

Rock Island Township

2827 - 7th Avenue, Rock Island, IL. 61201

Town Board Minutes

March 24, 2014 - 4:45 p.m.

I. In attendance: Roll Call: Supervisor: Alan Carmen, Clerk: Joan Clark, Trustees: Heather Gray, Rita Kirk, James H. Kerr & Vincent Thomas. Others in attendance; Rock Island Township Assessor: Brenda Carmen, Township staff: Doris Quigley. Representatives from Heart of Hope: Gloria Campos, Lynda Sargent, Jim Uribe and a representative from Greenbush Neighborhood: Mike Markell. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Carmen at 4:45 p.m. The following township business was transacted:

Pledge of Allegiance

II. Approval of the Minutes from the February 24th, 2014 Board Meeting: (Attachment A) Motion made by Trustee Thomas to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Trustee Gray. Motion passed.

III. Assessors Report: Assessor Carmen stated her office is already in working on the 2015 Quadrennial Year. Updated pictures have been taken of the township and are being entered into the PAMS software.

IV. Review and Approve all claims paid in the Town, General Assistance & Building Funds. December, 2013- January, 2014: (Attachment B) Motion to approve the claims paid in the Town, General Assistance & Building Funds made by Trustee Gray. Seconded by Trustee Kirk. Roll Call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

V. Supervisor's Report

A. Funding Request – Heart of Hope Ministries (Attachment C): Linda Sargent, from Heart of Hope presented a funding request for a new furnace for their building. Motion made by Trustee Kerr to deny the request. Seconded by Trustee Gray. Roll Call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed. The group was encouraged to reapply for funding in a lesser amount for an outreach program that would help to address needs in the township. The board also praised the group for their current work in the community.

B. Funding Request – Greenbush Neighbors – Easter Egg Hunt (Attachment D) Motion to approve the request for \$250.00 made by Trustee Gray. Seconded by Trustee Thomas. Roll Call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

C. Funding Request- Greenbush Neighbors Liability Premium (Attachment E). The board discussed the request and if it fit with the priorities set in 2013. Motion to deny the request because it did not meet the youth, senior or veteran priorities set by the board made by Trustee Kirk. Seconded by Trustee Thomas. Roll Call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

D. Funding Request – Post Prom Party at Rock Island High School (Attachment F): Motion to deny the request made by Trustee Gray. Seconded by Trustee Kirk. Roll Call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

E. Lease Renewal – Safer Foundation (Attachment G) Motion to renew the Safer Foundation lease for 16 months, with a term of June 1, 2014-September 30, 2015 and a \$7.00 monthly increase (\$357.00 to \$364.00 per month), and authorize the Township Supervisor to execute the amendment made by Trustee Thomas. Seconded by Trustee Gray. Roll Call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

F. Transfer of Appropriation Resolutions: General Assistance and Building Funds (Attachment H) Motion to approve the Transfer of Appropriation Resolutions for the General Assistance and Building Funds made by Trustee Kirk. Seconded by Trustee Gray. Roll Call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

G. Approval of Annual Town Meeting Agenda (Attachment I). Motion to approve the Annual Town Meeting Agenda made by Trustee Thomas. Seconded by Trustee Gray. Roll Call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

H. Town Budget – 3rd Draft. The board reviewed the draft budget. Supervisor Carmen stated the budget will be approved at the April, 2014 board meeting. The public hearing will be held at the same time.

I. Items of Interest

Item	Update
Website	Work continues with Augustana. Supervisor Carmen offered to help those who had not yet completed their bio's.
Newsletter	Draft to be provided in April.
Emergency Food & Shelter grant.	No change. Still waiting for funding to arrive.
Building Improvements	Supervisor met with the Architect Milani to discuss potential improvements. (See Attachment K)
Requests for Funding	Expecting a request from the KeyStone Neighborhood Association.
King Center	Rock Island Township was recognized for our \$2,000 award for the Centers A.C.T.I.V.E. Club. Photos will be taken for future recognition at a date in the near future. Trustees will be notified.

J. Sacred Heart Food Pantry/St. Joseph Evening Meal. A total of 1,375 people were provided with food and/or a hot meal from February 20th – March 19th. Sacred Heart Food Pantry – 832; St. Joseph Evening Meal – 543

K. General Assistance Activity – February, 2014

- a) Number of Active Clients – 59
- b) Number of Intakes – 4
- c) Number of Terminated/Denied/Left Program – 6

VI. New Business:

- Supervisor Carmen reported the Annual Town Meeting is scheduled for April 8th, 2014 at 6:01 p.m. He encouraged the board to attend.

VII. Adjournment: Trustee Kerr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Gray seconded the motion. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Joan Clark, Town Clerk

Rock Island Township Mission Statement

To professionally, courteously, equitably and efficiently administer General Assistance, property assessment and other programs and to properly maintain the Township Hall and property for the benefit of Township residents and the building's tenants.