Regular Meeting of the Elk Grove Township Board of Trustees Elk Grove Township Hall 600 Landmeier Road, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007 October 26, 2030

Minutes

- I. Call to Order. Supervisor Sweeney call the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. <u>Roll Call.</u> Present: Trustees Satern (via zoom), Niewiardowski, Ingraffia (via zoom), Keenley and Supervisor Sweeney. In attendance: Administrator Pioch, Assessor Carosielli (via zoom) and Highway Commissioner Niewiardowski.
- III. <u>Public Comment</u>. Melissa Cayer of Arlington Heights suggested that the Board use cost benefit analysis in making their decisions.
- IV. <u>2020-2021 Snow Removal Services Bid Opening</u>. Supervisor Sweeney reported that no bids were received. He stated that the Township was in talks with another Township Highway Department and that hiring part-time drivers using Township equipment to handle the snow removal is being considered. The latter he expects would be a short-term solution for this winter only.
- V. <u>Consent Agenda</u>. Supervisor Sweeney asked for a motion to approve the authorization for payroll and bills, and to approve the Supervisors report consisting of information regarding social services, employment support, food pantry, transportation services and financials. Also included in the package was Resolution 2020-10 appointing Lynn Cirrincione president of the Forest View Fire Protection District. A motion was made by Trustee Keenley and seconded by Trustee Niewiardowski. *The motion passed on a 5-0 roll call yote*.
- VI. <u>Presentations</u>. Supervisor Sweeney stated that Michael Bailen, representing Alliant Insurance Services, was present to answer any questions about the 2021 health insurance options that he presented at the last regular Board meeting. There were no questions.
- VII. <u>Elect Official Reports</u>.

A. <u>Assessor</u>. Assessor Carosielli reported that she was very concerned that the Cook County property tax system was being manipulated. There have been a massive number of errors and the County Assessor's apparent decision to reappraise County property in order to take into consideration the negative impact of COVID 19 on property values makes no sense to her. She pointed out that the final impact of COVID 19 on property values is still not known and that, so far, property values have gone up not down. She

also stated that she expects the second installment of the county property tax bill to be mailed late.

- B. <u>Clerk</u>. Clerk Busse submitted a written report addressing recent FOIA requests and filings.
- C. <u>Highway Commissioner</u>. Highway Commissioner Niewiardowski submitted a written report.
- D. <u>Supervisor</u>. Supervisor Sweeny reported that there seemed to be some confusion regarding the upcoming referendum proposing the elimination of the Township Highway Department. He has drafted an informational piece on the referendum which will be posted on social media to direct people to the Township's website. He also reported that a pre-construction meeting was held with Integral Construction concerning the north side project. Integral will begin the removal of the underground storage tanks and the concrete stalls. However, the other elements of the project bike safety course, challenge course and fencing will be delayed, He stated that the latter items are being delayed due to discussions about cost saving opportunities, project phasing and other minor issues.

Supervisor Sweeney asked for a motion to approve the elected official reports. A motion was made by Trustee Niewiardowski and seconded by Trustee Ingraffia. *The motion passed on a voice vote.*

VII. <u>Correspondence</u>. Supervisor Sweeney reported that correspondence was received from Arts Refreshing the Soul stating that due to COVID 19 the program that the Township was supporting with an agency grant was cancelled. Arts Refreshing the Soul, therefore, was declining the funding that was offered.

IX. Old Business.

A. 2021 Health Insurance. Supervisor Sweeney recommended that the Board approve the same Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance policy that the Township provided its employees last year. He noted that the cost of the insurance increased slightly more than 10% and that a competing bid from United Healthcare came in at slightly less than 10%. He stated that he felt the minor cost differential did not warrant a change in insurance providers. He pointed out that the employees were comfortable with the current policy and that Blue Cross Blue Shield has an excellent reputation. He did, however, recommend that the employee premium payment share be increased from 5% to 10%. Trustees Satern, Niewiardowski and Ingraffia all opposed increasing the employee share of the premium cost during the current health crisis. Trustee Satern made a motion to renew the Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance policy with no changes from last year and with no changes to the HSA or the employee premium share. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ingraffia and was passed on a 5-0 roll call vote.

X. New Business.

- A. <u>Resolution 2020-08 Schedule of Township Office Closing Dates for 2021</u>. A motion was made by Trustee Niewiardowski to approve the proposed holiday dates with a change in the holiday name for December 24 from Christmas to Christmas Eve. The motion was seconded by Trustee Keenley and *passed on a voice vote*.
- B. <u>Resolution 2020-09 Schedule of Regular Board Meetings for 2021</u>. A motion was made by Trustee Ingraffia to approve the proposed regular Board meeting dates. The motion was seconded by Trustee Niewiardowski and *passed on a voice vote*.
- C. <u>Proposed Bid Packet to Purchase Two Senior Disabled Buses</u>. Supervisor Sweeney reported that the age and maintenance issues associated with two of the Township's Senior/Disabled Busses warranted their replacement. He asked for a motion to approve the bid notice and packet for replacement. A motion was made by Supervisor Sweeney and seconded by Trustee Niewiardowski. *The motion passed on a 5-0 roll call vote*.
- XI. <u>Adjournment</u>. There being no further business, Supervisor Sweeney asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Trustee Satern and seconded by Trustee Niewiardowski. *The motion passed on a voice vote*. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

George Busse

Elk Grove Township Clerk