

August 2022 Minutes Jackson Township Board

Call to Order: @6:30

# Pledge to the Flag:

#### Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Trustee N. Fanning, Trustee Hallihan, Trustee O'Connell, Supervisor Robbins, Highway Commissioner Walsh, Clerk Hunt, Assessor LeGrett; also present was our Attorney Jim Harvey Not Present: Jake Fanning

# Items of Public Concern:

Residents Becky Robbins and Jill Prieboy reported that Irish for a Cure has raised over \$90,000 with the support of Jackson Township.

Rayna Brophy was present asking about the Jackson Township Board taking over Maple Hill Cemetery. She reached out to the Village and got no response. She is requesting that the Township take over the cemetery. She has contacted the state and wants to know if we are interested in moving forward.

## **Unfinished Business:** None

## New Business:

**Approval of July 2022 Minutes:** Motion to approve July 2022 Minutes with changes made by Trustee O'Connell. Second by Trustee Hallihan. Roll Call Vote: Trustee N. Fanning AYE, Trustee Hallihan AYE. Trustee O'Connell AYE All in Favor. Motion Passed.

**Approval of Financial Statements:** Motion to approve the included Financial Statements made by Trustee Hallihan. Second by Trustee N. Fanning. Roll Call Vote: Trustee N. Fanning AYE, Trustee Hallihan AYE, Trustee O'Connell AYE. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

## **Consideration of Donation:**

- Will County Center for Community Concerns sent a flyer showing what they have done for residents. They have handed out over \$20,000 to Jackson Township Residents. Supervisor Robbins directs residents to this entity if they call for assistance. A motion to donate \$1,000 was made by Trustee Hallihan. Second by Trustee O'Connell. Roll Call Vote: Trustee N. Fanning AYE, Trustee Hallihan AYE, Trustee O'Connell AYE. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
- Joliet Township Athletic Boosters requested a donation. A motion to donate \$600 was made by Trustee O'Connell. Second by Trustee Hallihan. Roll Call Vote: Trustee N. Fanning AYE, Trustee Hallihan AYE, Trustee O'Connell AYE. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
- Irish for a Cure requested a donation. A motion to donate \$1,000 to Lightways Hospice by Trustee O'Connell Second by Trustee N. Fanning. Roll Call Vote: Trustee N. Fanning AYE, Trustee Hallihan AYE, Trustee O'Connell AYE. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

## Capital Plan: nothing new to report

**Surf Broadband:** Pat McCauley was present as the director of construction for Surf Broadband. They did some work inside our right aways without the proper permits. There was some miscommunication amongst Surf Broadband and the construction company. They are happy to fix anything that was damaged as a result of the miscommunication. HC Walsh said he has received complaints about the construction and they will need to determine if any damage has been done as time goes on. HC Walsh is concerned that this is being installed without the residents actually being interested in the service. HC Walsh requested that anything that has been put out there be removed because there was no permission given.

**General Assistance:** Supervisor Robbins wanted to discuss the standard for Emergency Assistance and General Assistance. He would like to increase the amount of General Assistance. A motion was made by Trustee O'Connell to increase General Assistance to \$350. Second by Trustee Hallihan. Roll Call Vote: Trustee N. Fanning AYE, Trustee Hallihan AYE, Trustee O'Connell AYE. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

# Reports

**Assessor's Report:** Assessor LeGrett said Julie Friebele from the Village called to thank for our sponsorship to Elwood Days. Notices went out today so she will be fielding some calls over the next few weeks.

**Road Report:** HC Walsh reported that he was contacted by RLM asking for permission to get work done in the township to install broadband and then later received an email saying that the broadband will be installed. HC Walsh noticed that they were doing work in Glad Dale Subdivision without permission. Surf Broadband came to out meeting and HC Walsh requested they remove what they installed without permission. The HC for Custer Township has called and they have to back out on buying the truck. HC Walsh is going to put an ad in the Township Perspective to try and sell it. Because the stone quarries were on strike the price of asphalt has gone up by 20%. He feels that waiting on some paving projects would be prudent in this situation. HC Walsh updated us on Northpoint construction north of Noel Rd.

**Town Report:** We received some drawings of the building the Village wants to build for the Children's Garden that we have donated \$2500 to. Supervisor Robbins received confirmation from ARPA in regards to the grant and they are going to approve \$2500 for our new computers. The Village of Elwood is trying to build a trail to link Wilmington and Elwood to go into Midewin and Jackson Township wrote a letter in support of that. Trustee N. Fanning will be the Grand Marshall of the Elwood Days parade. The township will have the pickup truck in the parade and we will have candy for it. Attorney Harvey reported that Jackson Township and Assessor LeGrett have been dismissed with prejudice in the Jackson Generation case.

**Trustee Comments:** Trustee Fanning reported that the new fire chief communicated to him that he was impressed with our meeting that he attended last month.

## **Expenditures**

**Road and Bridge Bills:** Motion to approve the Road and Bridge Bills made by Trustee O'Connell. Second by Trustee Hallihan. Roll Call Vote: Trustee N. Fanning AYE, Trustee Hallihan AYE, Trustee O'Connell AYE. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

## County Aid to Bridge Bills: None

**Town Fund Bills:** Motion to approve Town Fund Bills made by Trustee N. Fanning. Second by Trustee Hallihan. Roll Call Vote: Trustee N. Fanning AYE, Trustee Hallihan AYE, Trustee O'Connell AYE. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

# Closed Session: No Closed Session was Held

Next Meeting(s):

- Monthly Meeting: Wednesday September 14th 6:30 pm

Motion to adjourn @ 7:40 made by Supervisor Robbins. Second by Trustee O'Connell. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

Respectfully Submitted

Kathryn Hunt

Kathryn Hunt, Clerk