

**MINUTES**  
**VERNON TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**AUGUST 8, 2018**

STATE OF ILLINOIS,

Lake County,

Town of VERNON,

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THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the office of the Town Clerk at 7:00 P.M. on August 8, 2018

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

<u>Daniel Didech,</u>	<u>Township Supervisor</u>
<u>Barbara Barnabee,</u>	<u>Township Clerk</u>
<u>Roger Addelson, Jonathan Altenberg</u>	<u>Township Trustee</u>
<u>Philip Hirsh,</u>	<u>Township Trustee</u>
<u>Gary Raupp,</u>	<u>Township Assessor</u>
<u>Michael Lofstrom,</u>	<u>Township Highway Commissioner</u>
<u>Ann Williams</u>	<u>Attorney</u>

Supervisor Didech acting as Chairman and Mrs. Barnabee as clerk the following business was conducted:

**9A. A Resolution Supporting Execution of and Compliance with Environmental Regulations and Laws For the Foxconn Development In The Des Plaines River Watershed for Vernon Township, Lake County, IL**

It was moved by Trustee Altenberg and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the above ordinance as presented (copy on file)

Before a vote was called there was discussion as to the purpose of the resolution:

Jake Leahy gave a short presentation on the Foxconn initiative in Wisconsin.

He would like the Board to pass the resolution to help in denouncing the actions of Foxconn.

The Board discussed the resolution with the following:

Trustee Hirsh feels to pass the resolution without firm action is of no value. The resolution is ceremonial and will not make any difference to push Wisconsin to act differently.

Trustee Addelson feels the resolution will at least send a message that the township is against any action Foxconn is taking. The resolution is a good first step.

Trustee Altenberg said a letter to the Governor of Wisconsin should be considered. All local governments should have a consortium for further discussion and action on this subject.

Roll call vote:

Trustee Addelson, aye

Trustee Altenberg, aye

Trustee Broad, absent

Trustee Hirsh, nay

Supervisor Didech, aye Resolution passed by a majority.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

No action

**REPORTS**

**Supervisor - Daniel Didech**

Supervisor Didech reported:

1. He attended a County Board meeting and Woodbine Circle project was not on the agenda. The township will continue to try to force the county to do more environmental studies of that area. He feels the county does not care what the residents of the township want.

**Clerk - Barbara Barnabee**

1. No report

**Highway Commissioner - Michael Lofstrom**

Highway Commissioner Lofstrom reported:

1. Krisview cut-through has become a traffic problem again. He is looking into more stop signs and will work with Buffalo Grove Police and the county before any action is taken. The Board discussed some ideas that Commissioner Lofstrom could implement i.e.: traffic study, extra police, professional engineering study, etc.
2. The monthly Highway Commissioner's meeting will be held on August 23 at the camp building.
3. His department is working on ditch work in Woodbine Circle.

**Assessor - Gary Raupp**

Assessor Raupp reported:

1. The assessment notices are in the mail.
2. September 4 is the last day for filing a complaint. There have been 211 complaints thus far. This is down from last year.
3. Sandy Cymerman retired which makes his office shorthanded.
4. His department is getting ready for the quadrennial process.
5. Values of larger homes are down.

**Trustee Addelson**

No report

**Trustee Altenberg**

No report

**Trustee Broad**

Absent

**Trustee Hirsh**

No report

**DIRECTOR OF PARKS & RECREATION - Todd Gedville**

Director Gedville reported:

1. Camp is over.
2. Pool will be over Labor Day.
3. With the help of the Highway Department the beautification of the train station will be done in-house to save tax dollars.
4. Pool passes were down and daily passes up.
5. Trustee Hirsh would like the idea of pool passes be more flexible. 10 passes, etc. not just season passes.
6. The energy audit will be reviewed at the next meeting.

**DIRECTOR OF CONSTITUENT AFFAIRS - Holly Kim**

Director Kim is on maternity leave.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**TOWN FUND BILLS**

It was moved by Trustee Altenberg and seconded by Trustee Hirsh to approve the Town Fund bills in the amount \$235,331.16 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Didech. No nays. Motion carried.

**GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND BILLS**

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the General Assistance Fund bills in the amount of \$2,892.68 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Didech. No nays. Motion carried.

**CEMETERY FUND BILLS**

It was moved by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Altenberg to approve the Cemetery Fund bills in the amount of \$9,400.93 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Didech. No nays. Motion carried.

**PARK FUND BILLS**

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Altenberg to approve the Park Fund bills in the amount of \$69,887.89 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Didech. No nays. Motion carried.

**ROAD FUND BILLS**

It was moved by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Hirsh to approve the Road Fund bills in the amount of \$21,201.48 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Didech. No nays. Motion carried.

**PERMANENT ROAD FUND BILLS**

It was moved by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Altenberg to approve the Permanent Road Fund bills in the amount of \$34,786.02 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Didech. No nays. Motion carried.

**STATION FUND BILLS**

It was moved by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Hirsh to approve the Station Fund bills in the amount of \$10,930.27 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Didech. No nays. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mike Randall, Vice President of the Irving and Phyllis Millstein Charitable Trust for Animals (copy on file) addressed the Board with a proposal to furnish funds to buy food for pets to be distributed at the Township food pantry. The Township would be given the money by the Trust and the Township would be responsible for buying and distributing the food.

Supervisor Didech will have a meeting with Mr. Randall and Nancy Urich, the food pantry coordinator on this project.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Trustee Altenberg and seconded by Trustee Hirsh to adjourn meeting. All voted aye. No nays.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Barnabee  
Township Clerk