



ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

October 12, 2022

- 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. **Roll Call:** Roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Shepard, Turner, Davis, and Smouse. Also present were Supervisor Shaughnessy, Clerk Dyer Dawe, and Attorney James Hartman.
- IV. **Citizen Comments:** Antioch Garden Club thanked the Township for the opportunity to join the meeting.
- V. **Minutes:**
 1. The minutes of the September 14, 2022 Antioch Township Board Meeting were presented. Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trustee Shepard, seconded by Trustee Turner. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 – Davis, Shaughnessy, Smouse, Turner, Shepard, No: 0.
- VI. **Treasurer's Report:**
 1. Township bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$26,690.03, including \$467.11 in General Assistance. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Shepard, seconded by Trustee Davis. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 – Turner, Shepard, Smouse, Davis, Shaughnessy, No: 0.
 2. Road District bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$53,796.68. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Smouse, seconded by Trustee Turner. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 –Shaughnessy, Davis, Shepard, Smouse, Turner, No: 0.
- VII. **Township Officials Report:**
 1. **Supervisor:**
 1. Supervisor Shaughnessy addressed Resolution 1012-22-01 and Clerk Dyer Dawe read the resolution. "A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE TRANSFER OF 4.2 ACRES BACK TO THE FORT SHERIDAN CEMETERY EXPANSION PROJECT FROM THE LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT. Whereas, 4.2 acres of property should be transferred from the Lake County Forest Preserve District (LCFPD) back to the Fort Sheridan cemetery expansion project; and Whereas, the transfer would be put under the care and maintenance of Veteran's Affairs and the Veterans and members who proudly served the United States of America; and Whereas, the land is vacant, and not in close proximity to any homes or residents; and Whereas, the transfer and expansion will benefit all us tax payers in Lake County by and through handing over the maintenance costs of the entire cemetery, relieving, the LCFPD and taxpayers of the expense; and Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by Antioch Township that this Board supports the transfer of 4.2 acres of property from LCFPD back to Fort Sheridan. Be It Further Resolved that Antioch Township supports, respects and admires our Veterans for their service and willingness to take on the

maintenance and care of Fort Sheridan Cemetery.” Motion to approve Resolution 1012-22-01 as presented was made by Trustee Turner, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 – Smouse, Turner, Davis, Shaughnessy, Shepard, No: 0.

2. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared a video that featured Osmond and Thelen Parks. Features for Osmond included Disc golf, the interpretive trail, baseball fields, and football stadium, high grasses, two totem poles – Antioch Sequoits and Lakes Eagles. The park is continually being improved each year. Thelen Park currently has a pavilion, swing set, and trails being used for off road vehicles. There are 30 acres for future development.
3. The Lake County Audubon Society is birdscaping the landscape. Glen Moss, the President of the Lake County Audubon Society, and Paul Geiselhart joined the meeting to present the Township with an award and applaud the Township on a great recreation area that fits with nature. As well as communication and coming together on a shared goal. It’s time to “crow about our efforts to help birds” as native plants help provide vital resources to birds and pollinators.
4. Supervisor Shaughnessy thanked Eagle Scout Aaron Altman for installing birdhouses at Osmond Park.
5. Ken Horinko, Arvin Villanueva, and Chris Miehle from Pamela Self presented on the Thelen Park design. The park is roughly 30 acres with a pavilion and swing set on it now. Nesting birds and wetlands are being considered for design parameters. There will be 2 phases of construction with subphases. Phase 1 is active recreation and Phase 2 is passive recreation with open space and walking trails. In Phase 1 the existing pavilion will be kept, a playground, basketball, pickleball, sand volleyball, obstacle course, comfort station with restrooms, and an additional pavilion will be added. Phase 2 will include native planting, earth work forms, topography, sled hill, great lawn space, tree planting, and stormwater detention. The County is involved with storm water. IDNR is engaged for protected bird species and a survey was done to ensure construction doesn’t impact nesting. The survey determined there was no impact. A wetland delineation was complete to show where development needs to be avoided. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared there is currently nothing on the west side of town and several of the amenities aren’t available anywhere in town. An OSLAD grant has been applied for and the results of that will be available by March. There will be no tax increase or referendum, the hope is to finish Phase 1 and Phase 2 with grant money. The project will likely be put out for bid in December or January and the work started in February or March when the results of the OSLAD grant are known. Jeff Fogel asked if there was money aside from the grant money to do anything now. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared there was money set aside for planning and the board passed a resolution to go up to \$2 million over 10 years, but nothing will be done with that until we hear from the OSLAD grant. Kevin Arion concerned about increased traffic and speeding on Rena. Supervisor Shaughnessy stated Lake County and the Highway Department need to be involved in that. Bruce Goeckner inquired about the plans for the scout area. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared the plans are not finalized yet, but will be highlighted respectfully.

2. Clerk:

1. Early Voting at Antioch Township is October 24, 2022 through October 30, 2022. Monday through Friday, 9 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Saturday 9 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., Sunday 10 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.. October 31, 2022 through November 6, 2022. Monday through Friday, 9 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Saturday and Sunday 9 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.. Election Day is November 8, 2022 and voting hours are 6 A.M. to 7 P.M.
2. The levy is due for inspection no later than November 25, 2022.

3. **Assessor:** No update.
4. **Highway Commissioner:** No update.
5. **Trustee Reports:**
 1. **Senior Services, Trustee Davis:**
 - a. 44 attended Badda Boom Badda Bingo in Smouse Hall on September 22, 2022. 100 attended Sound of Music at Antioch Theater on September 26, 2022, with 20 attending lunch at Oliverri North after. 21 attended Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid at Antioch Theater on October 3, 2022, with 14 attending lunch at Oliverri North after. 33 attended Badda Boom Badda Bingo in Smouse Hall on October 6, 2022. A flu clinic was held at the Township on October 6, 2022.
 - b. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared that Courtney Kotloski's resignation has been accepted. The Township has lost a talented person that was doing a great job. She did well merging the Village and Township Senior Services. There is disappointment over losing a great asset to the Township over other's negative actions.
 2. **Finance, Trustee Turner:**
 - a. The OSLAD grant was applied for September 30, 2022 and a decision probably won't be made until March 2023. The first part of the OSLAD grant is a \$600,000 matching grant to get through Phase 1. Letters of support from 30-40 influential people were provided with the application.
 3. **Parks, Trustee Shepard:**
 - a. The interpretive trail planting at Osmond Park is being put together and sponsorship from civic organizations will be obtained.
 - b. The East Pond at Osmond Park is being cleaned up this month.
 - c. The dirt storage hill at Osmond Park is being relocated to add an additional gravel parking lot to help with the parking shortage. Disc Golf is being used, and the football and baseball fields are being well maintained by Bill Fick.
 4. **Public Safety and Transportation, Trustee Smouse:**
 - a. The Rotary Club thanked the Township for the shuttle bus assistance for the pork chop dinner and auction.
 - b. A regular daily bus schedule to local retailers is being considered.

VIII. **New Business:** Supervisor Shaughnessy shared the library is hosting a fundraiser – It's A Speakeasy! on Saturday October 15, 2022 for \$50 per person or \$350 per table.

IX. **Executive Session:** None.

X. **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 voice vote, all in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M. Yes: 5, No: 0.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Meghan Dyer Dawe