

**Greenwood Township**

**McHenry County – State of Illinois**

**5211 Miller Road, Wonder Lake, IL 60097**

**March 21st, 2011**

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**Greenwood Township Board of Trustees**

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

Supervisor Barbara Klasen called the monthly meeting of Greenwood Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Board Members Present:** Trustee Tim Stefaniak, Trustee Christopher Dahm, Trustee Karin Swencki, Trustee Charles Beard.

**Other Members Present:** Highway Commissioner Don Goad, Assessor Karen Roth, Deputy Assessor Randall Roth, Bookkeeper Colleen Dumais, Supervisor Barb Klasen, and Clerk Kendra Rishling.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by Christopher Dahm to approve the minutes from February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011 with corrections discussed. Seconded by Karin Swencki. Motion carried.

**Approval of Township and Road District Bills:** Motion to approve the Township Bills by Tim Stefaniak and Seconded by Karin Swencki. By roll call vote, all in favor said aye. Motion Carried.

Motion to approve the Road District Bills by Tim Stefaniak and seconded by Karin Swencki . By roll call vote, all in favor said aye and motion carried.

**Assessor's Report:** Assessor Karen Roth informed the Board that there will be some updated information to the Township Website.

Motion by Supervisor Barb Klasen to approve a check for 200 dollars to be obtained for the Assessor's office to purchase stamps before the end of March 2011 to mail . Seconded by Karin Swencki. Motion carried.

Board reviewed Assessor's Budget. Trustee Tim Stefaniak asked why they asked for 10 thousand dollars more for next year's budget. Assessor Karen Roth explained that the

increase in legal fees is anticipated for the next year due to the reassessments and discrepancies between homes in similar neighborhoods and work that will have to go into this process.

**Old Business: None**

**New Business:**

Sara Chadderon from Mchenry County Transportation reviewed the services that they offer to the Board. Sara Chadderon explained specifically Pace bus transportation. She also reviewed the Dial a Ride Service. It is a share ride service to keep the cost down. This Dial a Ride is what Sara states the County would like to bring to Greenwood Township. She states as an example this would help people gain access to employment centers and Township Hall. Sara reviewed that the Pace service has their own insurance and that helps save on cost for County and the Township. The savings for the Township to use this service would include not having to pay for vehicle service and maintenance.

Sara Chadderon explained the benefit of knowing cost up front and no hidden costs. It is approximately 7 dollars a trip. Sara explained that the County is looking into receiving grants for this program to aid in continuing to keep cost down for the riders.

A person needs to register in advance to use the service to the Township. The Township will determine the eligibility of its riders. Greenwood Township would be able to connect with Dorr Township to provide these services. It would be 3 dollars each way for rider and the remaining 14 will be paid by Greenwood Township. All the vehicles are wheelchair accessible. There is a link on line to register for the service. Sara provided a map of the service area and routes to the Board.

Supervisor Barb Klasen presented the contract for transportation services from the County. It is already in the Budget for 7 thousand dollars.

Christopher Dahm motioned to approve the contract as presented to enter an agreement between the County and Greenwood Township to provide transportation services as stated in that agreement and Karin Swencki seconded. After a roll call vote, all unanimous motion carried.

Tim Stefaniak motioned to approve the Identity Protection Policy for the Township and seconded by Christopher Dahm. Motion carried.

Christopher Dahm motioned to approve the Identity Protection Policy for the Road District and Tim Stefaniak seconded. Motion carried.

**Audience Questions/Comments: none**

**Supervisor's Report:** Supervisor Barb Klasen asked Board about organizational groups using the facilities for meetings etc. for example, the Four H club and scout troops. The Board agrees that these groups should be able to use the facilities and that rules for use will be set into place by the Board.

Supervisor Barb Klasen presented the Board with a summary explaining the bill from the House(HBO268) . This reviewed and discussed by the Board. This bill will dissolve the local governments. The concern is how will the roads be maintained and who will provide the services to the Townships. What will be the cost to the citizens and who will be responsible for the services that have been rendered by the Townships? There are many questions that remain unanswered. The Board is concerned that information should be provided to the citizens that will be affected by the revocation of the services in the House Bill.

**Road Commissioner's Report :** Highway Commissioner Don Goad reviewed the Ordinance for the Spring Thaw Weight Limits with the Board of Trustees. Tim Stefaniak motioned to approve the Spring Thaw Weight Limits Ordinance and seconded by Karin Swencki. By Roll call vote all Trustees said aye except Christopher Dahm abstained from the vote due to conflict of interest in this matter. Motion carried. The ordinance was reviewed and signed by Highway Commissioner Don Goad and attested by Clerk Kendra Rishling.

Highway Commissioner Don Goad reviewed with the Board that the aide that was requested from FEMA was approved by President Obama from the large snow storms that the Township had this winter.

Highway Commissioner Don Goad requested the minutes reflect his statement that cross culverts and re-ditching will be installed on Lamb Road and this may result in periodic closures of this road in April for three hour increments to complete this process.

**Bookkeeper's Report:** Bookkeeper Colleen Dumais reviewed the monthly financials with the Board and also asked the Board discuss the Tax Anticipation Loan. Colleen stated that the Township will have to utilize the Tax Anticipation Loan to cover payroll and monthly expensed through our first received tax payment. Motion from Tim Stefaniak to approve the Building and Equipment Fund to extend to the Town Fund a Tax Anticipation Warrant not to exceed 30,000 payable to the Town Fund with payment to be made with the Township's first received tax payment. Seconded by Christopher Dahm. By roll call vote all said aye. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn the monthly Board meeting by and seconded by .  
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 855pm.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Kendra Rishling Greenwood Township Clerk