

Minutes of a Meeting of the Joliet Township Board 175 W. Jefferson St., Joliet, IL 60432 Tuesday, March 9, 2021

The regular town board meeting, being held at 175 West Jefferson Street, Joliet Township government offices, Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. was called to order by Supervisor Daniel L. Vera. The meeting was held via telephone conference due to ongoing concerns with Covid-19. The following official business was transacted:

The Clerk led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. The Clerk called the roll as follows:

TRUSTEES: Raymond F. Slattery Present

Archie Gavin Present Rosie Verdin Present Brian Hertzmann Absent

SUPERVISOR: Daniel L. Vera Present

CLERK: Julie A. Kinsella Present

OTHER OFFICIALS: Commissioner Michael Turnbull Present

Assessor James Brenczewski Present

ALSO PRESENT: Township Finance Director Colleen Witt, Township Attorney James Harvey, Diane Harris, and Tim Hendricks.

## **Approval of the Minutes:**

Regular Town Minutes/February 23, 2021: Trustee Slattery moved to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2021 Town Board Meeting, and to waive the reading of these minutes inasmuch as copies had previously been delivered. Seconded by Trustee Gavin. A roll call vote was taken.<sup>1</sup>

## **Public Comment: NONE**

## **New Business:**

Approve /GT2021-01 Oakwood Cemetery Lane Improvements: Supervisor Vera noted that the bid opening was held on February 24, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. Four bids were received and were opened in order of reception. Austin Tyler had the lowest responsible bid of \$86,562.00. Engineering estimate was for a cost of \$93,808.00. Trustee Slattery moved to approve the award of the contract GT2021-01 Oakwood Cemetery Lane Improvements to Austin Tyler for \$86,562.00. Seconded by Trustee Verdin. Supervisor Vera also noted that the request for bids was published in the Joliet Herald News on February 12, 2021. A roll call vote was taken.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Roll call vote: Ayes (4) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Roll call vote: Ayes (4) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0).

## **Reports:**

<u>Supervisor Vera</u>: Supervisor Vera noted that the board packets included the General Assistance, Animal Control, as well as the report from the Highway Commissioner. Vera noted that he had attended the bid opening with the Town Clerk on February 24, 2021, met with the tree contractor to walk the Cemetery to review what was needed to complete the last of the storm damage from last summer and high winds. He reported day-to-day operations, and also thanked Township Attorney Jim Harvey for meeting to review some questions.

<u>Town Clerk:</u> Clerk Kinsella reported that she had been busy with legal notices, the bid opening, and other than that, day-to-day operations.

<u>Finance Director:</u> Director Witt reported that the financial statements through February 28th are complete and a copy of each has been placed in each of the board packets. Bank reconciliations for February are also complete and are available at the office for review. She stated that she emailed the February financials and reconciled bank statements to the Highway Commissioner yesterday. She also filed the February unemployment report and also filed and paid the February IMRF report. Other than that, just day-to-day operations.

Attorney Harvey: Attorney Harvey reported routine matters as needed.

<u>Assessor:</u> Assessor Brenczewski reported that they were meeting with Jerry with AIMS on Thursday, and other than that, day-to-day operations.

<u>Highway Commissioner:</u> Commissioner Turnbull had submitted his written report.

**Receipts:** Trustee Slattery made a motion to deposit all cash receipts into their proper accounts as presented for the period ending March 9, 2021. Seconded by Trustee Gavin. Roll call vote was taken.<sup>3</sup>

**Expenditures:** The Supervisor presented the following invoices for Town Board approval for the period ending March 9, 2021:

FUND EXPENDITURES \$63,281.86

Motion: Trustee Slattery Second: Trustee Verdin Roll Call: Ayes 4, Nays 0<sup>4</sup>

Capital Fund: No bills presented for this fund.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (4) Trustees Slattery, Gayin, Verdin, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (4) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

General Assistance \$10,300.34

Motion: Trustee Verdin Second: Trustee Slattery Roll Call: Ayes 4, Nays 0<sup>5</sup>

Road and Bridge \$51,512.24

Motion: Trustee Gavin Second: Trustee Verdin Roll Call: Ayes 4, Nays 0<sup>6</sup>

Commissioner Turnbull asserted that he was in agreement with the bills presented for payment.

Animal Control \$32,730.09

Motion: Trustee Slattery Second: Trustee Gavin Roll Call: Ayes 4, Nays 0<sup>7</sup>

Senior Fund \$3,500.00

Motion: Trustee Gavin Second: Trustee Verdin Roll Call: Ayes 4, Nays 0<sup>8</sup>

**Closed Session: NONE** 

**Adjournment:** Trustee Verdin moved to adjourn the town board meeting to Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Gavin. A roll call vote was taken.<sup>9</sup> The March 9, 2021 meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Kinsella, Town Clerk

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (4) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (4) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (4) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

<sup>8</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (4) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)