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MINUTES**CAPITAL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES****JUNE 14, 2021****CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The Capital Township Board of Trustees met in the County Board Chambers. As it was Flag Day, Supervisor Aiello had everyone stand and had Trustee Carlson lead them in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members answered to roll call: Joe Aiello, Richard Berning, Brad Carlson, Lakeisha Purchase and Tammie Rockford. Mark Crawford, Frank McNeil, Justin Reichert and Julie Pittman were also present. Legal Counsel Bruce Stratton attended by phone.

A motion was made by Trustee Purchase, seconded by Trustee Berning, to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2021 meeting. A voice vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Trustee Purchase, seconded by Trustee Carlson to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2021 meeting. A voice vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Trustee Berning, seconded by Trustee Rockford, to approve payment of the Supervisor/Collector/General Assistance Administration Expenditures in the amount of \$750.00. Trustee Purchase requested that a line item be included on that report that shows the \$500 rent for the Capital Township Building on 11th Street. A voice vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Trustee Carlson, seconded by Trustee Berning, to approve payment of the Township Clerk/Township Assessor's Administration Expenditures in the amount of \$2,339.96. A voice vote was unanimous.

HOMELESS INITIATIVE – JOSH SABO, COORDINATOR, HEARTLAND CONTIUUM OF CARE

Josh Sabo, the Coordinator of the Heartland Continuum of Care, gave a detailed powerpoint presentation on the homeless initiative here in Springfield. They are designated with developing, coordinating and implementing long-range plans meeting the needs of homeless persons within Springfield. They have partnered with two consulting groups to launch a community-wide strategic planning process to address homelessness across the greater Springfield area. Funding for the strategic planning process, totaling \$160,000, is being provided by the City of Springfield, Community Foundation

for the Land of Lincoln, Memorial Hospital, HSHS St. John's Hospital, Sangamon County, Springfield Housing Authority, SIU School of Medicine and United Way of Central Illinois.

REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL

There was no report from legal counsel.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Aiello said Clerk Gray would put a publication in the newspaper between now and the next meeting announcing that the meetings will be held in the County Board chambers until the end of the year. He also stated that the call-in option would still be available. He will also send out pay stubs and May monthly stats. They have provided approximately 28,000 meals to the homeless since the pandemic started and will continue with that as long as they are able. At the request of Trustee Purchase, Supervisor Aiello went over the May statistics in more detail.

Trustee Purchase also inquired about the Workfare program and the TIF letter that was sent to the Mayor. Aiello had not heard anything back from the Mayor on the letter. Aiello stated he was trying to figure out the best way to handle the Workfare program. He will continue to update the board on how that is progressing. Trustee Purchase also inquired about the possibility of having brochures that contain what is on the website printed for those that do not have access to a PC. Aiello said he would send to those that want them. Trustee Purchase also inquired about how that training is coming along for the employees. Aiello has spent time with the employees and has encouraged them to treat everyone with respect. They need their help and that is why they are there. He is currently looking for the right type of training for them.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Frank McNeil then addressed the board. He is looking to acquire some funding for operational needs for some programs that include violence reduction, summer youth employment, and several others that would be addressed through a 501c organization. He would like to know what the process and procedure is to apply for funding. Supervisor Aiello inquired about some of the programs Mr. McNeil is talking about. Mr. McNeil said he is specifically talking about summer youth employment. He also described some of the funding he was able to acquire in the past when he was on the City Council. Supervisor Aiello added that primary funding is generally for emergencies, but he thinks they have done other special projects and partnered with others over the years. Supervisor Aiello concluded saying he would send Mr. McNeil an email with the information to get the dialogue started.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Trustee Berning, seconded by Trustee Purchase, to adjourn the meeting to July 12, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. A voice vote was unanimous.

Don Gray
Town Clerk