NORMAL TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, April 20, 2023 AT 8:15 AM 304 MULBERRY, NORMAL, IL

- 1. Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 8:15am by Township Supervisor Jess Ray
- 2. Budget Hearing Supervisor Ray opened the floor to all attending in person or via Zoom to give feedback on or ask questions regarding the Township Budget and Road and Bridge Budget for Fiscal Year 2024. Both budgets had been advertised for the previous 30 days. Normal Township Budget with total appropriations of \$2,850,725.00, includes the following: General Town Fund \$1,624,825, Audit Fund \$6,500, Insurance Fund \$40,600, Social Security Fund \$79,300, Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund \$50,000, General Assistance Fund \$459,500, and Senior Citizen Fund \$590,000. Road and Bridge Budget with total appropriations of \$1,159,677.00, includes the following: General Road Fund \$835,977, Audit Fund \$2,200, Insurance Fund \$11,500, and Equipment and Building Fund \$310,000.

Discussion:

Trustee Pyne asked Commissioner Rader to discuss why Road and Bridge Budget was significantly lower for Fiscal Year 2024. Commissioner Rader responded that is due in large part to the completion of the new building, which had been covered in previous budgets.

Hearing no further discussion on the budget hearing, Supervisor Ray Called to Order at 8:21am for the Regular Township meeting.

- **3.** Land Acknowledgement Supervisor Jess Ray read a statement acknowledging the ancestral history of the Township land.
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

Trustee Art Rodriguez Present
Trustee Floyd Aper Present
Supervisor Jess Ray Present
Trustee Arlene Hosea Present
Trustee Sally Pyne Present

Additional Elected Township Officials Present

Dayna Schickedanz Clerk
Rob Cranston Assessor

Arin Rader Road Commissioner

Others Present

Eliccsha Sanders

ARC Membership Director

Molly Camper

ARC Director of Programming (Via Zoom)

Sammi Scott

ARC Communications Director (Via Zoom)

5. Approval of March 16, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Tabled to Next Meeting

6. Approval of General Township Expenditures of \$115,267.56 from March 16 - April 11, 2023

Motion: Art Rodriguez Second: Sally Pyne

Discussion:

None

Aye: Arlene Hosea, Jess Ray, Art Rodriguez, Floyd Aper, Sally Pyne

Nay: None

7. Approval of General Assistance Expenditures of \$17,780.22 from March 16 – April 11, 2023

Motion: Floyd Aper Second: Sally Pyne

Discussion:

None

Aye: Arlene Hosea, Jess Ray, Art Rodriguez, Floyd Aper, Sally Pyne

Nay: None

8. Approval of Senior Citizen Expenditures of \$41,927.69 from March 16 – April 11, 2023

Motion: Floyd Aper **Second:** Art Rodriguez

Discussion:

None

Aye: Arlene Hosea, Jess Ray, Art Rodriguez, Floyd Aper, Sally Pyne

Nay: None

9. Approval of Road and Bridge Expenditures of \$134,553.04 from March 16 - April 11, 2023

Motion: Floyd Aper Second: Sally Pyne

Discussion:

Trustee Pyne asked if this was the last check to CAD Construction, and Commissioner Rader reported that there will be one more.

Aye: Arlene Hosea, Jess Ray, Art Rodriguez, Floyd Aper, Sally Pyne

Nay: None

10. Reports

A. Community Engagement

Art Rodriguez reported on a donation given to ISU Police from the Marine League, for family members of fallen officers. Art spoke on one of the local radio stations regarding Boys State and Girls State programs.

Sally Pyne attended the ISU Community Breakfast, where the speaker was the Interim President. Sally also attended a presentation by Rev Paul Unger, who is an expert on the Potawatomi Trail of Death, which came through Illinois.

Arlene Hosea attended the ISU Family and Consumer Sciences Awards Banquet.

Floyd Aper visited Youth Build and reported on the different program requirements and breadth of services.

Jess Ray attended the monthly McLean County Reducing Social Isolation Initiative meeting, the ISU Community Partners Breakfast, and presented at the Daybreak Rotary on Township.

B. Assessor

Assessor Rob Cranston had nothing to report at this time.

C. Clerk

Clerk Schickedanz had nothing to report at this time.

D. Highway Commissioner

Commissioner Rader reported that the building was progressing, but that he hasn't heard anything

on the electrical panels which haven't yet arrived. Otherwise, he has been working on sign repair,

placing a culvert, and working on road shoulder repairs.

E. ARC Staff and Senior Advisory Committee

Supervisor Ray reported on updates regarding events, potential changes upcoming to Senior

Advisory Committee meetings. Trustee Pyne asked Eliccsha if ARC van coverage is adequate, and

asked Molly how the Pickleball Tournament went.

F. Supervisor

Supervisor Ray reported on the Investment Report, GADI training on licensing software for township, and reminded all township officials to file their statements of economic interest before

May 1st. Reminder about township education event on June 8th at the ARC Auditorium.

11. Public Comment: None

12. Old Business

Discussion of Township Policies and Procedures

Tabled by Supervisor Ray, nothing new to report

13. New Business

Discussion of Appointments to the Senior Advisory Committee

Motion: Arlene Hosea

Second: Art Rodriguez

Discussion:

None

Aye: Arlene Hosea, Jess Ray, Art Rodriguez, Floyd Aper, Sally Pyne

Nay: None

Discussion and Vote to Adopt FY2024 Road and Bridge District Budget

Motion to Discuss: Floyd Aper

Second: Art Rodriguez

Discussion:

Minor amendments are needed to correct errors with dates and removing prior Supervisor's name.

Motion to Amend: Sally Pyne

Second: Art Rodriguez

Aye: Arlene Hosea, Jess Ray, Art Rodriguez, Sally Pyne, Floyd Aper

Nay: None

Vote to Approve as Amended:

Aye: Arlene Hosea, Jess Ray, Art Rodriguez, Sally Pyne, Floyd Aper

Nay: None

Discussion and Vote to Adopt FY2024 Township Budget

Motion: Arlene Hosea Second: Floyd Aper

Discussion of changes as presented in Version 2:

General Assistance needs to be adjusted by adding a technology line.

Aye: Arlene Hosea, Jess Ray, Art Rodriguez, Sally Pyne, Floyd Aper

Nay: None

Discussion of Road and Bridge Funds

Tabled as not needed for this meeting

Discussion and Action for Compliance to the Decennial Local Government Efficiency Act

Motion: Arlene Hosea **Second:** Sally Pyne

Discussion:

A joint report was suggested by Supervisor Ray.

14. Suggested Items for Next Agenda

40 Hour Staff Rule

Old Business: Policies and Procedures discussion

15. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 am.

Next Regular Normal Township Board Meeting: Thursday, May 18, 2023 – 8:15 AM Next Senior Advisory Committee Meeting: Thursday, May 4, 2023 – 9:30 AM

Dayna Schickedanz - Normal Township Clerk

Date