levitsky noted that Ron Schwartz has been serving as ACA counseling for 10 years, and suggested thanking him formally or featuring his service in the Township newsletter.

2) For discussion and potential action: PIT Program participation

Supervisor Feiger described the "Point In Time" initiative in which Lake County officials are asking Townships to provide gift cards for homeless individuals throughout the county, allowing them to purchase hot meals. Following brief discussion, Trustee Somers motioned to approve the purchase of \$500 worth of McDonalds gift cards, 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 motion was approved.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Feiger reported that 1) staff was busy with the Holiday Wish program, with gift and holiday meal distribution scheduled for December 18; several Board members volunteered to sponsor additional clients; 2) the One Deerfield Place Holiday Party would be held December 13; 3) Deerfield Rotary members would be "bell ringing" for the Food Pantry in two locations on Saturday, December 14; and 4) a new furnace and AC unit would be installed in the next several months.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Feiger read a brief report from Assessor Andrew Richter, noting that December 10 was the final day for residential appeal hearings, with three more appeal hearing days in January for commercial properties.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Levitsky confirmed the schedule of bellringers joining the Deerfield Rotary on December 14 in support of the food pantry.

OPEN DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD

None.

AUDIT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

Following 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 Levitsky (aye), Trustee Mysel (aye), Trustee Kharasch (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 Supervisor Feiger. Clerk Scott took a voice vote; all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held January 21, 2025, at 7 p.m., at the West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield IL, 60015.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Scott
Township Clerk