



ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

February 8, 2023

- 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 and Clerk Dyer Dawe.
- IV. **Citizen Comments:** None
- V. **Minutes:**
 1. The minutes of the January 11, 2023 Antioch Township Board Meeting were presented. Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trustee Shepard, seconded by Trustee Smouse. Motion carried with a voice vote. Yes: 5 – Davis, Turner, Smouse, Shepard, Shaughnessy, No: 0.
- VI. **Treasurer's Report:**
 1. Township bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$83,307.36, including \$2,606.36 in General Assistance. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Shepard, seconded by Trustee Turner. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 - Davis, Shepard, Shaughnessy, Smouse, Turner No: 0.
 2. Road District bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$55,843.11. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Smouse, seconded by Trustee Turner. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 - Turner, Shepard, Smouse, Shaughnessy, Davis, No: 0.
- VII. **Township Officials Report:**
 1. **Supervisor:**
 1. A final version of the scope of service for the Kluber building study proposal 230201.02 was received. The resolution, 111-23-02, for up to \$10,000 was already passed and the final amount in the proposal is \$9,850. This is to understand the cost to repurpose St Stephen's Church to determine if it makes sense to move forward.
 2. Moving forward with the strategic plan creation with NIU was previously approved. The demographics study was removed. A kickoff meeting will occur in late March. There will be a survey and focus groups with trustees and groups such as civic organizations and groups of individuals. Trustee Turner noted that the reason people run for the board is because they don't like things and it will be interesting to see how this comes to fruition.
 3. Intent to issue general obligation bonds ordinance number 2023-1 was reviewed by the bond attorney. The ordinance is the first step in authorizing the board to move forward, it doesn't obligate the board to do anything. The Ordinance was passed last month, but this is written differently by Chapman and Cutler. Once this is approved, a 30 day petition period will be published in the newspaper. It doesn't obligate the Township to do anything. A motion was made by Trustee Shepard, seconded by Trustee Turner to approve Ordinance 2023-1 as presented. Trustee Smouse inquired about the revenue

bonds being used for a new building. Supervisor Shaughnessy noted nothing is being done with the building now, it will depend on Kluber's study. The OSLAD grant is matching, this sets the Township up for that if it is approved. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 4 - Turner, Davis, Shaughnessy, Shepard No: 1 - Smouse.

2. Clerk: None

3. Assessor: None

4. Highway Commissioner: Clerk Dyer Dawe commended Highway Commissioner Ring and his department for how well the roads were maintained during the large snowstorm.

5. Trustee Reports:

1. Senior Services, Trustee Davis:

a. 46 attended Badda Boom Badda Bingo on January 12, 2023. 16 attended Goodfellas at Antioch Theater on January 23, 2023 with 8 attending lunch at Oliverri North after. 27 attended trivia at Antioch Township Smouse Hall January 26, 2023.

2. Finance, Trustee Turner:

- a. There is no update on the OSLAD Grant. Supervisor Shaughnessy noted if there are shovel ready projects, the Township is more likely to receive grants. The Township can pay a retainer or percentage of successful grants to the grant writer. There is a safe route to school grant possibility for a bridge from Grass Lake School to Thelen park over the wetlands for nature activities at the school and children to get to school. The school doesn't have a grant writer, an IGA might need to be created.
- b. A trust for public land grant exists with the goal of getting 100% of people within a ten minute walking distance from a park. Antioch is at 78%. The Village has an ordinance that new neighborhoods have a park. The grant will be looked into. There is frustration in Lake County with receiving grants. The County is hiring a lobbyist.
- c. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared there might be funds available from the Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) for local road construction projects.
- d. Supervisor Shaughnessy noted sponsors are being obtained for the NFC outdoor fitness court. The Village will decide their participation in upcoming meetings. There can be 5 major and up to 30 smaller sponsors. There is interest, but potential sponsors want to know cost and that isn't known without the number of sponsors.

3. Parks, Trustee Shepard:

- a. Mother nature is not cooperating for the ice rink and sled hill. Every effort is being made to have them available.
- b. There was a meeting for Thelen Park pre-construction with Pamela Self, EVA and Ccs. A prequalification bidding process was chosen where interested bidders submit credentials, points are awarded, and the Township invites qualified ones to bid. The plans for final bid submission are being finalized. The big portion of the cost is the infrastructure for water run off and sewers. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared a prequalification ad will be in the newspaper Friday, March 10, 2023. Trustee Turner questioned local contractors bidding and that the low bid should be taken. Trustee Shepard shared local contractors can be weighted to have a better opportunity to bid, but will confirm with the Township attorney and everything will be done legally.
- c. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared a Wetland Permitting Proposal 21-0458 for \$3,000. Trustee Shepard noted it is time and material and could be less. Trustee Turner

made a motion to approve the wetland permitting proposal as presented, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a voice vote, all in favor. Yes: 5, No: 0.

- d. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared a DFSAL architectural service design proposal resolution #208-23-01 for \$5,500 for the Thelen Park comfort station and maintenance building design work. \$50,000 was allocated for a pole barn. This will include CAD coordination, preliminary code work, programming needs assessment, and schematic design. Trustee Shepard made a motion to accept the resolution as presented, seconded by Trustee Turner. Trustee Smouse inquired if it is all one building. Supervisor Shaughnessy noted it is two separate buildings. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 - Shaughnessy, Davis, Smouse, Turner, Shepard, No: 0.

4. Public Safety and Transportation, Trustee Smouse:

- a. Trustee Smouse thanked the Township for the flowers for Gerianne Smouse.
- b. Supervisor Shaughnessy complimented PACE, especially Gary Scott with trying to assist getting a blind Antioch resident to CLC with changing class schedules.

VIII. New Business: None

IX. Executive Session: None

- X. **Adjournment:** There was no further business to come before the board. Trustee Davis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Smouse. Motion carried with a voice vote, all in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:52 P.M. Yes: 5, No: 0.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Meghan Dyer Dawe