

**WAUCONDA TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
March 21, 2018**

**Call to Order:** Supervisor Swanson called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Clerk Rowe proceeded with roll call. Answering present was: Trustee Lindberg, Trustee Ringel, and Supervisor Swanson. Also answering present was Assessor Oaks, Highway Commissioner Weisbruch, Attorney Ridgway, and Administrator Maioriello. Trustee Stiller and Trustee McKernan were absent.

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

**Approve the Agenda:** Trustee Ringel motioned and Supervisor Swanson seconded to approve the agenda. All were in favor.

**Approve Minutes: February 21, 2018 Regular Board Meeting:** Trustee Ringel motioned and Supervisor Swanson seconded to approve the minutes. A voice roll call was taken. Motion carried.

**Approve Payment of General Town Fund Bills: February 22, 2018 to March 21, 2018:** Trustee Ringel motioned and Trustee Lindberg seconded to approve the payment of the General Town Fund bills. A voice roll call was taken. Motion carried.

**Approve Payment of Road District Fund Bills: February 22, 2018 to March 21, 2018:** Supervisor Swanson motioned and Trustee Ringel seconded to approve the payment of the bills. A voice roll call was taken. Motion carried.

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

General Town Fund	\$ 57,401.29
General Assistance	5,465.37
Social Security/IMRF Fund	9,232.15
Senior Services Fund	7,366.61
Road & Bridge Fund	6,907.11
Permanent Road Fund	<u>61,064.49</u>
Total:	\$147,437.02

**Public Participation:** None

**NEW BUSINESS: VOTE: ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA:** Supervisor Swanson motioned and Trustee Ringel seconded to approve the agenda. Trustee Ringel asked about the property purchase on the agenda. Supervisor Swanson stated he is in talks with the owner of the property behind the Township and wanted approval to buy it. Trustee Lindberg asked about

what happens with the budget and the property purchase. Supervisor Swanson stated it would only be with Board approval. Voice roll call was taken. Motion carried.

**Discussion: Building Remodeling:** Supervisor Swanson stated that the Township Hall was built in 1974. He stated that there are many problems with the building. Some of the issues are the roof leaking, plumbing problems with inside walls that leak, networking problems, insulation issues, electrical problems, and the lack of security. He would like to add a conference room for privacy issues. The building needs to be updated with lighting. Under the advice of an architect, the Supervisor wants to totally gut the inside of the administration building. Trustee Ringel asked where the money would come from. Supervisor Swanson said there is money put aside for building and land purchase of \$1,200,000.00. He would use those funds.

**Discussion: Truck Purchase:** Highway Commissioner Weisbruch wanted to inform the Board that he has received quotes to purchase a Peterbilt truck to replace unit #4. This new truck is a stainless steel, 20 year truck. He should have it by winter of 2018. By purchasing now, there are better discounts available. He also is purchasing a Henderson snow plow for the truck.

**Vote: Sexual Harassment Policy:** Attorney Ridgway stated recently Legislature added sexual harassment policy into a 1993 statute. This caused some additional things to be addressed. Updated items have been added to this new policy. The Act requires a policy of this nature to be passed. Supervisor Swanson motioned to adopt the sexual harassment policy prohibiting sexual harassment. Trustee Ringel seconded. Trustee Lindberg stated she would like more time to review this policy and give the Trustees, who are absent, time to review. Trustee Lindberg was not comfortable with the verbiage of reporting to Supervisor instead of the department supervisors, and she would also like the other department heads opinions. Attorney Ridgway stated that this is the way the statute is written and no liberties should be taken. The typo of the capital "S" in supervisor will be corrected. Assessor Oaks brought up some verbiage issues as well. After discussion on some of the other verbiage in this policy and clarification of the order of who to report to, a voice roll call was taken. All were in favor, this policy was adopted.

**Vote: Ordinance # 03-21-18-01; Sexual Harassment:** Trustee Ringel motioned and Supervisor Swanson seconded to accept this ordinance. Voice roll call was taken. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**Vote: Rescind Ethics Ordinance #12-21-16-04:** Supervisor Swanson motioned and Trustee Ringel seconded to rescind the ordinance. Trustee Lindberg stated she would like this tabled as she did not have enough time to read this.

Attorney Ridgway explained the differences in the two ordinances. Trustee Lindberg had questions regarding the path to identify and report issues. Supervisor Swanson stated that any violations would go directly to the states attorney office. Trustee Lindberg was concerned that she did not have time to go over this and feels pressured to pass something she is not

comfortable with. After further discussion and clarification of some the verbiage, a voice roll call was taken. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Vote: Ethics Policy Ordinance #03-21-18-02:** Supervisor Swanson motioned and Trustee Ringel seconded to adopt this policy. Trustee Lindberg stated that in the future, she would like more time to review items like this. A voice roll call was taken. All were in favor. Policy was adopted.

**Public Participation:** None

**Historical Society Report:** President Dan Smith stated that the Historical Society will be a recipient of the bunny hop funds and is looking for volunteers to help work it. May 6<sup>th</sup> will be a May Pole event and open house. June will have a display of wedding dresses. The first scanned newspapers are in. The library has put all their collection of year books on line. The Historical Society has some old books to add to their collection. The original yearbook was not called the Bulldog. It was called the Dial before World War II.

**Elected Official Report:** Trustee Lindberg served as a voter judge in this last election.

Supervisor Swanson stated that the Township is going to honor Fireman Charlie Buschik, who is retiring after 45 years.

Trustee Lindberg motioned to adjourn. All were in favor.

Submitted this 18th day of April, 2018

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