

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE RICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 5, 2014**

**Leonard Robinson Family Center
22013 Governors Highway, Richton Park, Illinois**

Call to Order: Supervisor Al Riley called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Supervisor Al Riley; Trustees Nick Bobis, Therese Goodrich, Elliott Johnson and Jackie Small (a quorum)

Officials Present: Assessor Carol Ranieri; Clerk Bobbie King; Highway Commissioner Calvin Jordan

Others Present: Tim Bradford, Township Administrator; Carney Barr, Finance Manager; Frank Garrett, Attorney; Debbie Pascarella, Deputy Clerk; Lynette Elmore, Assistant to the Highway Commissioner; Paula Farr, Village of Matteson Trustee, Everett James, Unincorporated Matteson

PUBLIC HEARING

Supervisor Al Riley announced that this Public Hearing was being held to present Rich Township's 2014-2015 Town Fund and Road & Bridge Budgets and Appropriations. Supervisor Riley and Finance Manager Carney Barr answered questions regarding the proposed Budget and Appropriations Ordinances 14-05 and 14-06; he then closed the hearing, and reconvened the Board Meeting.

Town Fund, General Assistance Fund, Road District Fund, Donation Fund and Senior Companion Fund: Upon a motion made by Trustee Goodrich, seconded by Trustee Small, and unanimously passed by roll call vote, the Board approved Town Fund checks #27335--27586 in the amount of \$321,384.90; General Assistance Fund checks #19684--19872 in the amount of \$35,965.92; Road District Fund checks #5613—5639 in the amount of \$18,991.60 ; Donations Fund checks #1538--1540 in the amount \$12,364.64; and Senior Companion Fund checks #8889--8955 in the amount of \$24,700.57 for the period of 03/28/14 thru 04/30/14.

Approval Of Minutes: Upon a motion made by Trustee Bobis, seconded by Trustee Johnson, and unanimously passed by voice vote, the Board approved the minutes of the April 2, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting as presented.

PUBLIC PETITIONS

Everett James of Unincorporated Matteson stated that he was looking for legal assistance for someone who bought a house from a bank. He added that the person did not have a home inspection, and that the plumbing is in such disrepair that he has been forced to leave the home. Supervisor Riley gave some suggestions including Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan's office, adding that a home inspection is highly recommended when purchasing a home.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Supervisor: Supervisor Riley attended the Huth Career Day, Illinois Math and Science Academy's IMSAloquium, the SSMMA meeting, the Village of Homewood's Economic Development Breakfast, the Diversity Dinner event, the GSU Foundation Scholarship Luncheon, the Good Shepherd Center Fashion Show, the Cancer Support Center Dinner, the Multi-Cultural Communities Dinner and the Pantry Volunteer Luncheon.

Clerk: Clerk Bobbie King asked for volunteers to present the township's scholarship award at Rich Central and Homewood-Flossmoor High Schools. She attended the Pantry Volunteer Luncheon.

Assessor: Assessor Carol Ranieri reported that her office is working on exemptions adding that they have assisted 1,200 people with the exemption process since January. She noted that they are also entering building permits into the computer system. Assessor Ranieri introduced Paula Farr, who is one of her assistants. She attended the Annual Town Meeting and the Pantry Volunteer Luncheon.

Highway Commissioner: Highway Commissioner Calvin Jordan reported that he has locked in salt prices for winter 2014-2015. He noted that his staff is working on old culverts and patching asphalt. Commissioner Jordan added that his department is planning their annual spring cleanup and beautification day. He attended the Annual Town Meeting.

Trustee Goodrich: Attended the Annual Town Meeting, the Fair Housing Dinner, the GSU Foundation Scholarship Luncheon and the Pantry Volunteer Luncheon.

Trustee Johnson: Attended the Cancer Support Dinner, the TOCC Trustee Board meeting, the Annual Town Meeting, the TOCC Executive Board meeting, the GSU Foundation Scholarship Luncheon, New Concepts and School District #159's Career Days and the Pantry Volunteer Luncheon. Trustee Elliott Johnson noted that he would be attending the 2nd Annual Chess Tournament at Colin Powell.

Trustee Bobis: Attended the Crisis Center 35th Anniversary event, the Discover Tinley event, the Annual Town Meeting, the TOCC Trustee Division Board Meeting, and was the speaker at the Pantry Volunteer Luncheon.

Trustee Small: Attended the Annual Town Meeting and the Pantry Volunteer Luncheon. Trustee Jackie Small noted that the Governors State University Mascot would be announced tomorrow.

Attorney: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Township Administrator Tim Bradford distributed and explained a memo regarding 2014-2015 Budget Priorities (attached).

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 14-05 Approving Town, Social Security, Insurance, IMRF, GA Funds 2014-2015 Budget & Appropriations: Upon a motion made by Trustee Goodrich, seconded by Trustee Johnson, and unanimously passed by roll call vote, the Board approved Ordinance 14-05.

Ordinance 14-06 Approving Road & Bridge Fund 2014-2015 Budget and Appropriations: Upon a motion made by Trustee Bobis, seconded by Trustee Goodrich, and unanimously passed by roll call vote, the Board approved Ordinance 14-06.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon a motion made by Trustee Goodrich, seconded by Trustee Johnson, and unanimously approved by voice vote, the Board Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Supervisor

Clerk

Approval by the Board of Trustees

Date: _____

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