

Plainfield Township Board of Trustees Minutes from April 08, 2009

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
WILL COUNTY) **S.S. Approved Minutes**
TOWN OF PLAINFIELD)

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES met at the Office of Town Clerk at 6:05 p.m. on April 8, 2009.

PRESENT:

John Argodelis	Supervisor
Ken McCafferty	Town Trustee
Paul Pesavento	Town Trustee
Chuck Willard	Town Trustee

ABSENT:

Kim Sandstrom	Town Trustee
Richard Martin	Assessor

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Anita Gerardy	Clerk
Steve Cammack	Tax Collector
Sam Reichert	Highway Commissioner

OTHERS PRESENT:

Erin Kjlach	Deputy Assessor
Monika McMillen	Assistant Administrator

John Argodelis acting as chairman and Anita Gerardy acting as clerk, the following official business was transacted:

- I. Meeting April 8, 2009 was called to order at 6:05 p.m.**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer**
Pledge of Allegiance and prayer were said.
- III. Roll Call for Quorum:** John Argodelis –Present, Paul Pesavento –Present, Chuck Willard Present, Ken McCafferty –Present, Kim Sandstrom- Absent.
- IV. Approval of Agenda**
A motion to approve the agenda was made by Ken McCafferty, seconded by Chuck Willard. Voice vote taken. Motion carries.
- V. Approval of minutes from previous meeting March 11, 2009** was made by Ken McCafferty, seconded by Paul Pesavento. Voice vote taken. Motion carries.
- VI. SUPERVISOR’S REPORT:**
 - A. PTSO, Judy Siekerman- Donation Request Discussion:** A motion to donate \$500.00 to Plainfield High School-Central Campus was made by Ken McCafferty, seconded by Chuck

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Willard. Roll call taken: Ken McCafferty-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, Paul Pesavento-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion Carries.

- B. IMRF Military Benefits Discussion:** After reviewing the memo by Andi French and after a brief discussion, the board voted against approving a Military benefit package. Voice Vote taken, all ayes, motion carries.
- C. ACN Video Phone Proposal, Jim Goodson - Discussion:** The board asked Monika McMillen to contact AT&T regarding a counter offer to the ACN proposal. She will update the board at the May meeting.
- D. Call One Phone Service:** Call One has been put on holding pending the board's decision regarding CAN and AT&T.
- E. Lawn Maintenance Proposal, Mark Angelus:** A motion was made by Paul Pesavento, seconded by Chuck Willard to accept the proposal from Mark Angelus in the amount of \$135.00 for the building perimeter (from April thru November) and \$300.00 for the back lot to the Expressway as needed (3-4 times). Roll call taken: Paul Pesavento-Aye, Ken McCafferty-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.
- F. Meeting Room Improvements:** The board reviewed three proposals for painting the Community Meeting Room. A motion to accept Painter Ready was made by Chuck Willard, seconded by Paul Pesavento. Roll call taken: Paul Pesavento-Aye, Ken McCafferty-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.
- G. Executive Session:** The board will meet after the general session has adjourned.

VII. Reports:

- A. Building Issues:** Ms. McMillen presented the board with a written report. She advised the board that the hardware on the overhead doors needs to be replaced. The doors are high quality, but the hardware needs to be upgraded. Mr. Argoudelis consulted with Mr. Reichert regarding the changing of the hardware. Mr. Reichert stated that the highway department will accept the financial responsibility of the replacement.
- B. Disabilities:** Mr. Pesavento advised the board that the bowling party was a success.
- C. Emergency Management Coordinator:** Mr. Willard stated he is completing more of the state certifications. The City of Joliet has decided that it is no longer beneficial for them to continue funding the river gauge in Shorewood which they have done for the past 10 to 12 years. Due to the fire at the Empress Casino, revenue has been drastically reduced and the Commander has approached Mr. Willard for financial assistance with the cost. Mr. Willard stated that he will approach the board in a month or two for assistance with this project, which is very beneficial to this area since it assists in tracking the flooding pattern. Mr. Willard will contact other communities as well to seek assist with the cost of approximately \$4,500.00 a year. Mr. Willard was asked if moving the gauge to a new location would be considered. He stated that Electric Park would be an ideal location for the gauge; however, it would cost approximately \$50,000.00 to move it. He is working on a new proposal.

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D. Food Pantry: **No Report**

E. Community Garden Plots: Garden is too wet to get the plots ready. Monika will keep the residents informed as to when the garden plots will be ready and when they can sign up. Plot sizes are 20x30 The cost to Senior residents \$20.00, residents \$25.00 to Senior non-residents, \$30.00 and non-residents \$35.00.

F. "Plainfield Presents": **No Report**

G. Senior Coordinator: **No Report**

I. Senior Shuttle Bus: **Written Report**

J. Youth: Still trying to connect with the students. Ken McCafferty suggested contacting the two students that were so helpful with the election.

VIII. Elected Officials Report:

A. Assessor: Eric Kljaich stated that the county office sent informational brochures to residents to help clear up confusion regarding the assessment of properties.

B. Clerk: **No Report**

C. Highway Commissioner: **Written Report**

D. Trustee Reports: **No Reports**

E. Tax Collector: Mr. Cammack requested a list of roads that are safe and can be adopted and maintained. Mr. Reichert will give him this list by the next meeting.

IX. Approval of Bills:

Total General Town Fund: A motion to approve General Town Fund (3/12/09 to 3/31/09) for \$24,584.09 was made by Ken McCafferty, seconded by Chuck Willard. Roll call taken: Paul Pesavento -Aye, Ken McCafferty - Aye, Chuck Willard -Aye, John Argoudelis - Aye. Motion carries. Motion to approve General Town Fund (4/01/09 to 4/08/09) for \$53,975.65 was made by Paul Pesavento, seconded by Ken McCafferty. Roll call taken: Paul Pesavento -Aye, Ken McCafferty-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, John Argoudelis- Aye. Motion carries.

Total Road and Bridge: A motion to approve the Total Road and Bridge for (3/12/09 to 3/31/09) in the amount of \$14,122.32 was made by Ken McCafferty, seconded by Chuck Willard. Roll call taken: Paul Pesavento - Aye, Ken McCafferty - Aye, Chuck Willard - Aye, John Argoudelis - Aye. Motion carries. A motion to approve the Total Road and Bridge for (4/04/09 to 4/08/09) in the amount of \$11,351.52 was made by Paul Pesavento, seconded by Ken McCafferty. Roll call taken: Paul Pesavento -Aye, Ken McCafferty-Aye, Chuck Willard -Aye, John Argoudelis -Aye. Motion carries.

Total County Joint Bridge: A motion to approve the Total County Joint Bridge (3/12/09 to 3/31/09) in the amount of \$3,623.67 was made by Ken McCafferty, seconded by Chuck Willard.

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Roll call taken: Paul Pesavento –Aye, Ken McCafferty –Aye, Chuck Willard –Aye, John Argoudelis –Aye. Motion carries.

IX. Public Comments: Mr. Joe Kordik congratulated the board on winning the election. He asked that the board promote PTRO to all residents. He suggested the Township should print a door hanger with everyone’s name on, position and phone number. He also suggested that we publish our meetings not only in the Enterprise, but the Sun and the Advantage.

XI. Announcements: **None**

XII. Executive Session: A motion to go out of the regular town meeting at 7:25 was made by Chuck Willard, seconded by Paul Pesavento. Voice Vote taken: motion carries.
A motion to come out of the Executive session at 7:29 p.m. was made by Paul Pesavento, seconded by Ken McCafferty. Voice vote taken, motion carries.
A motion to go back into the General Town Meeting was made by Paul Pesavento, seconded by Ken McCafferty, voice vote taken. Motion carries.
7:29 p.m. The board discussed a pay increase for Administrative Assistant, Monika McMillen. A motion was made by Paul Pesavento to give her a \$1.00 an hour increase, retro active to her anniversary date, March 21, 2009, seconded by Chuck Willard. Roll call taken: Paul Pesavento-Aye, Ken McCafferty-Aye, Chuck Willard – Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.

XII. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the Plainfield Township General Meeting at 7:30 P.M. was made by Chuck Willard, seconded by Ken McCafferty. Voice vote taken, all ayes, motion carries.

Anita Gerardy Town Clerk

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Plainfield Guests

Jim Goodson 15012 S. Illinois Street, Plfd. Il.

Judy Siekerman 1715 Corregidre Street, Joliet, Il.

Joe Kordik 1023 Mystic Dr. Plfd. Il.