



The regular town board meeting, being held at 175 West Jefferson Street, Joliet Township government offices, on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. was called to order by Township Supervisor Daniel L. Vera. The following official business was transacted:

Former Clerk, Marilyn Budde was called on to led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Clerk May called the roll as follows:

TRUSTEES:	Robert F. Wisniewski	Present
	Jeffery M. Wallace	Present
	Raymond F. Slattery	Present
	Burke J. Schuster	Present
SUPERVISOR:	Daniel L. Vera	Present
CLERK:	Beth Ann May	Present
OTHER OFFICIALS:	Assessor James Brenzewski	Present
	Collector Denise Winfrey	Present
ALSO PRESENT:	Accountant Colleen Witt	Present
	Director Sarah Gimbel	Present
	Attorney Franklin D. Burkey	Present

Commissioner Maffeo was absent due to a personal reasons.

Approval of the Minutes:

Regular Town/April 25, 2017: Trustee Slattery moved to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2017 Regular Town Board Meeting and to waive the reading of these minutes inasmuch as copies had previously been delivered. Seconded by Trustee Schuster. A voice vote was taken.¹

Public Comment:

None

¹ The motion carried.

New Business:

Approval/Reduce Rate Service Agreement – Johansen & Anderson

Supervisor Vera directed the Board to review the proposed reduce rate agreement in the Board Packet. This renewal agreement is for the next three years and allows for a 10% reduced rate, the same arrangement as the previous agreement. Trustee Schuster moved to authorize the Supervisor to enter into an agreement with Johansen and Anderson for heating and air conditioning service needs as proposed. Seconded by Trustee Wallace. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes (5), Nays (0)²

Approval/New Hire Animal Control

Director Gimbel reported that the proposed new employee has decided to not accept the part-time administrative position so at this time she does not have anyone to bring forward for consideration. No action was taken.

Honorary Resolution – Robert Wisniewski

Supervisor Vera called on Clerk May to read the Honorary Resolution in recognition of the retirement of Trustee Robert Wisniewski from the Township Board. Trustee Slattery moved to approve the Resolution, seconded by Trustee Schuster. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes (4), Nays (0), Abstain (1)³

Trustee Wisniewski provided comments on his 36 years as a Trustee with the Township, stating how honored he has been to serve and thanked those present for the recognition. The other elected officials provided comments of congratulations. Those present gave him a round of applause.

Resolutions from the Illinois House of Representatives and the Illinois State Senate, were also presented.

Honorary Resolution – Jeffrey Wallace

Supervisor Vera called on Clerk May to read the Honorary Resolution in recognition of the retirement of Trustee Jeffrey Wallace from the Township Board. Trustee Slattery moved to approve the Resolution, seconded by Trustee Schuster. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes (4), Nays (0), Abstain (1)⁴

Trustee Wallace provided comments on his service with the Township from Collector to Trustee. He also voiced how proud he has been to serve the community. The other elected officials provided comments of congratulations. Those present gave him a round of applause.

Resolutions from the Illinois House of Representatives and the Illinois State Senate, were also presented.

² Roll Call Ayes (5) Trustees Wisniewski, Wallace, Slattery, Schuster and Supervisor Vera

³ Roll Call Ayes (4) Trustees Wallace, Slattery, Schuster and Supervisor Vera; Abstain, Trustee Wisniewski

⁴ Roll Call Ayes (4) Trustees Wisniewski, Slattery, Schuster and Supervisor Vera; Abstain, Trustee Wallace

Unfinished Business:

None

Reports:

Supervisor:

The Supervisor reported last Thursday, the County Wide General Assistance Caseworkers held their meeting at our Township. He thanked the officials that were able to attend the Central Trades dinner. The Animal Control parking lot was sealed and striped. He reminded the Board of the Bluestem Earth Festival on May 20 and asked them to plan on attending. He asked all those present at the Regular Meeting to please remain for the swearing in ceremony planned immediately after.

Clerk:

Clerk May reported she filed the 2017-2018 Budget & Appropriations for the Township and Road District with the County Clerk on April 26, 2017. She completed the minutes for consideration this evening and the documents for swearing in ceremony. Other than that, just the day to day operations of her office.

Highway Commissioner:

Commissioner Maffeo absent, no report.

Assessor:

Assessor Brenzewski indicated it has been a slow couple of weeks but they have started the factoring process. Other than that, just the day to day operations of his office.

Attorney:

Attorney Burkey reported he continues to work the Commissioner Maffeo and Director Gimbel on various issues.

Accountant:

Accountant Witt reported the financials for the year ending March 31, 2017 are completed and have been distributed. She provided comments on the Road District Fund, where two of the line items, Maintenance Service – Equipment and Engineering Services went over budget. She reported that meetings were held with Commissioner Maffeo prior to the final Transfer of Funds where they discussed outstanding bills/expenses. The Commissioner indicated that work was being done on a vehicle; however his estimate of the cost of the work (\$7,500.00) came in higher than anticipated (\$9,665.00). The \$7,500.00 was taken into consideration when the Transfers were made. The Commissioner did not indicate at the time of the Transfers that there were any outstanding Engineering expenses; however, a bill was received in April for \$6,208.68. These additional expenses caused the overages in the line items for the budget. The Road District Budget as a whole for FY 2017 did not go over in total

expenditures, only the 2 line items discussed. Regarding the other funds, there were no overages.

Trustee Slattery asked if there are any ramifications as a result of the overage. Accountant Witt replied there could be cause for a footnote in the annual audit regarding the overspending; however the total appropriation was not overspent. We try to avoid this by allowing for transfers of funds two time per year and we always keep in mind that we can't exceed 10% transferable amount. These bills will be paid this year but will be accrued to last year (FY 2017).

The bank reconciliations for April have been completed and are on the table for review. The financials for April will be completed by the May 23, 2017 meeting. The preliminary rate for IMRF for 2018 has been received. It is 5.9%, down from our current rate of 6.43% and 6.8 prior. She has been preparing for the Auditor to come which is scheduled for next Monday, May 15. Other than that it has been the day to day operations of her office.

Animal Control Center:

Director Gimbel reported that they once again, provided dogs as comfort and stress relievers to the students at the University of St. Francis during finals week. She indicated we have been doing this for the past 4 years. In general, it has been the day to day operations of the Center. She offered best wishes to Trustees Wisniewski and Wallace and promised Trustee Wallace that she will continue to publish an "animal of the week" in the Joliet Herald News.

Receipts: Trustee Wallace moved to deposit all funds into their proper accounts as presented for the period ending May 9, 2017. Seconded by Trustee Schuster. A voice vote was taken.⁵

Expenditures: The Supervisor presented the following invoices for town board approval for the period ending May 9, 2017:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
General Town	\$53,271.98
Motion: Trustee Wisniewski	
Second: Trustee Slattery	
Roll Call: Ayes 5, Nays 0 ⁶	
General Assistance	\$12,653.14
Motion: Trustee Slattery	
Second: Trustee Wallace	
Roll Call: Ayes 5, Nays 0 ⁷	

⁵ The motion carried

⁶ Roll Call Ayes (5) Trustees Wisniewski, Wallace, Slattery, Schuster and Supervisor Vera

⁷ Roll Call Ayes (5) Trustees Wisniewski, Wallace, Slattery, Schuster and Supervisor Vera

Road and Bridge \$29,816.65

Motion: Trustee Wisniewski

Second: Trustee Schuster

Roll Call: Ayes 5, Nays 0⁸

Animal Control \$34,848.54

Motion: Trustee Wallace

Second: Trustee Slattery

Roll Call: Ayes 5, Nays 0⁹

Senior Fund \$60.00

Motion: Wallace

Second: Schuster

Roll Call: Ayes 5, Nays 0¹⁰

Certifications for all funds were passed unanimously.

Closed Session:

None

Adjournment:

Trustee Slattery moved to adjourn the town board meeting to May 23, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

Seconded by Trustee Wallace. A voice vote was taken.¹¹

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth Ann May

Clerk

⁸ Roll Call Ayes (5) Trustees Wisniewski, Wallace, Slattery, Schuster and Supervisor Vera

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¹⁰ Roll Call Ayes (5) Trustees Wisniewski, Wallace, Slattery, Schuster and Supervisor Vera

¹¹ The motion carried