

Plainfield Township Board of Trustees Minutes from April 14, 2010

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

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES met at the Office of the Town Clerk at 6:00 p.m. on April 14, 2010.

PRESENT:

John Argoudelis	Supervisor
Ken McCafferty	Town Trustee
Tony Fremarek	Town Trustee
Steve Cammack	Town Trustee
Chuck Willard	Town Trustee

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Matthew Starr	Tax Collector
Anita Gerardy	Town Clerk
Sam Reichert	Highway Commissioner

OTHERS PRESENT:

Andi French	Administrator
Monika McMillen	Administrative Assistant
Mary Domanus	Highway Administrator

John Argoudelis acting as chairman and Anita Gerardy as Clerk, the following official business was transacted:

- I. Meeting April 14, 2010** was called to order at **6:06 p.m.**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer**
Pledge of Allegiance and prayer were said.
- III. Roll Call for Quorum:** Ken McCafferty –Present; Chuck Willard –Present; Steve Cammack – Present; Tony Fremarek-Present; John Argoudelis –Present.
- IV. Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda was made by Tony Fremarek, seconded by Ken McCafferty. Voice vote taken. Motion carries.
- V. Approval of Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes, with an amendment, from the meeting February 10, 2010 was made by Ken McCafferty, seconded by Steve Cammack. Voice vote taken. Motion carries.

VI. Supervisor’s Report:

A. Casa of Will County, Rita Facchina-Donation Request: Casa of Will County is an organization that works with abused and neglected children. Last year, Casa helped nine children from Plainfield. Casa investigates what is in the best interest of the child/children and make their recommendations to the court/public defender. This process may go on for four to five years. A motion to donate \$1,000.00 to Casa of Will County was made by Ken McCafferty, seconded by Tony Fremarek. Roll call taken: Ken McCafferty-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, Tony Fremarek-Aye, Steve Cammack-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.

Plainfield Township Board of Trustees Minutes from April 14, 2010

B. Joliet Area Community Hospice Corporation, Rich Kasper-Donation Request: Mr. Kasper provided the mission statement and the purpose of Joliet Area Community Hospice. He stated the mission of the Joliet Hospice is to provide comprehensive, holistic, community based support services and care for terminally ill persons and their caregivers and loved ones. The purpose is to provide care to people with life-limiting illnesses, support caregivers and offers bereavement programs. JACH offers pediatric and palliative care for the youngest hospice patients, ages 0 to 21. The two programs help the young people live their days in comfort and with dignity. The hospice support continues for at least a year after the death of a loved one. A motion was made by Ken McCafferty to donate \$1,000.00 to Joliet Area Community Hospice Corporation, seconded by Tony Fremarek. Roll call taken: Ken McCafferty-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, Steve Cammack-Aye, Tony Fremarek-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.

C. Highway and Food Pantry Leases: Mr. Argoudelis stated not much progress has been made on the Highway and Food Pantry leases and would like a motion to table this to the May meeting. Mr. McCafferty made a motion to table the discussion to the May meeting, seconded by Tony Fremarek. Voice vote taken. Motion carries.

D. Meeting Room Policy: Mr. Fremarek stated he has not received suggestions from the board and suggested the Policy be tabled to the May meeting.

E. Lawn Maintenance: Ms. Mc Millen received three quotes for lawn maintenance. After reviewing the three quotes, a motion was made by Tony Fremarek to accept a bid by Green-Up, seconded by Steve Cammack. Roll call taken: Ken McCafferty-Aye, Tony Fremarek-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, Steve Cammack-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.

F. E-Mail Highway Department: Mr. Argoudelis stated the new website has the Highway Department listed separately from the Township. The Highway Department needs an e-mail address separate from the general Township address. Residents send their e-mail requests to the general e-mail address, where Ms. McMillen retrieves the messages, e-mails a response to the resident and gives the messages to Mary Domanus, Highway Department Administrator. Mr. Fremarek suggested having RWK set up an auto response messaging system which will allow the residents several options to follow. Mr. Reichert was in agreement with the solution to allow RWK to set up an auto response system. Mr. Fremarek will work with Mary Domanus and RWK to complete the order.

G. E-Mail Policy for the Township: Mr. Argoudelis advised the board there is no model policy to follow so the board will be able to set their own policy. Mr. McCafferty will head up a committee on writing an e-mail policy with the help of Mr. Fremarek. The committee will report back to the board at the May meeting with their recommendations.

H. Extra Payment on Building/Senior Center Discussion: Mr. Argoudelis advised the board and residents that once again the Township has a surplus of \$125,000.00 at the end of the 2009 fiscal year. His recommendation is to put the surplus money into the Senior Center line item for the present time. In the event the Senior Center project does not go forward, the \$125,000.00 would then be paid against the existing loan. Mr. Argoudelis entertained a motion to put the excess money in the Senior Center project line item for now. A motion was made by Mr. Willard to put the money in the Senior Center line item, with the stipulation that if the Senior Center Expansion does not go through, the money will be used to pay an additional \$125,000.00 on the building loan seconded by Tony Fremarek. Roll call taken: Mr. McCafferty-Aye, Mr. Fremarek-Aye, Mr. Willard-Aye, Mr. Cammack-Aye, Mr. Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.

Plainfield Township Board of Trustees Minutes from April 14, 2010

VII. Reports

A. Building Issues:

Written Report

Ms. McMillen stated the building has had some exterior electrical issues. She is working with Patriot Electric who figured out that all sixteen light poles were wired incorrectly. Mr. Argoudelis has been in touch with the Forest Preserve District and they have agreed to share the expense of getting the lights fixed.

B. Community Garden Plots: Ms. McMillen stated she has contacted all the gardeners. The gardens have not been disked as yet. Ms. McMillen will call the contractor and set a date for the disking and soil spread.

C. Disabilities Committee:

Written Report/Newspaper Article

Mr. Cammack advised the board of the intension of the members of the Disabilities Committee to attend an event, June 27th and June 28th that is being presented by IAMC (Illinois Association of Microboards and Cooperatives). IAMC presented this program at the March disabilities meeting. The event is a building foundation and community building, and is for families with disabilities to network to get information on how to bring programs and services to their communities. The event is in Bloomington, Illinois, and several members have entertained that possibility of attending the June 28th presentation. The meeting is a seven hour day, including sessions, breakfast and lunch. Cost for the day session is \$50.00 per person. The volunteers have asked if the Disability Committee, would consider purchasing admission for each one of them, and they would provide their own transportation and any expenses outside of the event. A motion was made by Tony Fremarek to purchase admission for the event and to pay standard mileage rate, seconded by Ken McCafferty. Roll call taken: Tony Fremarek- Aye, Ken McCafferty- Aye, Steve Cammack-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.

D. Emergency Management:

No Report

E. Flooding: Mr. Argoudelis reported he has nothing new to report, but continues to work with Judy Biggert's office.

Mr. Argoudelis asked the residents in attendance, Mr. and Mrs. Eliseo Garcia to explain what flooding issues they are experiencing and their address. Mr. Argoudelis asked Mr. Reichert to address their flooding issues. Mr. & Mrs. Garcia reside on the corner of Pinecrest and Westgate. Mr. Reichert is aware of the culvert problem in their area, and advised the Garcia's the culvert on Pinecrest and Westgate will be the first culvert the highway department will be correcting this year. His department advised the residents last year, that the culvert in their subdivision would be the first culvert repaired in 2010.

Mr. Reichert also advised the board that after discussions with TOI and permission from Bruce Gould, Will County Engineer, the County Joint Bridge Fund has been closed and all monies transferred to the Road and Bridge Money Market Account for use on the Renwick Road Bridge project.

F. Food Pantry: Mr. Argoudelis stated Ms. McMillen is working on contacting the Food Pantry Board members to set up a meeting date.

G. Plainfield Presents: Mr. McCafferty suggested "*Plainfield Presents*" be removed from the agenda. The program has not attracted the attention that was originally predicted. Mr. Argoudelis stated "*Plainfield Presents*" will be removed from the agenda.

H. Senior Coordinator:

Written Report

I. Senior Shuttle Bus:

Written Report

J. Youth:

Written Report

Mr. Starr made a motion to amend his report on the Face Book page section where it states 55 fans it should now read 67 fans.

Plainfield Township Board of Trustees Minutes from April 14, 2010

VIII. Elected Officials Report:

- A. Assessor's Office:** **Written Report**
- B. Clerk:** **No Report**
- C. Highway Commissioner:** **Written Report**
- D. Trustee Reports:**
 - Mr. McCafferty** **No Report**
 - Mr. Willard** **No Report**
 - Mr. Fremarek:** Mr. Fremarek advised the board he will attend a meeting in Springfield for the Township Officials of Illinois day on Tuesday April 20th.
 - Mr. Cammack:** Mr. Cammack reported the brochures should be ready to be mailed the middle of next week (week of the April 12th).
- E. Tax Collector:** **No Report**

IX. Approval of Bills:

General Town Fund: A motion to approve the *General Town Fund (3/11/10 to 3/31/10)* in the amount of **\$27, 515.60** by Tony Fremarek, seconded by Ken McCafferty. Roll call taken: Tony Fremarek– Aye, Steve Cammack-Aye, Ken McCafferty-Aye-Chuck Willard-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.

General Town Fund: A motion to approve the *General Town Fund (4/01/10- to 4/14/10)* in the amount of \$47,692.37 was made by Tony Fremarek, seconded by Ken McCafferty. Roll call taken: Tony Fremarek-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, Ken McCafferty-Aye, Steve Cammack-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.

Road and Bridge: A motion to approve the *Road and Bridge Fund (3/11/10 to 3/31/10)* in the amount of **\$318,528.43** was made by Tony Fremarek, seconded by Chuck Willard. Roll call taken: Tony Fremarek-Aye, Steve Cammack-Aye, Ken McCafferty-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.

Road and Bridge: A motion to approve the *Road and Bridge Fund (4/01/10 to 4/14/10)* in the amount of \$45,821.77 was made by Ken McCafferty seconded by Tony Fremarek. Roll call taken: Tony Fremarek-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, Steve Cammack-Aye, Ken McCafferty-Aye, John Argoudelis-Aye. Motion carries.

County Joint Bridge: A motion to approve the *County Joint Bridge Fund(3/11/10-3/31/10)* in the amount of **\$271,923.00** was made by Tony Fremarek, seconded by Steve Cammack. Roll call taken: Steve Cammack-Aye, Tony Fremarek-Aye, Ken McCafferty-Aye, Chuck Willard-Aye, John Argoudelis,-Aye. Motion carries.

- X. Public Comments:** Ilona Vaughn, resident of Plainfield Township residing at 3502 Indian Head Lane, Joliet questioned whether or not a stop sign would be installed at the Renwick Road and the Frontage Road construction site. Mr. Argoudelis stated Renwick is a county road and they would be responsible for this issue.

- XI. Announcements:** **None**

XII. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the Plainfield Township General Meeting at 7:30 P.M. was made by Ken McCafferty seconded by Tony Fremarek. Voice vote taken: Motion carries.

Anita Gerardy Town Clerk

Plainfield Township Board of Trustees Minutes from April 14, 2010

Residents in attendance:

Alyssa Caron - Lewis University Student

Pat Cork - Food Pantry Volunteer

Mary Dickerson - Food Pantry Volunteer