



## November 2023 Minutes Jackson Township Board

**Call to Order:** @6:30

**Pledge to the Flag:**

**Roll Call** Roll Call: Present: Trustee J. Fanning, Trustee N. Fanning, Trustee Hallihan, Trustee O'Connell, Supervisor Robbins, Highway Commissioner Walsh, Clerk Hunt, also present was our Attorney John Gallo Absent: Assessor LeGrett

**Items of Public Concern:** Christine Elanowski lives in Tanglewood, she said that everyone put their leaves in the road because in the past something came by and picked up all of the leaves and HC Walsh said he put the sign up that said Street Sweeping so people would not park in the street and she said she would let all the neighbors know that it is to keep the curbs and catch basins clear. She also let HC Walsh know that it is 99% retired people over 65, there are only 2 families that have school aged children. She would like to request that the snow plows not pile the snow up on the driveways. She asked if we were familiar with Munch Lane, and Paul Buss said it was an abandoned Township Rd, she asked who owns Munch Lane. HC Walsh said it is a private lane and she wanted to know who owned it because people don't want people to walk on the road. Our Attorney explained that it is a private road and the people living on it can ask that people not be on it.

**Unfinished Business: None**

**New Business:**

**Approval of October 2023 Minutes:** Motion to approve October 2023 Minutes with change made by Trustee O'Connell. Second by Trustee Hallihan. Roll Call Vote: Trustee J. Fanning AYE, Trustee N. Fanning AYE, Trustee Hallihan AYE, Trustee O'Connell AYE. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

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

**Consideration of Donation:**

- Thank you from Pink Heals and Lightways Hospice
- Donation request from Elwood Baseball. Motion to donate \$1,000 made by Trustee O'Connell. Second by N. Fanning Roll Call Vote: Trustee J. Fanning AYE, Trustee N. Fanning AYE, Trustee Hallihan AYE, Trustee O'Connell, AYE. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
- Donation request from Will County Center for Community Concerns. We just donated \$1,000 in July.

**Capital Plan:** Supervisor Robbins spoke to someone at ComEd about the pole. The person went and looked at the property and if it is not in an easement, it is their responsibility and they will move it. If it is in an easement, it would be our responsibility to move it.

### **Discussion of Levy (Determine Levy):**

- HC Walsh is suggesting that we go with the option of no increase from the 2022 extension, which would lower the Township Road District portion of the tax bill.
- Supervisor Robbins is suggesting we go with the option of no increase from the 2022 extension, which would lower the Township Town Fund district of the tax bill.

**Christmas Toy Drive:** November 18<sup>th</sup> we will hand out Thanksgiving Baskets. We have 27 people signed up and we are going to order 30. We are partnering with the Village. December 1<sup>st</sup> is the Holiday Parade through town. We will put a truck in the parade. The Toy Drive is December 8<sup>th</sup> at Stone City. Amy Walsh Vega is looking for raffle baskets. Right now we have 45 families, many with older children. She has put tags out at the school, the church, the Village Hall and the Elwood Facebook Page. We will hand out Christmas Baskets on the 16<sup>th</sup> of December along with the Toys.

**Township Website:** Township Officials of Illinois is not doing the websites any longer. They referred us to someone in Carbondale. Assessor LeGrett would like to do the website with the person who runs the assessor site. The girls in the office will help with updating the website. She will be contacting him tomorrow.

**2024 Meeting Dates/Times:** All meetings will be held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm with the exception of April, it will be held immediately after our Town Hall meeting on Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Reports-**

**Assessor's Report:** Appeals are going well.

**Road Report:** There was a street sweeping scheduled for today. Homewood Disposal does it for us. It will be done again before they put up snow plow markers for when the snow plows are out. It is done in the subdivisions that has curbs. When the snow falls they will be ready.

**Town Report:** A bill was sent by Andy Partak.

**Trustee Comments:** None

### **Expenditures**

**Road and Bridge Bills:** Motion to approve the Road and Bridge Bills made by Trustee Hallihan. Second by Trustee J. Fanning. Roll Call Vote: Trustee J. Fanning AYE, 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 Hallihan Second by Trustee N. Fanning. Roll Call Vote: Trustee J. Fanning AYE, 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: December 13<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 6:30**

Motion to adjourn at 7:09 made by Trustee O'Connell. Second by Trustee N. Fanning. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

Respectfully Submitted

*Kathryn Hunt*

Kathryn Hunt, Clerk