

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAK PARK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2020, ELECTRONICALLY CONDUCTED

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Clerk White called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and the meeting was conducted electronically. On the call of the roll the following participated: Supervisor Clarmarie Keenan, Trustees Margaret Trybus, Ade Onayemi, Michelle Mbekeani, Eric Davis and Clerk Gregory White. Township Manager Gavin Morgan, Attorney John Garofalo, Senior Services Director Pamela Mahn, and CMHB Executive Director Lisa DiVivo. also participated in the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Valerie Lester of the Senior Citizens Services Committee addressed the Board and spoke in support of participation in the *Home Repair Program*.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Onayemi moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including the Minutes of the October 13, 2020 Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, and Township bills for the period August 22, 2020 through October 16, 2020. Trustee Davis seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

ACCEPTANCE OF FY2020CAFR/FINANCIAL AUDIT

Brian LeFevre of Sikich LLC presented his firm's findings in the CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) for Oak Park Township for FY2020. He explained the procedures for the audit, and the financial reporting of revenues, expenditures, fund balances and financial commentary for the Township. The firm commended the Township for being in sound financial condition and adherence to funding policies and standards.

Trustee Davis then moved to accept the **FY2020 CAFR/FINANCIAL AUDIT** as presented by Sikich LLC. Trustee Trybus seconded the motion which passed unanimously. A copy of the CAFR is available in the Clerk's Office for public inspection.

APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS

Manager Morgan requested Board authorization for approval of the Resolution authorizing him to sign the **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH COOK COUNTY FOR CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS**, which was approved by the Board at the October 13 Regular Board Meeting. Trustee Onayemi moved to authorize the Manager to enter into the agreement. Supervisor Keenan seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF OPRF HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

Manager Morgan and Senior Services Director Pamela Mahn explained the proposed *Home Repair Program* to Board members and requested Township support and participation. Both the SCSC and AgeOptions support the program, which provides minor home repair assistance to area seniors. It was the Board's consensus to support Township participation in the program.

DISCUSSION OF 2020 TAX LEVY

Manager Morgan shared study sheets with Board members on projected revenues, expenditures and fund balances for the Town, General Assistance, and Community

Mental Health Funds to assist in preparation for the 2020 annual tax levies. The sheets also contained three options for levy growth for the Board's consideration. A formal recommendation will be presented at the next Board meeting.

SETTING OF ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARIES FOR 2021-2025 TERM

Board members agreed to maintain the current salary levels for elected Township officials for the next term, while allowing for annual cost of living increases. The formal resolution will be presented at the November 17 Board Meeting.

BRIEF REPORTS

Manager Morgan reported on the task force for reopening of the Township Offices and expressed gratitude to staff for their fine efforts in response to the COVID pandemic and obstacles to services. The Township has seen an increase in demand for medical equipment loaned to local citizens in need.

Clerk White reported on community preparation and activities for the upcoming General Election in November, and that the Township will serve as a polling place on Election Day, November 3.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Oak Park Township Board of Trustees will be a Regular Board of Trustees Meeting conducted electronically among Board members at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 17, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Onayemi moved to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Trustee Trybus seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by
and recorded in the office of

Gregory White, Township Clerk

Approved: