

**WAUCONDA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 2020**

Call to Order: Supervisor Swanson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Roll Call: Clerk Rowe proceeded with roll call. Answering present was: Trustee Santi, Trustee Stiller, and Supervisor Swanson.

Also answering present were Highway Commissioner Weisbruch, Assessor Oaks, Attorney Ridgway, and Administrator Maioriello. Trustee McKernan and Trustee Ringel were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge was led by Supervisor Swanson.

Approve the Agenda: Trustee Stiller motioned, and Supervisor Swanson seconded to approve the agenda with the suggestion of moving up the Historical Society report. A voice roll was taken. Motion carried.

Historical Society Report: Dan Smith, President, passed out a book marker of up-coming events. The society is busy scanning the Wauconda Leaders. They will be at the Wauconda Chamber Expo this weekend. Supervisor Swanson mentioned that the Wauconda Fire Chief found some information regarding the first Wauconda Fire Chief on the Historical Society's website and was very thankful.

Approve Minutes: January 15, 2020 Regular Board Meeting: Due to not having a quorum of Trustees present that were at the meeting, this was tabled until next month.

Approve Payment of General Town Fund bills: Trustee Stiller motioned, and Trustee Santi seconded to pay the bills. Trustee Stiller had some questions regarding the bills. Having no more discussion, a voice roll was taken. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Approve Payment of Road District Fund bills: Trustee Stiller motioned, and Trustee Santi seconded to approve the bills. A voice roll call was taken. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Supervisor Swanson read the following Treasurer's Report:

General Town Fund	\$ 82,197.48
General Assistance	5,564.54
Social Security/IMRF Fund	8,841.74
Senior Services Fund	7,193.75
Road & Bridge Fund	8,034.21
Permanent Road Fund	<u>59,049.67</u>
Total:	\$170,881.39

Public Participation: None

Vote: Line Item Transfer; General Town Fund: Supervisor Swanson motioned, and Trustee Santi seconded to approve the transfer. Trustee Stiller noted that the General Assistant Fund had

a deficit and needed a transfer as well. Supervisor Swanson stated it could not be fixed this month. The shortage in the fund was due to lack of donations for the holiday basket program. A voice roll was taken. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Public Participation: None

Township Reports: Highway Commissioner Weisbruch stated the floor in the highway department is getting a coat of epoxy and is not being painted. They are currently dealing with the beaver problem on the Slocum Lake drain and behind Brook Street.

Assessor Oaks reminded anyone turning 65 to stop in and sign up for the Senior Homestead exemption of \$5,000.00 and assessment freeze. To qualify for the freeze, the resident must have a total household income of \$65,000.00 or less. The Treasurers office is offering a Senior Citizen’s tax deferral program. That application must be filed by March 1st. It is done through the Treasurer’s office and not the Assessor’s office.

Clerk Rowe stated that early voting starts March 2nd and goes through March 14th. Residents can vote at any early voting site in Lake County. She reminded the elected officials that the County sent out Economic Interest statements that must be filled out by May.

Supervisor Swanson stated that the Township will be supplying free bus rides for the vendors at the Wauconda Expo this weekend. The Townships fiscal year ends on February 29th. He will give a report in March. The Supervisor attended a Historical Society Christmas clean up at the house. The E-News is going out with the voting info in it. The Supervisor would like everyone to try and get more emails for this letter as it contains important information for the residents. The Township Senior Transportation department is checking into purchasing a new mid-size bus which would eliminate one van and two busses.

Trustee Stiller motioned to adjourn at 6:30 pm. Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted this 18th day of March 2020.

Supervisor Swanson

Clerk Rowe

Trustee McKernan

Trustee Ringel

Trustee Santi

Trustee Stiller