



State of Illinois) November 13, 2014
County of LaSalle) Regular Meeting
Township of Northville)

The Northville Township meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Present – Trustee Jim Byrne, Trustee Joe Emma, Trustee Jerry Owens, Trustee Jim Swanson and
Chairman - Richard Felstead

Others Present – Road Commissioner – John Middleton
Assessor – Hal Ament
Clerk – Linda Swanson

Public Present – Justin VanZuiden, Auditor from WIPFLI, LLC.

Pledge to the Flag

Amended Road Budget Hearing

Trustee Byrne motioned to go into the Road Budget Hearing and Trustee Swanson seconded. All ayes per voice vote, so motion passed.

The Road Budget Hearing started 7:03 p.m.

Chairman Felstead informed Mr. VanZuiden the reason that the Road Budget had to be amended.

Trustee Emma motioned to come out of the Road Budget Hearing and Trustee Byrne seconded. All ayes per voice vote, so motion passed.

Road Budget Hearing ended 7:05 p.m.

Adopt Town and Road Budgets 2014-2015

Trustee Emma motioned to adopt the 2014-2015 Amended Road Budget and Trustee Byrne seconded. All ayes per roll call vote, so motion passed.

Public Comments - None

Approval and/or Correction of Prior Meeting’s Minutes

Trustee Byrne motioned to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for October 14, 2014 Trustee Swanson seconded. All ayes per voice vote, so motion passed.

Chairman Felstead motioned to approve the Special Meeting minutes for November 6, 2014
Trustee Byrne seconded. All ayes per voice vote, so motion passed.

Reports from Officers

Supervisor's Report – None

Highway Commissioner's Report – See attached report.

I received 6 hours of training at the TOI conference. One class at the TOI Conference that I attended was about the way sales tax from gasoline goes into the general fund and that it should be going into the roads and bridges instead. That way there is more money to maintain the Roads and Bridges. They are talking about forming a lobbyist group to try to make it happen. I am planning on joining the group.

Assessor's Report – We met the November 3rd deadline for responses to the tax complaints for 2012 and I was told that this was the first time in 10 years that they were turned in on time. They were actually surprised to see me. We have eight 2013 tax complaints that are due by December 15th. At the TOI Conference, one class that I attended was about the future of Township government that was given by Bill Morris who in the past was a state senator.

Clerk's Report – I contacted the Trustees to set up a Special Meeting for November 6th regarding the Joint Resolution Authorizing Intervention In Proceedings Before The State Of Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board for PTAB Case Number 13-04403. I updated the Road Levy for 2014. I ordered the free 2015 County magnets from UniversalAdcom. We can receive 200 magnets up to four times a year for free. In the distributed by area on the magnet, it will have Northville Township. NAPA in Sandwich and Yorkville have been sold, so I set up our account with the new owner. I am looking into buying a defibrillator from CMS. I renewed our account with the Federal program called System for Awards Management (SAM). The SAM program is where we were able to get Federal reimbursement for the April 2013 flood.

Trustees' Reports – Trustee Emma told the board that he received 6 hours of training at the TOI conference. One class that he attended was about helping Townships and individuals to go green. The class was poorly attended, but he found it helpful. He told the Board that many of the things that they talked about we already have done at the Township building and garage.

Trustee Owens asked if anyone attend the one about TIF. Assessor Ament and Trustee Byrne attended the TIF seminar and found it informative, but that it does not apply to our Township because we have no municipalities in the Township. Only municipalities can apply for TIF.

Trustee Byrne also received 6 hours of training at the conference. He attended the seminar on conducting meetings in an appropriate and legal fashion. He told the Board that he was very happy because the things that they talked about we are already doing.

Trustee Swanson said that when Trustee Emma, Chairman Felstead, and he were elected the first time they took advantage of a lot of the trainings that were offered to them. Some of the trainings were free. He said that going to the trainings helped them a lot and that it was not by chance that we are doing what we should be doing. Chairman Felstead and Trustee Emma agreed and added their comments. They all agreed that going to trainings is very important.

Old Business

None

New Business

a. 2013-2014 Audit

Auditor, Justin VanZuiden with WIPFLI, LLC, reviewed the 2013-2014 Audit with the Township Board. He told the Board that he received all the documents that he requested. He found nothing even remotely suspicious. The Township cash situation is solid. The Auditor said that he read all the minutes and they were very detailed. When a trustee asked if there were any changes that needed to be implemented, Mr. VanZuiden told the Board there were no changes recommended. He said we were doing a great job. He told the Board that you usually don't see what you have here with the other Townships we deal with. He told the Board that you can tell that the people here really care about what they are doing.

b. Discuss Website

The Clerk and Chairman told the Board about some of their reasons for developing a website. The Clerk and Chairman will be the contact people for the Website. The cost of the startup fee for the Website will be \$275.00 and a \$175.00 annual subscription.

Trustee Swanson made a motion to create a Township Website and Trustee Byrne seconded. All ayes per Roll Call Vote, so motion passed.

c. Town and Road Levies

Chairman Felstead said there will be no changes to the Town Levy. It will be that same as last year.

Road Commissioner Middleton told the Board that there will be no changes to the Road Levy. It will be the same as last year.

Audit Town and Road Bills

Town bills were reviewed and signed.

Trustee Swanson motioned to approve the Town bills and Trustee Emma seconded. All ayes per voice vote, so motion passed.

Road bills were reviewed and signed.

Trustee Emma motioned to approve the Road bills and Trustee Byrne seconded. All ayes per voice vote, so motion passed.

Adjournment

Trustee Swanson motioned to adjourn the meeting and Trustee Byrne seconded. All ayes per voice vote, so motion passed.

Meeting ended at 8:24 p.m.

Respectively Submitted by Linda Swanson – Northville Township Clerk

Northville Township Highway Department

Highway Commissioners Report

November 13, 2014

Roads

1. Salt contract 175 ton, from CMS received \$82.14 per ton delivered.
2. D Construction is 85% completed with construction of E.29th Rd.
3. IDOT bridge report on 42nd road bridge, no over loads allowed.
4. 2015 summer construction planning meeting at LCHD.
5. Willett Hoffman Engineering report completed on all Northville bridges.
6. 2014 TOI Annual attended in Springfield IL. 6 Hrs. of continuing education completed November 9-11th.

Equipment

1. Ford F-550 running boards mud flaps
2. Batteries replaced in JD-772CH Road grader.
3. Repairs on snow plows and salt equipment continuing.

Building

1. Winterizing of building, air conditioner cover, and rodent control.
2. Monthly cleaning of office continues
3. Fall cleanup of leaves and foliage.