

Wauconda Township Board Meeting

October 20, 2021

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 Whitehead, Trustee Santi

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge was led by Supervisor Knight

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

Vote: Approve Consent Agenda: Trustee Santi motioned and Trustee Lochmayer seconded to approve the amended agenda by omnibus vote. Roll call was taken

- A) Approve Payment of Town Fund Bills- September 16, 2021-October 20, 2021 in the amount of \$123,993.46
- B) Approve Payment of Road District Bills- September 16, 2021-October 20, 2021 in the amount of \$50,324.82
- C) Approve Minutes of Board Meeting – September 15, 2021

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

Historical Society Report: Dan Smith shared they had a really nice event on October 17, 2021. There will be a senior bus trip to the Cook House on November 8 and on November 21st the open house will take place. The Christmas event will be happening on December 5th and more details to come. All Historical Society officers and directors, including himself, were reelected on Monday.

New Business

- A) **IGA for Paratransit:** Intergovernmental agreement between the county and the township. They are looking to bring in a new system and hope to have it in place by May of 2022. At this time, the township contributes \$4,000 per year. Under this new agreement they will receive federal funding, meaning that Wauconda Township will no longer need to supply the \$4,000. Trustee Lochmayer motioned and Trustee McKernan seconded. Roll call was taken. All were in favor. Motion passed.
- B) **Policy 6.8 Proper Dress and Appearance:** Supervisor Knight shared this policy has come up a few times and towards the bottom, there is a policy regarding tattoo exposure. Supervisor Knight is asking the board if they would consider removing that part of the policy. Supervisor Knight mentioned he has spoken to a few other townships and they do not have a policy on this. Some of the board members shared and discussed that the policy may not be comprehensive enough and should still be discussed and looked into more. The board would like to think more on this and discuss again.
- C) **Finance Committee Discussion:** Supervisor Knight shared in the past, a few have spoken to get this committee together where we can involve the residents. Avon Township has one currently and it is working out really well. They have a combination of residents and board members. Supervisor Knight addressed the board to see if they would be on board with this. This would be open to the

public and posted. The board feels this would be a good thing to do and will need to discuss how many board members and residents would be on this committee. The board is leaning towards five individuals. Supervisor Knight will put something together and get it out to the public.

Public Participation: None

Supervisor Report: Supervisor Knight shared we had Attorney Hoban draft contracts for our Grant program. We have partnered with Wauconda Community Bank again for another shredding event. It will take place on November 6th from 9am-noon. We also have been working with each department on articles for our newsletter. We have switched to a local printing company who is providing this service to us for approximately \$1600-\$1800 less and there will be less employees needing to help with folding, labeling, tabs and delivering to the post office. AllPrint Inc will have all of this included for us. They will be in mailboxes at the end of October, no later than first week of November. Trustee Lochmayer, Clerk Rose and Supervisor Knight participated in a Zoom Meeting with Metro Townships regarding OMA & FOIA. Caseworker Melissa Garcia and Supervisor Knight will be attending the 2nd part of General Assistance training in Rockford. Virtual Boot Camp with TOI will be in November. Supervisor Knight also mentioned legal fees have been higher than normal recently as we have had additional FOIAs and also due to investigations and ongoing legal proceedings from previous administration. Supervisor Knight would like to thank the assessor's office for working with him on the abandoned properties in the Township.

Elected Officials Reports: Trustee Santi stated no report. Trustee McKernan stated he has not report. Shop locally and there will be breakfast for the vets on the Legion on November 6. Trustee Lochmayer shared the OMA & FOIA training was informative. Trick or Treat on Main is on Sunday. Trustee Whitehead stated no report. Assessor Oaks wanted to thank the Supervisor and the Trustees for being so pleasant to work with. Highway Commissioner Weisbruch stated that unfortunately due to price of products and goods and the delays, the remainder of the two projects they wanted to get done this year will need to be pushed to next year. Supervisor Knight mentioned these past few weeks the Highway Department entered into a IGA with the Village of Wauconda as they ran into an issue with a brush pick up contractor. Supervisor Knight and Highway commissioner Weisbruch went together and they signed an IGA and were able to help save \$20,000 for the taxpayers.

Executive Session: Trustee McKernan motioned, and Trustee Lochmayer seconded to approve to move into Executive Session for discussion of personnel. Possible action may be taken

Roll Call: Supervisor Knight, Trustee Lochmayer, Trustee Whitehead, Trustee McKernan, Trustee Santi
Adjourn into Executive Session.

Call to Order Regular Meeting/Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

For roll call, answering present were: Supervisor Knight, Trustee Lochmayer, Trustee Whitehead, Trustee McKernan, Trustee Santi.

Supervisor Knight stated there will be no action taken from the Executive Session

Adjourn/Roll Call: At 7:06 pm. Trustee McKernan motioned to adjourn. Trustee Whitehead seconded. For roll call, answering present were: Supervisor Knight, Trustee Whitehead, Trustee Lochmayer, Trustee McKernan, Trustee Santi. The meeting was adjourned.

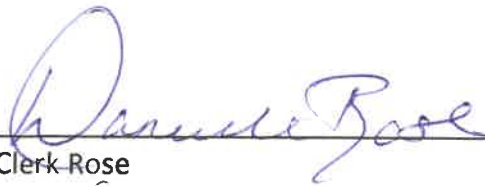
Submitted this 17th day of November 2021.

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Supervisor Knight



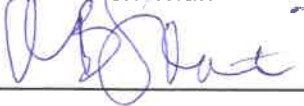
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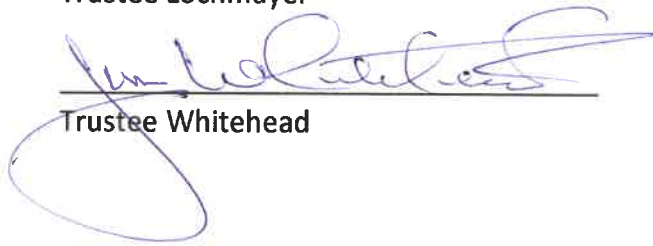
Trustee McKernan



Trustee Lochmayer



Trustee Santi



Trustee Whitehead