

Rock Island Township

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

Town Board Minutes

January 26, 2015

4:15 p.m.

I. In attendance: Roll Call: Supervisor Alan Carmen, Clerk Joan Clark, Trustees Heather Gray, Rita Kirk, James H. Kerr Sr., and Vince Thomas. Others in attendance: Assessor Brenda Carmen, Township staff: Doris Quigley and Representative from the RI/Milan Little League: John Wilde. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Carmen at 4:15 p.m. The following township business was transacted:

Pledge of Allegiance

II. Approval of the Minutes from the December 22, 2014 Board Meeting: Motion made by Trustee Kerr to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Trustee Kirk. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Assessor's Report: Assessor Carmen handed out her 2015-16 Budget Request of \$135,200.00, an increase of \$1,900, for the Board's information.

IV. Review and Approval – claims paid in Township funds: December 2014 – January 2015. Motion made by Trustee Gray to approve the claims as presented. Seconded by Trustee Thomas. Roll Call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

V. Supervisor's Report

A) Request from Rock Island/Milan Little League for Youth Scholarships: John Wilde, representing the RI/Milan Little League, presented a proposal to allow and encourage RI youth to participate in Little League. He stated progress had already been seen in involving township youth at a promotion at the King Center. Trustee Thomas made a motion to approve \$1,500.00 in funding for scholarships for Rock Island Township youth to participate in the Rock Island Milan Little League, paid out in \$500.00 increments. Trustee Gray seconded the motion. Roll Call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

B) Rock Island/Milan Little League Team Sponsorship: Motion made by Trustee Gray to approve sponsoring a Rock Island Milan Little League team in the amount of \$300.00. Seconded by Trustee Thomas. Roll call: Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed. Trustee Gray requested that a schedule of games be sent to the township as soon as one is available. Mr. Wilde assured her a schedule would be sent.

C) 2015 – 2016 Draft Budget: Supervisor Carmen handed out the township 2015-2016 Draft Budget. There was no discussion. Total draft appropriation is General Town Fund: \$388,200.00, Audit Fund: \$5075.00, Insurance Fund: 11,000.00, IMRF Fund: \$22,000.00, Social Security Fund: \$24,000.00, General Assistance Fund: \$145,850.00, Building Fund: \$100,700.00. Total Appropriation: \$696,825.00. Details to be reviewed at future meetings.

D) Authorization to Participate in IMRF Long Term Care Program: Supervisor Carmen stated employees deciding to participate in the Long Term Care Program will be responsible for payments. The Township will not be responsible for any payroll deductions or processing; this is simply being offered by IMRF to participants and their families and is strictly voluntary. Trustee Gray made a motion to authorize participation in the IMRF Long Term Care Program. Trustee Kirk seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

E) Items of Interest (Attachment G)

Item	Update
Newsletter	Dispatch has sent a letter from the Supervisor soliciting ads. Supervisor sent Township-wide mailing list consisting of 5,878 addresses. Board will review Stecker Graphics logo concepts at this meeting. Board leaned towards RI Lines Rocket.
Emergency Food & Shelter	The Clerk reported the 2015 application for Emergency Food & Shelter funds will be submitted by January 30, 2015.
Additional Building Improvements	A variety of building improvements were presented. Mid-American rebate is approximately \$5,300.00. Ribbon cutting to show-off our building is scheduled for mid-February
TOI Training	Board asked to mark calendars for Rockford Training on Friday, July 17 th .

F) **Sacred Heart Food Pantry/St Joseph Evening Meal:** A total of 1,846 people were provided with food and/or a hot meal from December 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014: Sacred Heart Food Pantry - 1,051; St. Joseph Evening Meal – 665

G) **General Assistance Activity – September 2014**

- a) Number of Active Clients – 60
- b) Number of Intakes – 7
- c) Number Terminated/Denied/Left Program – 13

VI. **New Business:**

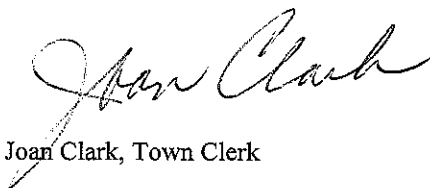
Per request of Rock Island County, the Town Clerk reported she had submitted an updated list of elected officials and their addresses to the County. The County will use the list to mail out the Economic Interest Statements, which must be filled out by all elected officials. The statements will go out in February. The board was reminded to fill out the form and bring the receipts for filing them back to the Township Clerk.

VII. **Public Comments: Trustees, Assessor, Supervisor, Public:** None

VIII. **Adjournment:**

Trustee Kerr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Trustee Gray. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 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.