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MINUTES

CAPITAL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DECEMBER 12, 2022

The Capital Township Board of Trustees met in the County Board Chambers, 2nd floor County Building. Trustee Carlson led them in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members answered to roll call: Joe Aiello, Brad Carlson, Ken Leonard, and Tammie Rockford. Bernadette Gordon came in at 12:02 p.m. Justin Reichert was present as Legal Counsel. Mark Crawford, Bryon Deaner, and Joe Petty were also present.

A motion was made by Trustee Carlson, seconded by Trustee Leonard, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. A voice vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Trustee Leonard, seconded by Trustee Rockford, to approve payment of the Supervisor/Collector/General Assistance Administration Expenditures, in the amount of \$750.00. A voice vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Trustee Rockford, seconded by Trustee Carlson, to approve payment of the Township Clerk/Township Assessor’s Administration Expenditures, in the amount of \$393.51 A voice vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Trustee Leonard, seconded by Trustee Rockford, for approval of Resolution 1 the 2022-2023 Tax Levy Ordinance. Upon a roll call vote, there were 4 Yeas – 0 Nays. Trustee Gordon came in after the vote.

A motion was made by Trustee Rockford, seconded by Trustee Carlson, to approve the 2023 Town Board Meeting Schedule. Upon a roll call vote, there were 5 Yeas – 0 Nays.

Supervisor Aiello commented on the Legacy Sports Complex. This is an agreement to abate taxes from the Township and allow the sports Complex to use the taxes for development of the property. They are a small part of the tax base in that area. The largest share of the taxes is the school district. They are surrendering \$100,000 to \$200,000. The City of Springfield and Sangamon County is around \$14,000 and \$25,000. Capital Townships share will be to abate and surrender from \$500 to \$1,000 for this project. It is an economic development project. A motion

was made by Trustee Carlson, seconded by Trustee Rockford, for approval of Resolution 2 authorizing a property tax abatement agreement. Supervisor Aiello stated there is a typo that says \$303 is our beginning portion but should say \$13. He presented an amended copy with his signature to place on file with the Clerk. Upon a roll call vote, there were 4 Yeas – 0 Nays – 1 Present for the adoption of Resolution 2. Trustee Gordon voted Present.

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

Supervisor Aiello updated them on the homeless initiative. There has been some recent activity with this from the Continuum of Care and Helping Hands. They have all come together to push this in the right direction and create more awareness and more funding to do what is right and what is best for our homeless community.

He introduced Architect Joe Petty to give a slideshow presentation on their plan to relocate Helping Hands. Mr. Petty stated they are overgrown and do not have enough space so they need to put together what their needs will be. The Juvenile Detention Facility currently only uses about half the building, so they have about 20,000 square feet not being used. They will demo some of the building and will open up space for Helping Hands. They developed a way to incorporate these people into this facility. There will not be many changes to the southwest part of the facility. They want to get people to and from the facility in a nice fluid manner by creating space for pick up, drop off, and parking. They are required to have a defined separation between Juvenile Detention and Helping Hands. They will have two groups of people using Helping Hands. There will those who are low barrier, who are just entering the system and do not have jobs or transportation. As they grow and develop, they hopefully go to the next level, which is the reserve level. These people may have vehicles and jobs but are still part of the process. This is the last step before they go out and live on their own. The reserve area has the added feature to have their own private entrance where they can come and go from. There is currently an outdoor exercise space they will enclose to make it part of the square footage. The overall size will be 20,000 square feet and will have room for growth.

Trustee Carlson asked what the timeline is for this project. Mr. Petty stated they would like to have them in there by next year in mid-November. Final action will be taken on the zoning variance on December 21st.

Supervisor Aiello asked if they are addressing the transportation concerns. Byron Deaner stated SMTD would have a bus stop at this location. Helping hands will also provide some of their own transportation, and they will be able to transport them from there to Public Health as needed.

Mr. Petty stated they would give this a fresh new look at the entrance of the facility as well. In addition, a green wall will separate the two parking lots.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Trustee Carlson, seconded by Trustee Rockford, to adjourn the meeting to January 9, 2023 at Noon. A voice vote was unanimous.

Don Gray
Town Clerk