

## Rock Island Township

2827 - 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Rock Island, IL. 61201

### Town Board Minutes

Monday September 25, 2017 - 4:15 p.m.

**I. In attendance:** Roll Call: Supervisor Alan Carmen, Clerk Joan Clark, Trustees: Heather Gray, Vincent Thomas and Rita Kirk. Trustee James Kerr was absent. Others in attendance: Assessor Brenda Carmen, township staff Doris Quigley & Church of Peace Food Pantry representative, George Oelschlaeger. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Alan Carmen at 4:15 p.m. The following township business was transacted:

#### Pledge of Allegiance

**II. Approval of the Minutes from the August 28, 2017 Board Meeting (Attachment A):** Motion made by Trustee Gray with corrections, to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Trustee Kirk. Motion passed.

**III. Assessor's Report:** Assessor Carmen reported the deadline for appeals is October 16<sup>th</sup>. There are currently 5 appeals.

**IV. Review and Approval – claims paid in Township funds 8/22/2017 – 9/20/2017 (Attachment B):** Motion made by Trustee Kirk to approve the claims in the Town, General Assistance & Building Funds; seconded by Trustee Gray. Roll Call: Trustee Kerr, Absent; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

#### **V. Supervisor's Report:**

**A.) Approval of One Human Family QC Resolution (Attachment C)** Supervisor Carmen reviewed the Resolution with the Board. The Resolution Affirms a Safe, Welcoming and Diverse Quad City Community. Motion to approve the Resolution made by Trustee Kirk; seconded by Trustee Gray. Roll Call: Trustee Kerr, Absent; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed. The One Human Family QC Resolution will be posted on the township website.

**B.) Church of Peace Food Pantry Funding Request (Attachment D)** George Oelschlaeger, Volunteer Coordinator Church of Peace Food Pantry, presented the Pantry request for \$1500.00. He stated the Pantry week-end hours often help 150 people during open hours who can't get to the pantry during the week because of work. Motion to approve the Church of Peace Food Pantry Request in the amount of \$1,500.00 made by Trustee Gray; seconded by Trustee Thomas. Roll Call: Trustee Kerr, Absent; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Thomas Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed. The board thanked Mr. Oelschlaeger for the good work the Pantry does.

Trustee Kerr enters the meeting.

**C.) Approval of Snow Removal Agreement (Attachment E)** Motion to approve the 2017/2018 Snow Removal/Salting Bid provided by Master Design Landscape made by Trustee Gray; seconded by Trustee Kirk. Roll Call: Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed. A copy of the Bid is available in the packet information.

**D.) Items of Interest** (can be found in the packet information.)

The board discussed Rock Island Township – Township Day held on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017. Everyone was very pleased with the 300+ turnout for the event. The sign dedicating the township garden to Matthew Parker, Jr. was a big success. Supervisor Carmen will send a write – up into TOI for Perspective. Clerk Joan Clark will provide the pictures. The board decided to donate \$200.00 to Morten's Evolution Records Studios for the background music played during the event and \$200.00 for the excellent performance of the Metropolitan Youth Group. The donations were part of funds already appropriated for Township Day.

**E.) Food Pantry / Meal Site:** A total of 3,183 people were provided with food and/or a hot meal during July, 2017

Sacred Heart Food Pantry – 1,245, Fiscal year to date: 5,400. St. Joseph Evening Meal – 1,135, Fiscal year to date: 5,070. The Church of Peace Food Pantry served – 803; fiscal year total: 3,963.

**F.) Emergency Assistance Activity – August 2017:** a) Number of Active Clients – 48 b) Number of Intakes – 6 c) Number Terminated/Denied/Left Program – 7

<b>G.) Emergency Assistance:</b>	August	Fiscal Year 4/1/17 – 3/31/18
a) Number of applications taken	14	61
b) Approved applications	13	38 (25 rent; 16 utilities)
c) Denied	1 (withdrawn)	1

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d) Not returned

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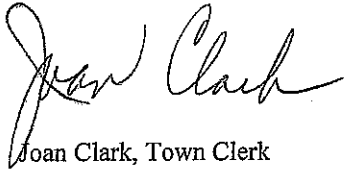
e) Funds spent - \$13,786.93 (\$363 average)

**VI. New Business:** Trustee Kirk asked Supervisor Carmen to check the Mid America security light directed at the Matthew Parker Garden and to also check the cost of a motion light that would be focused on the Matthew Parker dedication sign.

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

**VIII. Adjournment:** Trustee Gray made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Trustee Kerr. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 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.