

Minutes - Board of Town Trustees

Lemont Township Board Meeting – February 9, 2021

The Lemont Township Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Shackel at the Township offices at 1115 Warner Avenue, Lemont, IL (and by Zoom) at 7:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was said and role was called by Clerk Buschman: Trustees Blatzer, Mollo, Nicklas, Sanderson and Supervisor Shackel – present.

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 2021 meeting, with corrections to the report from Kathy Henrikson, made by Blatzer, 2nd by Mollo. On roll call: Trustees Blatzer, Mollo, Nicklas, Sanderson and Supervisor Shackel – ayes. Motion passed. Correction will show meeting with volunteers will include projects already talked about as well as new ideas.

Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills:

General Fund	\$ 55,177.26
Road & Bridge	\$105,140.52
Open Space	\$ 487.85
General Assistance	\$ 1,700.00

Motion to approve made by Trustee Blatzer, 2nd by Trustee Mollo on roll call: Trustee Blatzer, Mollo, Nicklas, Sanderson and Supervisor Shackel; ayes. Motion passed.

Matters from the Public: None

Reports

Supervisor: Supervisor Shackel reported he had spoken to VP Crabtree of TOI and he was told we could have the 2020 Annual Town Hall meeting at any time. Clerk Buschman attended a Cook County Clerk's meeting and was told that it had to be held before the annual Town Hall meeting on April 13, 2021. Buschman also spoke to President Smith of TOI and he told her it had to be held before the April meeting. Shackel also spoke to our Township Attorney, Neal Smith, and he said we didn't have to have the meeting. Shackel will further investigate. A TOIRMA representative visited the Township to review equipment belonging to the Township in preparation to their annual report. The Census boundary form for Lemont has been completed and returned to them. Discussions in regards to the Covid vaccinations were held. We may be able to get them at the fire department or possibly schools. Jeanette Daubarus reported she had received her shot in Tinley Park. Also talk about opening the Township Alba community center in March. We will have a new waiver in regards to rentals. Shackel was interviewed by a senior at the high school in regards to the TOI Scholarship.

Board Reports: Trustee Mollo reported that he had been contacted and had discussion with a high school senior in regards to the TOI scholarship.

Highway Commissioner: Mark Labno reported that the highway department has been very busy with snow removal because of the many days of snow. The men have been working very hard keeping the Township roads clear. Compliments from the Board on the job well done. Two of the trucks broke down but were taken care of in house. Looking to ordering 700 tons of trucks and planning on using MFT funds to pay for them. Still working on equipment. Karen Liset from the Township also said they were getting many calls from residents on a good job.

Clerk: Clerk Buschman reported that early voting will start on March 10 until April 5 for the Consolidated Election on April 6. She reported that she attended a Cook County Clerk meeting by zoom and Karen Yarborough was the guest speaker. It was reported that because of Covid 19, the Annual Town Hall meeting wasn't held in 2020 and she was told that it had to be held before the April 13, 2021, Town Hall meeting. She and Deputy Clerk Elizabeth Ganta Rynne suggested they have a Special Meeting to approve the annual agenda for 2019-2020 which has to be done before it can be posted in the newspaper and in 3 public places. They suggested having that very short meeting in a week and having the 202021 annual meeting after the March Township Regular Board meeting. Buschman also reported that a new FOIA has come into the office.

Assessor: Joyce Black, Assessor Administrative Assistant, reported that Assessor Jacobowski is in the hospital and has had surgery. She reported that the tax bills are out with the due date of March 2, however the county has given a 2 month extension without penalty because of Covid so you must have them in by May 3 2021. Joyce will take care of any problems, but will need a copy of their driver's license. The October appeals just came out the Board of Review is closed. She is working remotely and is keeping in touch with the Assessor. She has answered many emails, calls, and permits.

Human Services: Debbie Schmitt has submitted her report by email.

Open Space: Kathy Henrikson has submitted her report by email.

Unfinished Business: Trustee Sanderson inquired about finding replacement for Deputy Clerk Elizabeth Ganta Rynne. Supervisor Shackel remarked that he is working on it.

New business: Motion to approve Resolution 2020-21, An Agreement between the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network IPWMAN was made by Trustee Blatzer, 2nd by Trustee Mollo; on discussion Trustees Blatzer, Mollo, Nicklas and Highway Commissioner Labno all agreed it was a great idea. The Village

belongs to it. Motion made by Trustee Blatzer, 2nd by Trustee Mollo on roll call: Trustee Blatzer, Mollo, Nicklas, Sanderson and Supervisor Shackel-eyes. Motion passed.

Motion made by Trustee Blatzer, 2nd by Trustee Mollo, to adjourn at 7:47 p.m. On roll call: Trustee Blatzer, Mollo, Nicklas, Sanderson and Supervisor Shackel-eyes. Motion passed.

Barbara A. Buschman
Township Clerk