ANNUAL NORMAL TOWNSHIP MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019

7:00 PM

ACTIVITY RECREATION CENTER

600 EAST WILLOW STREET NORMAL, ILLINOIS

Township Clerk Amy Conklin called the meeting to Order

Thanked the citizens for attending the meeting to review the past year

Asked if all attending signed in

Asked if all received a copy of the Financial Statement and the 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes

*******27 total registered Normal residents present to vote*******

Asked for a nomination of a Moderator for tonight's meeting

Rob Cranston nominated Linda Adams and Arlene Hosea seconded

Sally Pyne made the motion to close nominations and approve Linda Adams and Jill Schaab seconded

Hand vote of 27 to approve Linda Adams to be Moderator

Clerk Amy Conklin swore in Linda Adams with the Oath of Office

Moderator Linda Adams asked for a motion to approve the 2018 Annual Township Meeting Minutes. Ray Ropp made the motion and Becca Rice seconded. Approved with 25 hand votes

Moderator Linda Adams asked for a motion to approve 2019 Annual Financial Reports. Sally Pyne made the motion and Mary Cranston seconded. Approved with 25 hand votes

Moderator Linda Adams introduced Assessor Rob Cranston

He thanked all of his staff for their quality of work and dedication- Jan Monke, Linda Adams, Kent DePew, Becca Rice and Ian White. He also thanked everyone with the Township for their support.

The Assessor's responsibility is to value all non-exempt real estate in the township for property tax purposes.

The status of assessments for 1/1/2018- assessed value increased from \$960,907,368 to \$974,438,950. A \$13,531,582 or 1.4% increase. There was no Multiplier used this year.

Ed Pyne asked if any large assessment was lost this past year- the Vutek Building needed to be reduced from \$4 million. The building sold at \$800,000

Moderator Linda Adams introduced Highway Commissioner Arin Rader

Thanked everyone with Township.

One mile of 1425 East Road was finished with overlay last year.

Purchased 3.5 acres of land on Linden and Kerrick Road for a new building and storage

Ed Pyne asked if there will be a new road project this year-this year there will be no road project- it is usually every other year-there will be a couple of miles of tar and chip that will be taken care of

Moderator Linda Adams introduced Supervisor Sarah Grammer

Thanked everyone

The ARC has a new Director- Rick Lewis and has been working for past 2 months

Sarah gave a Visual Slide Presentation:

Township grants monies to the CHCC Dental program- Community Health Care Clinic which serves 60 Normal citizens per month

Grant monies (\$14,000) to Sarah Bush Lincoln to provide Peace Meal- 6489 meals served at ARC and 11,722 home deliveries

Paid \$9720 for 300 full price Bus Passes through Connect Transit for Township GA clients

Township Hall provides free meeting space for a few local groups and space also can be rented to public for special gatherings

Township is fiscally responsible even though it is one of the smallest government entities

We invest our monies in the Illinois Fund

Assistance Program GA/EA paid out \$301,833

Township provides Fair Compensation to their employees- no one makes less than \$14.00 per hour and all Salaries are less than \$100,000

Refinanced ARC loan through current Morton Community Bank allowing the difference to finance the ARC HVAC project

50% of ARC members reside outside of Normal

Faith in Action is located in ARC and provides rides to Seniors to get to their Doctor appointments

Illinois State University Speech provides free testing for Seniors at ARC

Bloomington-Normal VITA provides free Income Tax assistance (330 appointments)

SHIP program at ARC assists with Senior's Medical Insurance and Prescription questions

Silver Sneaker program through member's health insurance provides Reimbursements for member's

ARC membership-\$35,000 reimbursed at this time- there are also 2 other similar programs being used for member reimbursement

ARC receives \$10,000 in Coffee donations by local companies

ARC Living Memorial Fund raised \$35,000

Supervisor Sarah Grammer introduced the new ARC Director of Operations, Rick Lewis

Rick Lewis advised that he is getting to know all the ARC members

ARC has celebrated members who have reached the 90 years old milestone

Has been reaching out to members going through challenging times and or special occasions

The month of April 2019, the ARC celebrates the 3rd year at current location

ARC HVAC and 2nd floor renovation has begun

Focusing on providing beneficial programs and activities for the members

Ed Pyne asked how many members there are currently- 4,400 with 1,000 of those pending The yearly membership fee is \$30

Moderator Linda Adams asked for any Public Comment

Mary Wuhrmann stated that the ARC parking needs to be addressed when extra space is needed- be able to use the Special Olympics Parking Lot

Mary Cranston also stated that the Town of Normal could add a crossing light sign and crosswalk from the Special Olympic's lot to ARC's property

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Sarah Grammer introduces the 21-01 Resolution

To move funds from one fund to another

Joel Studebaker made the motion to approve the Resolution 21-01 to transfer up to \$290,000 from General Town Fund to the Senior Citizen Fund for the purpose of covering senior center operating expenses if needed during fiscal year 2020. Debra Hutchinson seconded

Aye- 27 hand votes

Nay- 0

Motion is approved

Moderator Linda Adams asked who would make the motion to approve the Annual Meeting time of 7:00 PM, Tuesday, April 4, 2020. Mary Cranston made the motion and Jill Schaab seconded.

Aye- 27

Nay- 0

Motion is approved

Moderator Linda Adams thanked everyone for attending and participating

Becca Rice made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Sally Pyne seconded All Approved Adjournment at 7:52 PM