

MCHENRY TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MINUTES August 9, 2018

STATE OF ILLINOIS

**COUNTY OF MCHENRY S.S.
TOWNSHIP OF MCHENRY**

REVISED

**BOARD MEETING
MINUTES,
August 9, 2018**

Supervisor Adams called the meeting to order in the McHenry Township Hall at the published and posted time of 7:00 pm with the Presentation of the colors and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Anderson here, Adams here, Rakestraw here, Wojewski here.

Also attending the meeting was Clerk Aylward, Attorney Militello, Assessor Mahady, Road Commissioner Condon, Administrator Macrito and 27 Public.

Blue Star Banner Presentation – Supervisor Adams read the Blue Star Banner Resolution. The women of Beta Sigma Phi and the Rolling Thunder Chapter 2 presented banners, coins and plaques to Mr. & Mrs. Ken Eldridge parents of PFC Corel Eldridge, U.S. Army and Arthur & Nancy Dunham parents of MECPO Patrick John Dunham, U.S. Navy.

Public Comment

Brendan Slovacek – McHenry, IL – Spoke in regards to the Road commissioner’s job and thanked Mr. Jim Condon for a job well done. He also spoke in regards to the job McHenry Township does for the unincorporated areas and that the McHenry Township is doing a great job. He also stated that he believes a cost study should be done.

Dorthea King – McHenry, IL – Spoke in regards to the drainage issues and wanted to know who is responsible for addressing these problems.

Robert Beltran – McHenry, IL - Spoke in regards to the referendum that is to be on the November 2018 ballot. He stated that the McHenry Township was given a letter of demand to ask the board to comply with the directive of the electors at the annual meeting to have a cost study done before going forward, if this is not addressed the electors will go forward with an injunction.

Leon VanEvery – Ringwood, IL – Spoke in regards to the pay for Highway Commissioner, how the pay for the Highway Commissioner effects the real estate taxes by comparing the current pay to a can of peanuts. He also stated that from his 10years of experience as Highway Commissioner that McHenry Township is getting a great deal with the current Highway Commissioner having an engineering degree. He also stated that now that the board has lowered the pay of the Highway Commissioner, the real estate tax savings would not even allow the McHenry Township electors to be able to afford a small can of peanuts. He proceeded to say nuts to the board and gave the can to the board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A.) Regular McHenry Township Board Meeting minutes held on July 12, 2018.**
- Discussion, motion for approval of minutes.**
- Motion by Trustee Anderson, Second by Rakestraw
- Voice Vote: Anderson aye, Rakestraw aye, Wojewski aye, Adams aye
- All Ayes, 0 Nays - **Motion Carries**

Review of Executive Session Minutes - none taken

Motion for approval of receipts and bills for the Town Fund

Trustee Anderson Motion to approve receipts and pay bills of the Town Fund, second by Trustee Wojewski.

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| Total reimbursements to be approved | \$ 0.00 | |
| Total Bills to be approved | \$ 36,135.91 | |
| Total Bill paid prior to Audit | \$ 44,765.32 | |
| Total to be approved | \$ 80,901.23 | |
| Total Receipts | \$ 32,324.40 | |

Voice Vote Anderson aye, Adams aye, Rakestraw aye, Wojewski aye
 All aye's - **Motion carries**

Motion for approval of receipts and bills for General Road and Bridge fund

Trustee Rakestraw Motion to approve receipts and pay bills of the General Road and Bridge Fund, second by Trustee Anderson.

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| Total reimbursements to be approved | \$ 0.00 | |
| Total Bills to be approved | \$ 167,808.70 | |
| Total Bill paid prior to Audit | \$ 15,367.52 | |
| Total to be approved | \$ 183,176.22 | |
| Total Receipts | \$ 1,922.86 | |

Voice Vote Anderson aye, Adams aye, Rakestraw aye Wojewski aye
All aye's - **Motion carries**

Motion for approval of receipts and bills for Permanent Hard Road Fund

Trustee Wojewski Motioned to approve the receipts and pay the bills of the Permanent Hard Road Fund, second by Trustee Rakestraw

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| Total reimbursements to be approved | \$ 00.00 | |
| Total Bills to be approved | \$ 12,319.64 | |
| Total Bill paid prior to Audit | \$ 23,404.35 | |
| Total to be approved | \$ 35,723.99 | |
| Total Receipts | \$ 691.90 | |

Voice Vote Anderson aye, Adams aye, Rakestraw aye, Wojewski aye
All aye's - **Motion carries**

Fund transfers (if necessary)

There are no fund transfers at this time.

New Business

- A. Consideration on sending a request to the McHenry County Board requesting that they conduct a cost study to determine the financial outcomes of consolidating the McHenry County Townships from 17 to 8 or less and sharing the cost with all townships. Discussion, Motion for approval and possible action.**

Discussion ensued – Trustee Anderson asked that we move forward on this issue and would share in the cost with the county. Trustee Rakestraw stated that this falls into the letters sent to the surrounding townships. Supervisor Adams stated he would make calls to the surrounding townships to follow up on the letters and report to the board at the next meeting.

Motion to approve – None at this time

- B. The adoption of a McHenry Township Noxious Weed Ordinance. McHenry County Department of Health input by Patricia Nomm, Director of Environmental Health. Review of proposed McHenry Township Noxious Weed Ordinance, Discussion, Motion for approval and possible action**

Discussion ensued – Patricia Nomm, Direct of Environmental Health from the McHenry County Health Department explained the county's statutory requirement on noxious weeds, not high uncut grass. Supervisor Adams explained the Ordinance that the township was presenting and the process. Trustee Anderson asked to table so he could do more research.

Motion to approve - Trustee Rakestraw, second by Wojewski

Voice vote: Anderson nay, Wojewski aye, Rakestraw aye, Adams aye.

3 ayes, 1 nay - **Motion carries**

**C. Review of the process of filling the vacancy of Trustee explanation.
Discussion**

Discussion ensued – Attorney Militello explained the process for filling the vacancy. The board decided to agree on two dates to interview potential candidates, as follows Monday August 20 and Thursday August 23rd, 2018. Supervisor Adams will contact the candidates and let the board know which date will work best. The six candidates to be contacted are, Gary Barla, John Macrito, Mark Jaeger and Neal Schepler, which were recommended by the McHenry Township Republican Central committee. Additional candidates are Joanne Nuemann and Steve Verr.

D. Conducting a McHenry Township Cost Study regarding the elimination of the McHenry Township Road District as requested by the electors at the Annual Meeting. Discussion, Motion for approval and possible action

Discussion ensued – Supervisor Adams explained this item is back on the agenda as numerous requests from the electors have been made. The board had no discussion.

Motion to approve – None at this time

Voice vote:

Proposed Agenda Items for Next Meeting

A. Agenda items for next monthly meeting. Motion to include on the next month's meeting agenda.

Trustee Anderson asked to have added to the agenda discussion in regards to changing the state law in regards to holding multiple elected positions simultaneously. Trustee Rakestraw agreed to have this added to the agenda.

Supervisor's Report See attached

Assessor's Report See attached

Highway Commissioner's Report See attached

Executive Session – Supervisor Adams made the motion to move to executive session in regards to litigation from Robert Beltran and other parties attached to litigation, second by Anderson

Voice Vote: All ayes No Nays **Motion carries**

Supervisor Adams made a motion to reconvene the regular board meeting at 9:30pm, second by Trustee Anderson

Voice Vote: All ayes No Nays **Motion carries**

BOARD MEMBERS COMMENT-

None

PUBLIC COMMENT-

John Macrito –McHenry, IL – Stated that at the annual meeting it was decided 76 to 0 to do a study the board should go ahead and do the study and let the electors know whether it will save money or not. He stated that the study does not have to cost money by using a group of professional volunteers.

Steve Verr – called not present

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn - at 9:55 pm made by Trustee Anderson, second by Rakestraw.
All in Favor 4 ayes, 0 Nays – **Motion carries**

DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 13, 2018 - McHenry Township Monthly Board Meeting @ 7PM in McHenry Township Hall.



Daniel R. Aylward, McHenry Township Clerk

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