

Trustee Sebor

No report

Planning a schedule food pantry board meeting for Feb. Agenda will be out in advance of the meeting.

Trustee Broad

Not present

Trustee Hirsh

No report

Questioned if the facilities could be used for vaccination sites. Was told Stevenson High School will be a site.

Supervisor Altenberg reminded the public to register with the county for the vaccination otherwise you will not get one.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER - Todd Gedville

Director Gedville reported:

1. The recent snowstorm was handled very well.
2. He met with the county regarding the Pekara and Woodbine projects as they will be the engineers for the projects.
3. The township purchased hearing protection with radio for the employees of the highway department.
4. He will be replacing old welding equipment.
5. The township has received \$38,911. in CARES money for November and December. The money was used for sanitation, protection around desks, etc.
6. He will be looking into buying more columbarium's for the cemetery as there are very few left for purchase.

DIRECTOR OF CONSTITUENT AFFAIRS - Barrett Monie

Director Monie reported:

1. Give-A-Thon was a success. Approximately 6 months of food was donated .
2. An additional 10 shopping carts were purchased which will help with distribution of the food.
3. The holiday distributions of food and gifts was very successful. Thank you for all who helped with this process. Constituents were very grateful.
4. With Stevenson High School back to school there has been increase in parking fees.
5. CHRP program is over. Hopefully, the county will distribute more CHRP monies.
6. The eviction ban is extended through mid-February.
7. He and staff have been working diligently on planning summer programs.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

TOWN FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the TOWN FUND bills in the amount \$276,614.65 for payment. Roll call vote: Ayes, Addelson, Hirsh, Sebor, Altenberg. 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 \$5,770.73 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Hirsh, Sebor, Altenberg. No nays. Motion carried..

CEMETERY FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve the CEMETERY FUND bills in the amount of \$63,211.12 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Hirsh, Sebor, Altenberg. No nays. Motion carried.

PARK FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Sebor and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the PARK FUND bills in the amount of \$3,587.08 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Hirsh, Sebor, Altenberg. No nays. Motion carried.

ROAD FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the ROAD FUND bills in the amount of \$35,502.27 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Hirsh, Sebor, Altenberg. No nays. Motion carried.

PERMANENT ROAD FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve the PERMANENT ROAD FUND bills in the amount of \$56,866.21 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Hirsh, Sebor, Altenberg. No nays. Motion carried.

STATION FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the STATION FUND bills in the amount of \$8,993.23 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Hirsh, Sebor, Altenberg. No nays. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

a.Approval of the appointment of Anthony Hanes of Unincorporated Vernon Township to a 3-year term on the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Protection District Board of Trustees

It was moved by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve Anthony Hanes to the Fire District.

Mr. Hanes introduced himself to the Board and is looking forward to working with the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Protection District.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Addelson, Sebor, Altenberg. No nays. Motion carried.

b.Discussion and Possible action on the Vernon Township Social Agency Grant application and potential scholarship

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve the discussion of grant applications and potential scholarship.

The revised grant application was sent to trustees for their input. The Board discussed the wording of the application. What are the residents getting for the monies, how much the monies spent on residents, etc.

Scholarship in name of Ruth Bader Ginsberg should be done during budget hearings. What type of scholarship should it be, how much it should be, who should it include, one scholarship or several scholarships?

It was moved by Supervisor Altenberg and seconded by Trustee Addelson to table the motion.

Roll call vote: Ayes, Addelson, Hirsh, Sebor, Altenberg. No nays. Motion carried.

c.FY22 Fiscal review

Township Manager, Todd Gedville presented the preliminary budget numbers for all the funds. He shared a power point presentation of all the funds. He projected revenues and expenditures.

The township reserve has been depleted to monies enough for 5 or 6 months of reserves. The economy will have a great impact on the revenues.

d.A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING A PROPOSITION AT THE APRIL 6, 2021 CONSOLIDATED ELECTION REGARDING AN ANNUAL TAX FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES AND FACILITIES TO RESIDENTS WHO ARE PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITES

It was moved by Trustee Addelson seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve the Resolution as presented.

Representative Didech addressed the Board of the legality of the resolution regarding township code. The resolution would allow the township to put a referendum on the ballot to raise money for persons with developmental disabilities.

If passed the township had options to control the monies i.e., own programs, grant to non-profits, etc.

A discussion ensued about monies, caps, increase in taxes, powers, language of resolution, what township can provide, troubled economy, etc. The consensus was to table the resolution to a later period.

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Supervisor Altenberg to table the resolution.

Roll call vote: Ayes, Addelson, Hirsh, Sebor, Altenberg. No nays. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Sebor to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m. All voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Barnabee,
Township Clerk