

**LISLE TOWNSHIP
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 8, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Meeting of the Board of Township Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Tarulis at 7:30 p.m. at the Lisle Township office, 4711 Indiana Avenue, Lisle, IL.

Roll Call:

Physically Present:

Supervisor Richard Tarulis
Assessor John Trowbridge
Highway Commissioner Ed Young
Trustee Michael Riedy
Trustee Michael Tams
Trustee Jerome Buch
Trustee Kathy Chatman
Clerk Robert Klaeren

Present Electronically: None

Absent: None

Others Present: Gerry Galloway Waheed Mohammed Mary Jo Mullen
 Bill Green Dave Melsbakas

Public Comments: None

Approval of January 11, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes:

Trustee Buch motioned for the approval of the minutes from the January 11 regular board meeting. Trustee Riedy seconded the motion.

Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

4721 Indiana Ave Building Update:

Assessor Trowbridge said that he and Supervisor Tarulis had discussed the building at 1500 Eisenhower as a potential site but that the Supervisor was resolute in his opinion that the Township Assessor and staff should be on site if at all possible. The assessor then conveyed that he and the supervisor discussed the configuration of the space he would need. Mr. Trowbridge concluded that he felt that building out space might be more expensive than purchasing an existing space.

4721 Indiana Ave Building Update(continued):

Supervisor Tarulis said that he and the assessor had had a lengthy discussion regarding the situation. He conveyed that he does not like the fact that the Eisenhower site is miles away because of the additional time and expense associated with daily administrative tasks over the lifetime of a building. The Supervisor said that maybe they should think outside of the box, meaning perhaps the supervisor's office and assessor's office could be in the same building to save administrative costs.

The board and supervisor then discussed why the two departments were split from a single building years ago. The supervisor said that the old building was bursting at the seams, and that employees were "almost working out of closets" before the 4711 Indiana Ave building was built.

The supervisor concluded his thoughts by saying that he would have liked for the process to have gone more quickly, but that perhaps it is better that the board is taking the time to consider how to move forward correctly instead of making a decision that they would regret a few years after making it.

Mr. Tams asked; what is the next step? The supervisor said that since it is not practical to refurbish the building because of the cracks in the foundation. His opinion is that if the township repairs the building it would not hold up because of all of the issues with the foundation. His thoughts are that perhaps the board should consider tearing it down in the spring. The supervisor said finally that it was not our choice to have a building with a cracked foundation and faulty roof but it was our responsibility to deal with it.

Assessor Trowbridge then went through some of his, pros and cons for each of the existing options. He concluded by saying that he would accept the board's decision when it is made.

Reports of Elected Officials:

Assessor Trowbridge: No Report

Highway Commissioner Young:

The commissioner began his report by saying that his crew has been out five times in both 2016 and 2017. The township received a check from an insurance company to repair a road (Primrose Lane) where a car had caught on fire and the highway department is going to have to patch the road. The payment was based on a repair estimate provided by the road commission to the insurance company.

The commissioner attended a hearing at the DuPage Zoning Board of Appeals for a commercial day care facility on Katrine Avenue. The proposed commercial day care would be near the dead end of the street where it is only 15 feet wide. The structure is currently a single family home, on a street that is currently all residential. The highway commissioner said that he had testified that the location was not appropriate because the road was not intended for commercial traffic.

Reports of Elected Officials (continued):

The highway commissioner said that they are evaluating the purchase of a new truck and unfortunately he may not be purchasing a Navistar, due to the quality issues he and other agencies are having with recently purchased equipment. He noted that this is disappointing given Navistar is based in Lisle Township.

Supervisor Tarulis:

There is a shred day scheduled for April 22nd from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. The event will be held at the township in the parking lot. The township applied for a grant from the county which covers two thirds of the cost and received it. This is the second year in a row the township has held the event and it was very widely used in the previous year. The date was chosen because it is the weekend after April 15th tax filing date.

The supervisor noted that the township had earned approximately \$25,000.00 in interest over the past four years; this was considerably more that it would have received if the township had not reviewed its investments at that time.

The township received a letter from the Village of Lisle regarding some of its TIF districts. The village has to return the unused portion of the TIF to the affected taxing districts and Lisle Township just received a check for \$5,725.00 in TIF surplus from the village.

The supervisor just received a detailed letter from the president of the Friends for Lisle Township. The letter stated that the organization has filed their taxes and all the appropriate paperwork. Furthermore they stand ready to assist the food pantry to meet the needs of the community.

Other Business:

Trustee Chatman said that she had been approached by a community group who was looking to assist students in need. The entire board then engaged in a long conversation as to some of the needs of the poor and how the township could perhaps act as a conduit for putting those in need in contact with groups who want to help. The supervisor said that he would discuss these ideas with staff to determine what further could be done.

The township food pantry will be receiving food from the USPS Letter Carriers Food Drive on May 13th. The supervisor asked that the board please continue its tradition of volunteering at this event.

May 13th is also the date for the Triad Car Care Safety Clinic for Seniors at the township.

Audit of Expenditures:

A motion was made by Trustee Riedy to audit expenditures. It was seconded by Trustee Chatman. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed.

The following total expenditures in each fund were reviewed:

Town Fund	\$ 50,442.57
General Assistance Fund	\$ 4,979.18
Road & Bridge Fund	\$ 62,922.73

A motion was made by Trustee Riedy to approve the audit of the expenditures. It was seconded by Trustee Chatman.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: Tams, Riedy, Buch, Chatman, Tarulis,

Nays: None

Absent:

Motion Passed

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Riedy and seconded by Trustee Chatman. Voice vote, all present in favor, motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert Klaeren
Township Clerk