



## ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

November 10, 2021

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Shaughnessy.
- II. **The Pledge of Allegiance:** Supervisor Shaughnessy led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **Citizen Comments:** None.
- iv. **Minutes:** The minutes of the October 13, 2021 Antioch Township Board Meeting were presented. Motion to approve the amended minutes as presented electronically was made by Trustee Shepard, seconded by Trustee Turner. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 – Smouse, Davis, Shaughnessy, Turner, Shepard, No: 0.
- V. **Treasurer's Report:**
  1. Township bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$85,674.09, including \$1,764.65 in General Assistance. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Turner, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 – Turner, Smouse, Davis, Shaughnessy, Shepard, No: 0.
  2. Road District bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$751,279.00. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Smouse, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 – Davis, Shepard, Turner, Smouse, Shaughnessy, No: 0.
- VI. **Township Officials Report:**
  - A. **Supervisor:**
    1. Pamela Self and Ken Horinko provided a presentation on the Thelen Park design concept. Feedback from prior design presentations was used to create one plan that encompasses everything, and balances active and passive uses. The plan includes: a 9 hole disc golf course around the perimeter with mown fairways and natural grass/plants around it, two great lawn spaces and a pavilion that could be used for events such as a concert, a sports shelter, berm land features using existing soil with stadium seating built in by making graded terraces and slope areas to view the pavilion/stage, an overlook to the rookery at the highest point, walking trails, pickleball courts, two sand volleyball courts, one basketball court, an obstacle course geared toward teenagers and young adults, and a natural looking play area with reclaimed timbers. There will be 102 parking spaces with room to add more, and the Eagle Scout area will remain. Security could include a fence that runs into the wetland areas and has a gated entrance. Feedback from the board was interest in a baseball diamond, potential challenges with parking and power if concerts are hosted there, and a desire to expand the play area. Supervisor Shaughnessy noted that when an affordable plan is agreed upon, the plan can be shared with the constituents that neighbor the park. The next step would be to work with a Civil Engineer and put the job out for bid to determine what the Township can offer. The Army Corps of Engineers will also need to be engaged for the Wetlands.

2. Supervisor Shaughnessy reported that he, Assessor Perry, and Clerk Dyer Dawe will be attending the Township Officials of Illinois virtual education seminar.
3. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared that the Antioch Lions Club and the Township are partnering to provide 85 Thanksgiving baskets to those in need. The Rotary Club is distributing an additional 75 Thanksgiving baskets. Assembly is November 19, 2021 from 4-5:30 P.M. at the Township and pick-up is 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. November 20, 2021 at the Township.

**B. Clerk:** No update.

**C. Assessor:** No update.

**D. Highway Commissioner:**

1. Highway Commissioner Ring was absent, but provided the following report. Blacktop is complete and shoulder work is continuing.

**E. Trustee Reports:**

**1. Senior Services, Trustee Davis:**

- a. 35 seniors attended Badda Boom Badda Bingo on October 21, 2021. Walmart provided flu shots at the Township on October 21 and 22, 2021. October 27, 2021 40 seniors attended the Holocaust Museum. The planned movie was not shown at the Antioch Theatre on November 1, 2021 so the group went to Little Bean Café, and a small group then went to Oliverii North for the \$11.00 Luncheon. November 5, 2021 13 seniors wrote 150 cards for troops. December 6, 2021 Planes, Trains, and Automobiles will be shown at 10:00 A.M. at the Antioch Theatre, followed by \$11.00 lunch at Oliverii North. December 15, 2021 is Holiday Inn at Fireside in Fort Atkinson, WI. December 21, 2021 is the Holiday Luncheon For \$10.00 per person at the VFW from 11:30 – 2:00 P.M., with John Ludy providing entertainment.

**2. Finance, Trustee Turner:** No update.

**3. Parks, Trustee Shepard:**

- a. The ice rink at Osmond Park is being filled so it will freeze when cold weather hits. The natural plants are down. Disc golf signage went up. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared that portable lights will be borrowed from Vikings for the ice rink and sled hill. The Township is working with the Village to obtain a Community Officer to turn the lights off each night.

**4. Public Safety and Transportation, Trustee Smouse:**

- a. November 17, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. is a virtual meeting regarding Deep Lake Road improvements from Route 173 to the state line.
- b. The Kyle Rittenhouse case is coming to a close, and more vigilance may be needed due to the mentions of Antioch in the trial. Hyper-Reach can be leveraged if necessary. Chief Guttschow and Mayor Gartner are actively assessing the situation.

**VII. New Business:**

**A.** Supervisor Shaughnessy reported that the board has the draft Township Tax Levy available for review. A 4.9% increase is being requested, which means a public hearing is not required. The draft Road District Levy will be available by November 18, 2021 to ensure availability 20 days prior to adoption at the December 8, 2021 board meeting.

1. Trustee Smouse made a motion to approve the 2022 Township Meeting Calendar as presented, seconded by Trustee Turner. Motion carried with a voice vote. Yes: 5, No: 0.

**VIII. Executive Session:**

1. Motion to suspend the open meeting to go into executive session to discuss Real Estate under Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 C5 was made by Trustee Shepard, seconded by Trustee Davis. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 – Smouse, Davis, Shaughnessy, Turner, Shepard, No: 0. The board moved into executive session at 7:55 P.M..
2. Motion to move back into open session at 8:22 P.M. was made by Trustee Shepard, seconded Trustee Smouse. Motion carried with a voice vote, all in favor. Yes: 5, No: 0.

**IX. Adjournment:** There was no further business to come before the board. Trustee Davis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Turner. Motion carried with a voice vote, all in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:23 P.M. Yes: 5, No: 0.

**Present:** Supervisor – Tom Shaughnessy

Trustees – Judy Davis, Kris Shepard, Jeff Smouse, Steve Turner

Clerk – Meghan Dyer Dawe

**Meeting place:** Antioch Township Hall, 1625 Deep Lake Rd., Lake Villa, IL 60046

Respectfully submitted,

Meghan Dyer Dawe