

Session # 918-15

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board of Trustees, Town of Worth, held at the Worth Township Town Hall, 11601 S Pulaski, Alsip, Illinois, 60803 Thursday, March 26, 2015 7:30 P.M.

Supervisor Kevin Hughes called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Sue Sortino led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Katherine Elwood called the roll and the following board members were present: Trustee Patrick Hanlon, Trustee Richard Lewandowski, Trustee Theresa Roche, and Supervisor Kevin Hughes. Trustee Michael Mahoney was absent with notification.

Also present: Attorney Amber Munday, Jenny Panico, Caryn DeBoer, Maureen Ryan, June Maddrell, Sue Sortino, John O'Sullivan, Robert Vogeltanz, Joseph Murray, Bryan Hahlbeck of Civic Plus, and David Jelonek of GW & Associates

MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from Session #916-15, Public Hearing, Thursday, February 26, 2015

Motion made by Trustee Hanlon, seconded by Trustee Roche, to approve the minutes from Session #916-15, Public Hearing, Thursday, February 26, 2015

All ayes: Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes from Session #917-15, Special Meeting, Saturday, February 28, 2015

Motion made by Trustee Hanlon, seconded by Trustee Roche, to approve the minutes from Session #917-15, Special Meeting, Saturday, February 28, 2015.

All ayes: Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion about hiring an auditor to perform Fiscal Year 2014-15 audit, with possible action to be taken

Motion made by Trustee Hanlon, seconded by Trustee Roche, to hire G & W Associates, PC to perform our Fiscal Year 2014-2015 audit.

All ayes; Motion carried.

Discussion regarding the hiring of two counselors in the Youth Service Bureau, with possible action to be taken

Trustee Roche stated it was necessary to hire two counselors to fill the vacancies in the Youth Service Bureau.

Motion made by Trustee Roche, seconded by Trustee Hanlon, to hire two counselors, as presented, in the Youth Service Bureau, upon the completion and approval of their background checks.

All ayes; Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve agenda for the 2015 Annual Town Meeting to be held on April 14, 2015

Motion made by Trustee Roche, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski, to approve the agenda for the 2015 Annual Town Meeting, as presented.

All ayes; Motion carried.

Motion to Declare Broken/Outdated Property Surplus

Motion made by Trustee Hanlon, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski to declare broken/outdated property surplus and authorize the Supervisor to approve the disposal of the items that are beyond repair and auction off any salvageable items.

All ayes; Motion carried.

Motion to approve proposal for electrical work (replacing 7 existing wall packs)

Motion made by Supervisor Hughes, seconded by Trustee Hanlon, to table this agenda item until the April board meeting when more competitive bids are received and reviewed.

All ayes; Motion carried.

Discussion regarding going out to bid for cleaning service with possible action to be taken

The Board agreed to proceed with the public bidding process for cleaning service contract.

Discussion regarding the hiring of two nurses in the Clinic, with possible action to be taken

Clerk Elwood stated that two of our nurses in the Clinic will be retiring, one on May 1, 2015, and one on June 1, 2015. She stated it will be necessary to hire two nurses to fill these vacancies.

Motion made by Trustee Hanlon, seconded by Trustee Roche is hire two nurses in the Clinic, as presented, with one starting on May 1, 2015 and the other on June 1, 2015, upon completion and approval of their background checks.

All ayes; Motion carried.

Discussion regarding the sale of our 15-passenger vehicle, with possible action to be taken

Motion made by Trustee Hanlon, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski, to table this agenda item until the August board meeting.

All ayes; Motion carried.

Discussion regarding the purchase of a new website, with possible action to be taken

Bryan Hahlbeck of Civic Plus presented a proposal regarding the purchase of a new website redesign and implementation of a web content management system for the township. The board discussed his proposal and thanked him for his presentation. Supervisor Hughes stated he would get back to him upon further board review of his proposal.

Discussion regarding the Lenon Wisdom Memorial Spelling Bee

Trustee Roche stated that the Spelling Bee will be held on Friday, April 17, 2015. She stated that they were looking for help for this event and asked the board members if they would be interested in participating. Trustee Hanlon stated that he would be attending as well as making a cash donation to help fund the event.

REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Supervisor Hughes reported that the Worth Township Foundation is now an officially registered not-for-profit corporation. He stated that there are a few more things that need to be completed such as registering with the Attorney General as a charitable organization, filing for tax exempt status and having a meeting with the Board of Directors to adopt bylaws. Supervisor Hughes stated that this will take some time but he will keep the board updated. Supervisor Hughes stated that we have submitted our CDBG application for an emergency fire exit in the Senior Room. He stated that if granted, this emergency fire exit will be wired to the alarm company and the fire department. He further stated that the Alsip Fire Department came out and looked over the project area and made suggestions, which was followed by a letter of recommendation on our behalf, which was included in the application. Supervisor Hughes extended his sympathy to the family of Lorraine Wisdom (widow of Lenon Wisdom) whom our Spelling Bee is named after. Supervisor Hughes reported that starting at the end of April there will be quarterly staff meetings here at the township to open the lines of communication. He also reminded everyone that the Student of the Quarter election is coming up soon.

Clerk Elwood stated that her office was still very busy with passport acceptance. She reported that the township will be having their 2nd Worth Township Senior Info Day in a couple of weeks. She extended her thanks to the entire staff for handling the medical emergency involving one of our seniors last week in a professional manner.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Munday reported that she would be available to answer any questions regarding the Tax Objections that were filed in 2013.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

None

PUBLIC/STAFF PARTICIPATION

None

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Hughes reported that he received thank you notes from two of our residents regarding the outstanding service they received from our mini-bus drivers as well as our Assessor's office.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion made by Trustee Hanlon, seconded by Trustee Roche to waive the reading of the Treasurer's report and pay the bills, as presented.

All ayes: Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Statutory Purpose(s) of Executive Session: for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)

Supervisor Hughes asked for a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:36 p.m.

Motion made by Trustee Roche, seconded by Trustee Hanlon, to move into Executive Session.

All ayes; Motion carried.

POSSIBLE FINAL ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Supervisor Hughes reconvened the regular board meeting at 8:55 p.m.

No action was taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Trustee Hanlon, seconded by Trustee Roche, to adjourn this meeting at 8:56 p.m.

All ayes: Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Clerk Katherine A. Elwood