Wauconda Township Board Meeting August 18, 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 Santi, Trustee Whitehead

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge was led by Supervisor Knight

Approval Of Agenda: Supervisor Knight stated there will be one slight change. We are going to table line-item C under new Business. Trustee McKernan motioned, and Trustee Santi seconded. Roll Call was taken. All were in favor. Motion passed

Vote: Approve Consent Agenda: Trustee Lochmayer motioned, and Trustee Whitehead seconded to approve the agenda by omnibus vote

- A) Approve Payment of Town Fund Bills- July 21, 2021-August 18, 2021 in the amount of \$64,155.01
- B) Approve Payment of Road District Bills-July 21, 2021-August 18,2021 in the amount of \$46,480.23
- C) Approve Minutes of Board Meeting -July 21, 2021
- D) Approve Amended Minutes of Special Meeting-July 8, 2021

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

New Business

- A) Vote: Retain Auditor- Supervisor Knight stated this is to retain auditor for price which will remain the same as it has in the past of \$5,000. Trustee Santi motioned, and Trustee McKernan seconded. Roll call was taken. All in were in favor. Motion passed
- B) Senior Transportation Programs: Supervisor Knight stated this was brought up at last month's WTB meeting and was discussed briefly. Supervisor Knight went back to staff to get more details on the trips and the cost. In a typical year there are about 3-4 trips a year. There are two drivers and usually costs \$20-\$40 per event per driver. If there were 4 events maximum, would be \$80 total,approx. \$320. Supervisor Knight stated we do have a line item in the budget under "Other" expenditures that would help cover where we could state not to exceed \$400. Supervisor Knight asked if we can move forward to get this approved. Trustee McKernan motioned, Trustee Lochmayer second. Roll call was taken. All were in favor. Motion Passed
- C) Grant Requests Distributed: As stated Supervisor Knight will be tabling this line item

Old Business: None

Public Participation: Dan Smith from the Historical Society was present and spoke more about what is to come. There is a big event coming up in October, the fall festival. They also will be selling a new holiday ornament. If you would like to purchase one now, they will be available at the open house on August 29. The ornaments will also be available starting September 9 at the Cook House. Some merchants will be selling them as well. A Wauconda Township attendee wanted to thank the board for their investigation into the driver support.

Supervisor Report: Supervisor Knight has contacted Lake County regarding some of the abandon houses in Wauconda Township. There is one on Main, south of the legion, that is in poor condition. Supervisor Knight met with a resident about an additional home that is in poor condition in Williams Park. Supervisor Knight contacted the Veterans Assistance Commission of Lake County and there will be a meeting set up to see if we can assist with the veterans. Supervisor Knight and Office Caseworker Melissa Garcia, participated in a video training on accessible communication for the deaf and hard of hearing. The program was done out of Schaumburg Township. Last week Supervisor Knight was invited to the fire district with Congresswoman Underwood and wrote a letter for a grant to receive a generator and Supervisor Knight was able to get that for them. Congresswoman Underwood and Supervisor Knight are also pushing a bill for youth suicide prevention as there is a growing concern. Congresswoman Underwood asked if Wauconda Township could be a part of this and Supervisor Knight said absolutely. Wauconda Township Caseworker, Melissa, did a great job with the Back to School Back Pack Program. We furnished 37 backpacks to the Wauconda school district children in the area. Supervisor Knight has had conversations with the Mayor of Island Lake in regards to the senior transportation. We do have in the budget a little over \$12,000 they pay to the township for transporting their residents. There were about 90 residents on the Nunda side of the township- we are in communication about receiving the money. Supervisor Knight stated there is an item that has been brought up several times over the year in regards to the account with Costco (rebates/rewards). Before we took office, the account was closed; since then, Supervisor Knight reopened the account and we are currently looking into the records now and will keep everyone posted. Wauconda Township recycle event will be held August 28. Supervisor Knight wanted to thank Wauconda Community Bank for their assistance to help sponsor this event.

Elected Officials Reports: Trustee Santi attended two chamber events- Women in Business and the multi group event. Trustee Santi also was on the Lake County virtual para transit presentation in regards to what we can expect for transportation. Trustee McKernan stated he had no official report- shop locally. Trustee Lochmayer stated he received a call from Storm Water Management Commission Director. It was a follow up call to consider a water management board. Deadline is October 1, 2021 to submit applications. If there is something we would like to go for, the Supervisor can sign off. Trustee Lochmayer would like to sit down with Highway Commissioner Weisbruch to speak further about the details. The county also called Trustee Lochmayer about a property in Lakeland Estates that appears to be contaminated with construction material. The county is looking to see what can be done. Trustee Whitehead wanted to thank Highway Commissioner Weisbruch about the brush pick up after the storm. Assessor Oaks stated she has no official report. Highway Commissioner Weisbruch shared more about the completion of the brush pick up and came up with a plan to get it done in a timely manner. The second pick up will be the second Monday of September.

Executive Session: Trustee Whitehead motioned, and Trustee Santi seconded to approve to move into Executive Session.

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

Call to Order Regular Meeting/Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. For roll call, answering present were: Supervisor Knight, Trustee Lochmayer, Trustee McKernan, Trustee Santi, Trustee Whitehead. Supervisor Knight stated at the last meeting we reviewed executive session minutes that have not been

released and we made the determination at that time there is a continued need for confidentiality and there will be no action taken on Executive Session at this time.

Adjourn/Roll Call: At 6:37 pm. Trustee McKernan motioned to adjourn. Trustee Lochmayer seconded. For roll call, answering present were: Supervisor Knight, Trustee Lochmayer, Trustee McKernan, Trustee Santi, Trustee Whitehead. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted this 15th day of September 2021.

Supervisor Knight

Trustee McKernan

Trustee Santi

Clerk Rose

Trustee Lochmayer

Trustee Whitehead