

ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

June 9, 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 May 12, 2021 Antioch Township Board Meeting were presented. Motion to approve the minutes as presented electronically was made by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a voice call vote. Yes: 5, No: 0
- V. Treasurer's Report:**
 - 1. Township bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$68,306.53, including \$1,581.61 for General Assistance. The total in the board packet was an additional \$3,862.05 due to a duplicate check that was corrected. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Shepard, seconded by Trustee Turner. Motion carried with a voice vote. Yes: 5, No: 0
 - 2. Road District bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$102,004.10. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a voice vote. Yes: 5, No: 0
- VI. Township Officials Report:**
 - A. Supervisor:**
 - 1. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared Trustee assignments. Senior Services: Judy Davis, Finance: Steve Turner, Parks, Kris Shepard, and Public Safety & Transportation: Jeff Smouse.
 - 2. Supervisor Shaughnessy reported the June 26, 2021 technology training with Brilliant Geeks is cancelled. The board is doing good with the new Surface Pros. The board was asked to return their iPads.
 - 3. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared that he, Jeff Smouse, and Steve Turner attended a Memorial Day celebration in Oakwood Knolls hosted by Debra Renter that was well attended. Children with Oaks and Acorns sang. An additional Memorial Day event was at Hillside Cemetery, including a dedication to Captain Leverett Barnes, a veteran of the War of 1812. Compliments were provided to Ainsley and Bob Wonderling. Lakes Regional Historical Society, Colonel Paul Hettich, Antioch VFW, and American Legion post #748, were also complimented for placing 853 American Flags in three cemeteries for veterans.
 - 4. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared that Chris Seger was hired to drive the bus five hours per day during school. Wally Henning was hired two to three hours per week as a liaison between the Township, Village, and Army Corps of Engineers. Brock Klowas, a new summer employee, will be cutting grass.
 - B. Clerk:**
 - 1. GoToMeeting was renewed for a year to accommodate virtual attendance.

C. Assessor: No Update.

D. Highway Commissioner: No Update.

E. Trustee Reports:

1. Senior Services, Trustee Davis:

- a. 75 seniors attended June 6, 2021 Murder in the Home Stretch at Anastasia's.
- b. June 7, 2021 Movie Monday was About Schmidt with 30-35 attendees, and approximately 20 attended lunch for \$10 at Oliverii North after. The July movie, Waking Ned Devine, is changing. The parks crew will valet park in the future. Trustee Shepard spoke with the Chief of Police to extend parking durations and allow parking at local businesses during Movie Monday.
- c. June 17, 2021 is BADDA BOOM, BADDA BINGO at the Township.

2. Finance, Trustee Turner:

- a. Chris Hansen from Kluber Architects will present on the Living Center at the next board meeting. The Township will work with Speer Financial if going out for bonds. Conversations will move into executive sessions with the Village Board to ensure the information is shared in the correct way.
- b. The ComEd grant decision should be received in June or July.

3. Parks, Trustee Shepard:

- a. A meeting occurred with baseball; they are happy with the work on the fields. Concessions were reopened with Piggly Wiggly and grab and go. The building at Osmond now provides baseball access while protecting the Township assets. The security camera license plate reader is now working.
- b. There will be RFPs for 18 concrete pads for tee boxes and a storage barn.
- c. The North and West ponds are being cleaned of silt by Greg Neeroth. Greenline Synergy planting might be delayed to provide equipment access. A wetlands delineation was filed. Supervisor Shaughnessy met with Jim Keim and, per the Village, the woodchip trail is an old road being maintained.
- d. There is a Park Co-Op rather than park district to avoid tax increases. Trustee Shepard and Mark Haufe from the Township and Mark Sural and Petrina Burman from the Village will work through reactivating the Park Co-Op IGA.
- e. Thelen Park designs were addressed. Trustee Smouse provided local resident feedback; they don't want an off-road vehicle park. Residents are excited and like the idea of trails, but requested the wetlands and rookery remain.
- f. A discussion ensued about purchasing versus renting a Bobcat. Atlas Bobcat quoted \$55,965.00 or \$1,024.63 for 60 months with government contract pricing for a T66 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader. Highway C Service quoted \$75,582.00 for a comparable T66 T4 Compact Track Loader. Renting from Burress would be \$4,155 per month for a skid steer, attachments and fees. A rock hound attachment and fees is an additional \$666.00 per week. Borrowing from District 34, the High School, or Village isn't an option. Trustee Turner questioned waiting for the Park Co-Op to be reactivated if it would be timely. Trustee Smouse recommended looking for used equipment at State and County auctions. Supervisor Shaughnessy has been watching

auctions. Trustee Shepard favors purchasing to have an asset that could possibly be sold for more in the future due to the government contract discount. Trustee Davis would like to rent and use the money elsewhere. The board determined the money spent on a Bobcat for parks would be from the OSLAD Grant, which must be spent on parks. Supervisor Shaughnessy will review the contract with the finance committee prior to a purchase. Trustee Shepard made a motion to move forward with the purchase of a Bobcat, Supervisor Shaughnessy seconded. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 4 - Smouse, Shaughnessy, Turner, Shepard. No: 1 - Davis.

4. Public Safety and Transportation, Jeff Smouse:

- a. An Emergency Alert System is being reviewed. The cost is \$6,800.00 annually to provide geographic based notifications. A presentation will occur with the First Fire Protection, the Village, and possibly Fox Waterway to learn more.
- b. Four sirens test good each month. Trustee Smouse services the sirens. The board previously looked into alternative companies, but Trustee Smouse's was the least expensive. Trustee Smouse declares it on his Statement of Economic Interest and will not vote for anything pertaining to it.
- c. Supervisor Shaughnessy reported that a meeting for Ride Lake County West was moved from June to the Fall. Lake County is exploring a service for all of Lake County rather than separate areas.

VII. New Business:

- A. Trustee Shepard shared 4th of July, 2021 activities - parade, fireworks, food trucks, and beverages. The Lions Club will also be hosting a chicken barbeque and auction at the end of July.
- B. Supervisor Shaughnessy reported the Secretary of State Super Senior event at the Township had a great turn out. There were 24 license renewals, 18 State IDs, 7 stickers, 4 vision tests, 3 organ donors, and driver's education class provided.

VIII. Executive Session: None.

- IX. Adjournment:** There was no further business to come before the board. Trustee Smouse made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a voice vote, all in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:21 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