



ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

November 11, 2020

- 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 14, 2020 Antioch Township Board Meeting were presented. Motion to approve the amended minutes as presented electronically was made by Trustee Turner, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 4 - Davis, Shepard, Turner, Shaughnessy. Abstain: 1 - Grant.
- V. **Treasurer's Report:**
 - A. Township bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$99,190.29, including \$2,215.90 for General Assistance. \$3,570.96 was spent on a safety check and maintenance for a transportation bus being acquired from Wauconda Township. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Turner, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 - Davis, Grant, Shepard, Turner, Shaughnessy.
 - B. Road District bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$696,305.10. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Shepard, seconded by Trustee Davis. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 - Davis, Grant, Shepard, Turner, Shaughnessy.
 - C. A budget versus actuals document was provided showing where the Township stands by line item through November 6, 2020.
- VI. **Township Officials Report:**
 - A. **Supervisor:**
 1. Chris Hansen with Kluber Architects provided a progress report. Program meetings have occurred with office staff to determine needs for space and size of a potential building. 60% of the work is complete to determine the overall building size and program documents, and then he will move to spatial diagrams. Once agreement is obtained on those components, he will overlay it on the site to

determine where the building, parking, and open space would go. He will come to the board with the first pass in the next 30 days with the goals and objectives complete by the beginning of 2021. That will include the building size, what it will look like, and cost. The Village of Antioch is being involved in the findings.

2. Supervisor Shaughnessy provided a Capital Projects Funding Report showing last year's budget to spending, what was expensed in 2018, and how much was left for completion of those projects. The report reflects reserved dedicated funds, budget through the appropriation ordinance, capital funds, park development funds, OSLAD Grant balance, operating expenses, and operating reserves. The report details park expenses from February 1, 2020 through October 9, 2020. The memo descriptions need to be adjusted, but the line item dollar amounts are exact. Maintenance service equipment expenses were \$14,915.68, park equipment and supplies were \$11,407.36 totaling \$26,323.04 for both. Maintenance service ground expenses were \$100,623.48, park development were \$95,572.38, and park crew payroll were \$44,062.16. \$183,418.94 remains from the OSLAD Grant that must be spent on park development. Operating reserves are approximately \$680,000, which is 40% of the total budget.
3. The Township Officials of Illinois Education Conference is 11/16/2020 – 11/20/2020 and 11/23/2020 from 9:30am-1:30pm. Each day will feature training for a different elected official role.
4. The Village created a resolution asking Governor Pritzker to re-evaluate the data for restaurants and bars in region 9 due to the implications to the economy.
5. The Village negotiated a deal for the Pittman property. The deal and the plans for the property have not been finalized yet, but the offer has been accepted.

B. Clerk:

1. Resolution 101420 Setting Compensation for Township Officials was approved in the October 14, 2020 board meeting. The language in the resolution was updated after approval to include if each elected official receives insurance or IMRF eligibility. The compensation and eligibility did not change. Trustee Turner made a motion to accept the resolution already voted on with the revised wording as presented tonight, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 4 - Davis, Shepard, Turner, Shaughnessy. No: 1 - Grant.

C. Assessor: None.

D. Highway Commissioner: None.

E. Trustee Reports:

1. **Senior Committee, Trustee Davis:**
 - a. It's a Wonderful Life will play for free with free popcorn at Antioch Theatre on November 14, 2020 and Shakespeare in Love on December 12, 2020.
2. **Grant Committee, Trustee Turner:**
 - a. Trustee laptops were shipped and never received. Todd Kupsak ordered new ones that will arrive in 3-7 days.

- 3. Transportation Committee, Trustee Grant:** No update.
 - a. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared that the Township is evaluating the value of a 2003 diesel 12 passenger pace bus with 115,000 miles from Wauconda Township. It can provide more uses than the community van, such as transporting handicap children to Matthias Academy, veterans to the VA, seniors in different senior living buildings. Wauconda needs a community van and the Township might swap vehicles. Appraisals are being completed on both.
- 4. Parks Committee, Trustee Shepard:**
 - a. Osmond Park may be leveraged by the High School for cross country to host regionals and sectionals. They could show live feeds of the runners on score boards for spectators in the stands. The Vikings can use the High School on days they are using Osmond Park.
 - b. The Township is working with the Antioch Garden Club on an interpretive trail around the park, through the woodchip trail, and the viewing area. A meeting is taking place with Waste Management next week to discuss moving the dirt pile in order to expand the parking lot. Signage for the entrance, disc golf, and surveillance needs to be addressed.
 - c. The Township is awaiting the wetlands review from Gewalt Hamilton to determine what can and can't be done from a wetlands perspective. If the area where the cattails were cut down is dug another 4 feet, a pond could be put in. Approval is needed from multiple agencies and this might not occur this year. Wood ducks and other aviary bird houses are being considered. Once approval from Gewalt Hamilton is received "God's Ice Rink" can begin. The Township won't flood it, it will be natural. The skating pond will not have boards, but will be plowed. Next year exposure to the work needs to be addressed and the enhancements communicated to the community for awareness. A sled hill is also being worked on and snow fencing will be put up this year for protection. That work will be complete by mid-December. A driving range is a joint long-term project with the High School and it is waiting on used equipment from Libertyville. The document provided by Gewalt Hamilton shows all the planned projects.

VII. New Business:

- A.** Supervisor Shaughnessy discussed the paratransit intergovernmental agreement. The Township pays \$8,000 annually and partners with 6 other Townships for Ride Lake County West. The board needs to evaluate what rides are being provided. There are a lot of denials due to the fact that Township citizens are not going to work or school. A ridership data report will be provided to the board for review. Approval to continue participating or not will be on next month's agenda.
- B.** Discussion occurred regarding using Brilliant Geeks to assist with the Township's technology needs. They are able to provide support remotely. A motion was made by Trustee Shepard to allocate \$1,200.00 for a retainer to Brilliant Geeks, seconded by Supervisor Shaughnessy. Trustee Shepard withdrew his motion. The topic will be addressed at next month's board meeting with parameters defined on how much

support the retainer fee would provide as well as Brilliant Geek's hours of availability as an employee of the Assessor's office.

- C. Supervisor Shaughnessy addressed leveraging Survey Monkey to ask constituents what they would like to see Thelen Park used for. Potential ideas are open space, trail or nature park, sled hill, or off road vehicle park. The money from OSLAD Grant would be leveraged for the park's enhancements. The Township needs to understand what is a desirable idea for the community. Questions need to be created for the survey. A baseball park is no longer being pursued due to decreased participation in Antioch Youth Local League.

VIII. Executive Session: None.

- IX. Adjournment:** There was no further business to come before the board. Trustee Shepard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Turner. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 - Davis, Grant, Shepard, Turner, Shaughnessy. The meeting adjourned at 8:54 P.M.

Present: Supervisor – Tom Shaughnessy

Trustees – Judy Davis, Peter Grant, Kris Shepard, Steve Turner

Highway Commissioner – Eric Ring

Clerk – Meghan Dyer Dawe

Meeting place: The meeting was held virtually

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Respectfully submitted,

Meghan Dyer Dawe