

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF VERNON TOWNSHIP HELD ON FEBRUARY 10, 2022, AT 7:00 PM, AT VERNON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY SERVICE BUILDING, 2900 NORTH MAIN STREET, BUFFALO GROVE, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS DUE TO THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC, THE TOWNSHIP WILL BE UTILIZING ONLINE FORMAT GOTOWEBINAR FOR THIS MEETING.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at the hour of 7:02 p.m. by Supervisor Altenberg.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Altenberg led everyone in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Those present at roll call via conference call were Township Assessor Curtis Perlman, Township Trustees Roger Addelson, Philip Hirsh, Sara Knizhnik, and Sheila Sebor. Also, present Attorney Ann Williams.

Those physically present at roll call were Township Supervisor Jon Altenberg, Township Clerk Tim Kobler, Town Manager Todd Gedville, and Director of Constituent Affairs Barrett Monie.

A QUORUM WAS DECLARED

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Made by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Knizhnik to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held on January 13, 2022.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Sebor, Knizhnik and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYES: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

6. Reports

Supervisor Altenberg requested that Trustee Addelson provide his report. Trustee Addelson reported that his children and grandchildren are living in California and after spending time in California this winter an opportunity to purchase a home in California presented itself that will allow him and his wife to be with their children and grandchild. At the March Board Meeting he will provide a letter formally resigning his Office to Supervisor Altenberg.

a. SUPERVISOR:

Supervisor Altenberg thanked Trustee Addelson for his contributions to the Township. There has been significant progress with the Energy Commission both with other local governments as well with the University of Illinois. The Township continues to move forward on plans to update the Township office building. Supervisor Altenberg plans on keeping the mask requirements through March 15, 2022.

b. CLERK:

Congratulated and thanked Trustee Addelson on his pending retirement.

c. ASSESOR:

Assessor Perlman and his staff have been reviewing and identifying documents for destruction. They staff has been catching up on training. Assessor Perlman also congratulated Trustee Addelson.

d. TRUSTEE REPORTS:

TRUSTEE SEBOR:

Trustee Sebor thanked Trustee Addelson for his mentorship and leadership he provided to her personally and to the Board.

TRUSTEE KNIZNIK:

Trustee Knizhnik thank Trustee Addelson and wished she was able to have spent more time serving with him. Trustee Knizhnik provided an update on the upcoming Firearm Safety Event.

TRUSTEE HIRSH:

Trustee Hirsh thanked Town Manager Gedville and the staff for the work on the budget and being available to review it. Trustee Hirsh also thanked Trustee Addelson for his service to the Board.

e. TOWN MANAGER:

1. There was minor vandalism reported at the train station. It was reported to the police and cleaned.
2. The Township bus broke down again and staff has been working to provide transportation to those in need.
3. The County is moving forward with PACE beginning May 1, 2022.

f. DIRECTOR OF CONSTITUENT AFFAIRS:

1. The freezer in the food pantry has been fixed and back up and running.
2. The food pantry is being considered to be a part of a trial phase of a second restaurant pick up.
3. The Township has signed another request for another 25% of our FERA allotment that is anticipated to cover expenses through April.
4. There are 111 kids signed up for Summer Camp and are ahead of last year.
5. The hiring of lifeguards are underway with a \$100 referral program.
6. Conversations have been conducted with a few Cricket pitch designers in hopes to have a ground breaking in the spring.
7. Environmental Commission update: Entities continue to commit and either sign or have their Boards review and approve a memorandum of understanding.

g. ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Had no report. Attorney Williams wished Trustee Addelson well as he moves into the next chapter of his life.

7. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES IN THE FOLLOWING FUNDS:

a. Town Fund

MOTION: Made by Trustee Sebor and seconded by Trustee Knizhnik to approve the Town Fund expenditures in the amount of \$284,973.15.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

b. General Assistance Fund:

MOTION: Made by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve the General Assistance expenditures in the amount of \$17,343.26.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

c. Cemetery Fund:

MOTION: Made by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Hirsh to approve the Cemetery Fund expenditures in in the amount of \$21,144.48.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

d. Park Fund:

MOTION: Made by Trustee Addelson and second by Trustee Sebor to approve the Park Fund expenditures in the amount of \$7,056.95.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

e. General Road Fund

MOTION: Made by Trustee Knizhnik and seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve the General Road Fund expenditures in the amount of \$36,877.01.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

f. Permanent Road Fund

MOTION: Made by Trustee Sebor and seconded by Trustee Hirsh to approve the expenditures in the Permanent Road Fund in the amount of \$53,270.90.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

g. Station Fund:

MOTION: Made by Trustee Addelson seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve the expenditures in the Station Fund in the amount of \$8,053.25.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

8. PRIOR BUSINESS

There was no prior business.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Reappointment of Mr. Christopher Kennedy of Prairie View to a 3-Year Term on the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Protection District Board of Trustees.

MOTION: Made by Trustee Addelson seconded by Trustee Knizhnik to Appoint Mr. Christopher Kennedy of Prairie View to a 3-year term to the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Protection District Board of Trustees.

DISCUSSION: The Board had a brief discussion of how well Mr. Kennedy has preformed his duties over the last three years.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

- b. Discussion and Possible Action on an Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement for Snow and Ice Control Between Vernon Township and the Village of Vernon Hills.

MOTION: Made by Trustee Knizhnik seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve an Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement for Snow and Ice Control Between Vernon Township and the Village of Vernon Hills.

DISCUSSION: The Board was briefed on the changes to the agreement by Town Manager Gedville.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

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- c. Discussion and Possible Action on the Vernon Township Ruth Bader Ginsburg Scholarship.

Trustee Sebor provided an update to the Board on the work being done and a list of items that need to be explored. Trustee Sebor advised that both Vernon Hills High School and Stevenson High School to assist in the development of the scholarship, so it is consistent with other scholarship programs.

There was no action taken by the Board.

d. Discussion and Possible Action on the Vernon Township Energy Commission Memorandum of Understanding.

MOTION: Made by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve a memorandum of Understanding with Veregy Inc.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

10. PERLIMINARY BUDGET REVIEW FOR PHYSCIL YEAR 2-22-2023

Town Manager Gedville presented a preliminary budget for each fund of the Township. A brief discussion by the Board ensued.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Made by Trustee Addelson seconded by Trustee Hirsh to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Trustee Addelson, Hirsh, Knizhnik, Sebor, and Supervisor Altenberg. NAYS: None. Absent: None.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

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Presented, Read, and Approved.

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Jon Altenberg, Township Supervisor