

MCHENRY TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MINUTES
June 8, 2023

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF MCHENRY S.S.
TOWNSHIP OF MCHENRY

Supervisor Barla called the meeting to order in the McHenry Township Hall at the published and posted time of 7:00 pm with the Pledge of allegiance

Roll call:

Supervisor Barla	present
Trustee Macrito	present
Trustee Bindenagel	present
Trustee Shaver	present
Trustee Jaeger	present

Also attending the meeting was Administrator Macrito, Clerk Aylward and Road Commissioner Condon

Public Comment None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion for approval of the McHenry Township Regular Meeting Minutes on May 11, 2023.
Discussion and possible action by Supervisor Barla second by Trustee Macrito

Voice vote:

Supervisor Barla	aye
Trustee Shaver	aye
Trustee Jaeger	aye
Trustee Macrito	aye
Trustee Bindenagel	abstain

Four ayes one abstain Motion carries

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Motion for approval of receipts and bills for the Town Fund made by Trustee Jaeger, second by Trustee Jaeger

Total reimbursements to be approved	\$00.00
Total Bills to be approved	\$17,224.86
Total Bill paid prior to Audit	\$28,235.25
Total to be approved	\$45,460.11
Total Receipts	\$39,667.57

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Barla Aye
Trustee Macrito Aye
Trustee Bindenagel Aye
Trustee Jaeger Aye
Trustee Shaver Aye

All aye's - Motion carries

Motion for approval of receipts and bills for General Road and Bridge fund made by Trustee Jaeger second by Trustee Macrito

Total reimbursements to be approved	\$285.25
Total Bills to be approved	\$29,815.69
Total Bill paid prior to Audit	\$7,094.53
Total to be approved	\$37,195.47
Total Receipts	\$56,773.04

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Barla Aye
Trustee Macrito Aye
Trustee Bindenagel Aye
Trustee Jaeger Aye
Trustee Shaver Aye

All aye's - Motion carries

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Motion for approval of receipts and bills for Permanent Hard Road Fund made by Trustee Macrito second by Trustee Bindenagel

Total reimbursements to be approved	\$00.00
Total Bills to be approved	\$13,551.97
Total Bill paid prior to Audit	\$27,922.88
Total to be approved	\$41,474.85
Total Receipts	\$1,309.57

Roll call Vote:

Supervisor Barla Aye
Trustee Macrito Aye
Trustee Bindenagel Aye
Trustee Jaeger Aye
Trustee Shaver Aye
All aye's - Motion carries

Fund transfers - (none)

New Business

Motion for discussion on possible RC car/truck dirt track. Discussion and possible action by Trustee Shaver second by Supervisor Barla

Trustee Shaver stated that he is still waiting for an email to see if he can secure some donations, still looking for a place in the Township where this could be. Thought since the Road Commissioner Condon was here that he might have some suggestions. Road Commissioner Condon made a comment that he would be happy to help with the dirt track.

Motion, was made to table it until the next meeting by, Trustee Shaver second by Supervisor Barla

Voice vote:

All ayes Motion carries.

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Motion for discussion on Pickle ball courts. Discussion and possible action by Trustee Macrito second by Trustee Bindenagel

Trustee Macrito stated that he had talked to Superior Paving, talked to Dicks Sporting goods, and the other thing was the fencing, and he stated that he thought that Home Depot would help, but that might not happen until next spring. Supervisor Barla Stated that it was wonderful that he, Trustee Macrito, was out looking for funding, but who is going to do all the engineering and drawing of the plans, where is that money coming from? Road Commissioner Condon offered the Road District's help. Supervisor Barla stated that he was concerned about the ongoing cost of maintaining it. Is the Board willing to put in the budget the money to maintain this project?

Supervisor Barla made a Motion to table until we have more information, second by Trustee Macrito

Old Business

Motion for discussion on the recording of the public meetings. Discussion and possible action by Trustee Macrito second by Trustee Shaver

Administrator Macrito stated that the Dragon software would not work for what the clerk hoped it would.

Motion to end the pursuit of the Dragon Software and do what we can with what is available by Trustee Shaver second by Trustee Macrito.

All aye's - Motion Carries

Motion for Discussion of the ongoing Emergency Assistance. Discussion and possible action by Supervisor Barla second by Trustee Shaver

Attorney Militello explained the two parts of Emergency Assistance, (305 IL CS 5/6-10), a copy is available on request at any time. Attorney Militello went on to answer Trustee Macrito question on the guidelines. In addition, the question of who is responsible and that it would be the Supervisor (60 IL CS 1/70-50) Attorney Militello went on explaining the statute. Trustee Macrito had a few suggestions on expanding the program Attorney Militello stated that all the suggestions should be addressed and given to the Supervisor. Administrator Macrito added that the Board could bring suggestions at any time to the Supervisor. A very lengthy Discussion ensued between board members and the Attorney

Trustee Macrito made a Motion to kill this discussion on the Emergency Assistance, second by Trustee Shaver

Voice Vote:

All ayes - Motion carries.

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Motion for discussion on the elected official's salaries. Discussion and possible action by Supervisor Barla second by Trustee Macrito officials salaries.

Trustee Macrito stated that he had an idea but wasn't sure if it was legal. If, because of the salary cuts from the last board would it be legal if we, the Board, gave them a 10% bonus at the beginning of the year. Attorney Militello explained the legal way the Board could change the salaries. Road Commissioner Condon stated that none of our positions are guaranteed. Road Commissioner Condon thanked Trustee Macrito for the kind suggestion but would not recommend that it be adopted in the next election. Supervisor Barla noted that the Board all received a work sheet, it's not complete there are still some holes in it. Supervisor Barla went on looking at our budget is this year and what the salaries were before they were cut in half, if you were to put those salaries on top of our budget what would we have to levy for on top of that and what projects we are going to have to levy for. Supervisor Barla also stated that as Supervisor I do not want to cut into our reserves we are at the rock bottom. Also as Supervisor, I will not put out there any referendum to borrow any money.

Motion to continue the Discussion at a future date, second by Trustee Bindenagel

Voice vote:

All aye's - Motion carries.

Proposed agenda items for the next monthly board meeting – None

Supervisors' Report - See packet

Assessors' Report - See packet

Highway Commissioners' Report - See packet

Executive Session – (none)

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BOARD MEMBERS COMMENT-

Trustee Macrito Discuss parking during Ball games. Supervisor Barla asked Trustee Macrito for any suggestions The Salvation Army park on the other side. Administrator Macrito corrected Trustee Macrito it is not the Salvation Army its Catholic Charity's

Trustee Jaeger stated that he bought two hundred harmonicas and is going to give them to the Senior Center and teach them how to use them. He explained how it could benefit them with breathing disorders such as COPD

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Bindenagel second, by Trustee Macrito
All aye's - Motion carries @ 8:05pm

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Danielle Aylward McHenry Township Clerk

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