

# Wauconda Township Board Meeting

## April 20, 2022

**Call to Order/ Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. For roll call, answering present were: Supervisor Knight, Trustee Lochmayer, Trustee McKernan, Trustee Santi and Trustee Whitehead.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The pledge was led by Supervisor Knight

**Approval Of Agenda:** Trustee McKernan motioned, and Trustee Lochmayer seconded. Roll Call was taken. All were in favor. Motion passed

**Vote: Approve Consent Agenda:** Trustee McKernan motioned and Trustee Santi seconded to approve the agenda by omnibus vote. Roll call was taken. All were in favor. Motion passed

- A) Approve Payment of Town Fund Bills-March 16, 2022- April 19, 2022 in the amount of \$84,589.85
- B) Approve Payment of Road District Bills-March 16, 2022- April 19, 2022 in the amount of \$40,151.53
- C) Approve Minutes of Board Meeting – March 16, 2022

**Approve Items A-C on Consent Agenda:** Trustee Santi motioned, and Trustee Lochmayer seconded to approve the agenda. Roll call was taken. All were in favor. Motion passed

**Historical Society Report:** Dan Smith mentioned on May 21 at 1pm there will be an event: Discover Local History and Main Street Mural. This will be held at the Federated Church of Wauconda for a discussion of our area's history. There will also be speakers/authors Kathy Catrambone and Marianne Folise. You will have to register through the library in order to attend.

**Budget Distributed to Board:** Supervisor Knight mentioned that the budget has been distributed to the board. Take a look at it and review over the next month. If you have any questions, please let Supervisor Knight or Business Manager Lupe know and will discuss.

**Recognition: FBLA:** Wendy Mills from the high school was present from FBLA along with some of the FBLA student from Wauconda High School. Wendy Mills stated there were 43 students who qualified for nationals this year. 38 students will be going. They took about 70 to area and about 58 to state. FBLA helps high school students prepare for careers in business through academic competitions, leadership development and education programs. Wendy Mills mentioned they will be taking the students down to McCormick place in a limo to compete. They not only are representing Wauconda but the whole state of Illinois. They will go against 44 other states and 7 other territories. Wendy Mills had the students present at the township

meeting by going around and introducing themselves, their grade, their event and what place they took. The Board congratulated all of them and thanked them for helping so much in the community.

**New Business: A) Fire District Presentation:** Deputy Chief Pat Kane, Battalion Chief Devin Mueller, Erik Christensen and two of their board members were present. Erik Christensen shared more information about the program as he has been heading up this program- Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH). This is a proactive, preventive approach to prehospital care for the most vulnerable, underserved and chronically ill patients. MIH is a sincere and robust program designed to identify target populations and more effectively and efficiently handle their chronic healthcare problems. MIH is designed to be value-based and patient centered, and it is a true form of preventative medicine. MIH was born after the Affordable Care Act, and it was originally designed to provide preventative care to rural areas of the United States who didn't have immediate access to 911 or primary care services. MIH seeks to provide a more efficient service by continuing to provide emergency 911 services, but also providing a separate, expanded community service that is scheduled, and visits take place over a 4 – 8-week period. Wauconda Fire Protection District, in direct coordination, collaboration, and partnership with multiple community partners has been working on the development of this program for the last 3 ½ years. This development has led us to create a care plan, to intervene with medical conditions that place patients at the highest risk for a decrease in quality of life, and to provide a quantitative and qualitative improvement in patient health. This is not a competitive service; it is collaborative service. There are numerous amounts of resources. Wauconda Fire Protection District is partnered with five other agencies in the region to provide this program which has already been approved by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH). Our partners include: The Greater Round Lake Fire Protection District, Mundelein Fire Department, Libertyville Fire Department, Countryside Fire Protection District, and the First Fire Protection District of Antioch. It is a program we sincerely believe in as a way to evolve the service we provide while still providing superior community service to our residents. It cannot be understated that our partnerships have been critical to the success of this program and our partnership with Wauconda Township is no exception. Wauconda Fire Protection District is asking for \$400,000 over the next two years. Trustee McKernan inquired how do those get into the program. There are 5 different phases they go through to determine if the program will be ideal for them. 50 % of the 911 calls they receive are from those over the age of 65 years of age and number 1 call they respond to is falls. If they are awarded the money, the focus for Wauconda Township will be for Wauconda Township residents.

**Public Participation:** Ellen Smatlak shared that on May 15 from 10am-2pm the Wauconda Garden Club will be having a plant sale. The sale raises funds for 1-2 scholarships that will be awarded to Wauconda High School students. It will be held at the Cook House next to the Wauconda Public Library.

**Supervisor Report:** Supervisor Knight wanted to thank the staff, Department Heads and the Finance Committee for the work on the budget. We appreciate all the help. The last two meetings we have discussed moving to work with a new IT company. Supervisor Knight announced we are moving forward with them. This will save us several hundred dollars for all of us to be under one umbrella. We also have been notified by the food pantry and will be moving forward with new computerized process. Supervisor Knight wanted to thank Lake County with their assistance in removing dilapidated properties. One of the homes/garages on main near the Legion was finally removed. Just a reminder waste consolidation is going effect June 1, 2022. It is 19.99 per month and will be billed quarterly. Economic Interest Statements are due May 1. We are partnering with the Wauconda Police Department, United Partnership, Choose Your Path Coalition and the DEA on April 30 at the township for a prescription drop off event. Supervisor Knight wanted to offer his condolence to the Ryan family with the passing of Jill Ryan.

**Elected Officials Reports:** Trustee Santi has no report. Trustee McKernan -shop locally. Trustee Lochmayer shared that Wauconda resident Iversen stepped up and volunteered to help us make the transition to the new accounting system. Trustee Whitehead shared that the Finance Committee is gelling together as a real team with real interests on their part in helping with their unique talents. This is exciting to see how this group is coming together in helping the Township move forward. Trustee Whitehead attended Illinois Township Elected Officials Lobby Day in Springfield to look at legislation. Trustee Whitehead urges all residents to listen and keep in touch with your elected officials to learn more. Assessor Carlson attended the State Conference for Assessors in the first week of April. They showed some new tools that are available out there that Wauconda Township could possibly use in the future. Books will be turned in mid-May and tax bills will be mailed out. Highway Commissioner Weisbruch stated as of today free mulch will be available courtesy of the Highway Commissioner from Nunda Township. First come, first serve. Also please call LRS or Lake County directly for Trash Consolidation and please follow Lake County for assistance as Wauconda Township Road District does not handle this nor does have authority for this.

**Adjourn/Roll Call:** At 6:49 pm. Trustee Whitehead motioned to adjourn. Trustee McKernan seconded. For roll call, answering present were Supervisor Knight, Trustee Lochmayer, Trustee Santi, Trustee Whitehead and Trustee McKernan. All in were in favor. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted this 18th day of May 2022.

  
Supervisor Knight

  
Clerk Rose

*Absent*

Trustee McKernan

*M. Santi*

Trustee Santi

*Ed Lochmayer*

Trustee Lochmayer

*Tom Whitehead*

Trustee Whitehead