Minutes-Board of Trustees Norwood Park Township 7833 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge, IL County of Cook, State of Illinois Friday, November 24, 2023

Supervisor Nasca called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Present: Supervisor Anthony Nasca

Clerk Francis Salinsky Trustee Paul Alongi Trustee Andrew Cichon Trustee Dennis Stefanowicz

Trustee Steve Wyda

As the first order of business Supervisor Nasca entertained a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of October 27, 2023, and accept them as presented. Trustee Alongi moved. Trustee Stefanowicz seconded the motion. Supervisor Nasca called for a voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Trustee Stefanowicz moved, seconded by Trustee Alongi to authorize the expenditures for the Town Fund, Road & Bridge and G.A. Supervisor Nasca called for a voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

#### **Public Comment:**

None

## Supervisor's Report:

Supervisor Nasca informed the Board there is one pending G.A. case.

Next, he shared that the Township is registered as an official Toys for Tots drop off site. Some residents have already dropped donations.

Supervisor Nasca relayed that a resident of the unincorporated area had called the Township inquiring if a street sign could be installed to honor a Township resident. He responded to the resident that the Township does not have the authority to use taxpayer money for what was being requested.

The Supervisor shared the Township has been working to upgrade the accounting software including adding QuickBooks.

Next the Supervisor discussed with the Board if buying new medical equipment to rent to residents was needed. Trustee Alongi said residents could be referred to the Senior Assistance Center as they have this in place.

The next item discussed by the Supervisor was to address the inquiries from the Township Highway Department regarding the Township assisting with funding of streets in the unincorporated area. He stated he had done some research that showed in September of 2018 the Township did help fund roadway improvements on Linden and Prospect and again in 2019 for improvements on Courtland Ave. The Supervisor went on to remark that as much as the highway department is its own separate taxing body, with its own levy and budget he does not think it hurts the Township to help. Therefore, if the Township does at some point accumulate additional funds, the Board can revisit the idea of financially assisting in the future. The conversation continued as the Trustees inquired as to possible grants available. Supervisor Nasca relayed that he had been in contact with Cook County regarding a Motor Fuel Tax report showing an unobligated balance. In addition to this he had also been inquiring within the county for grant opportunities that would be opening to applicants for 2024.

Lastly Supervisor Nasca reported on the update for cyber security insurance.

### **Committee Reports:**

Trustee Alongi stated all is fine regarding building maintenance.

Trustee Wyda reported 7 taxicab books were sold.

Trustee Cichon stated nothing current regarding the youth committee.

Trustee Stefanowicz reported all is in order regarding finances.

### **Old Business:**

Supervisor Nasca and the Town Board discussed and voted upon the 2023/2024 tax levies for the Town Fund, General Assistance Fund, and the Road & Bridge Fund. None of the levies were increased.

Trustee Stefanowicz moved, and Trustee Cichon seconded to pass the 2023/2024 tax levy for the Town Fund. Supervisor Nasca called for a voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Trustee Wyda moved and Trustee Alongi seconded to pass the 2023/2024 tax levy for the General Assistance Fund. Supervisor Nasca called for a voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Trustee Alongi moved, and Trustee Stefanowicz seconded to pass the 2023/2024 tax levy for the Road & Bridge Fund. Supervisor Nasca called for a voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Supervisor Nasca and the Board discussed the ComEd incentive options for updating the lighting in the Township building. This will be discussed again and voted upon at a future Town Board meeting.

Supervisor Nasca reported the Township will not be adding cyber security to the insurance as the Township does not have the multi-factor authentication required.

#### **New Business:**

Supervisor Nasca and the Board discussed and voted on the resolution authorizing the Supervisor to expend funds per 60 ILCS 1/80-10 which allows the Supervisor to pay monthly Township bills up to \$2,499.99. Trustee Alongi moved, and Trustee Cichon seconded to pass this resolution. Supervisor Nasca called for a voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Next item Supervisor Nasca and the Board voted on was the Annual FOIA Ordinance. Trustee Stefanowicz moved, and Trustee Cichon seconded to approve the Annual FOIA Ordinance. Supervisor Nasca called for a voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

The discussion on wheelchairs/medical equipment was covered in the Supervisor's report.

# Assessor's Report:

Assessor Karns stated that since the 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> installment tax bills have been received many residents have come in with their tax bills upset with their increase. The assessor has been assisting these residents rectify their missing exemptions.

# **Highway Commissioner's Report:**

None

## Web Page Report:

Norwood Park Township as an official Toys for Tots drop-off location has been posted to the website as well as Senior Assistance Center events.

# **Scheduled Meetings:**

Friday, December 29, 2023, at 6:30PM-Monthly Fiscal Meeting

## **Trustee Round Table Discussions:**

None

A motion was made to adjourn by Trustee Cichon, seconded by Trustee Stefanowicz. Supervisor Nasca called for a voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Francis J Salinsky Clerk

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