

ROCKFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES

December 5, 2023

The Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the **Board of Trustees of the Town of Rockford**, held at 315 North Church Street, Rockford, Illinois was called to order at 4:30 PM.

Present:	Township Supervisor	Jasper St. Angel
	Township Clerk	Carl Wasco
	Highway Commissioner	Dan Conness
	Trustees	Frank Manzullo
		Doug Mark

Absent: Trustees Abdall and Johnson

Staff and Guests: Vicky Carlson, Page Ansley, Ricardo Aparicio, and Paula Lind

Call to Order:

Supervisor St. Angel called the meeting to order.

Town Clerk Carl Wasco led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Trustee Mark moved to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2023 meeting. Trustee Manzullo seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

Public Participation: None

Correspondence and Communication:

Supervisor St. Angel requested a moment of silence for the passing of Charles "Chuck" Knight. Chuck was a former, long-time UAW 592 member, as well as a Harlem Township Trustee from 1998-2006.

Transfers: None

Reports:

Office Manager Paige Ansley reported status on the residential and commercial assessment appeals and the Board of Review hearing schedule.

Highway Commissioner Dan Conness reported that the department crews continue work on their regular maintenance schedule of fall leaves, patching, maintenance and snow operations.

Administrative Assistant Paula Lind reported on the November Rockford Township General Assistance Census.

Review and Approval of Bills:

Trustee Manzullo moved to approve the bills as presented. Trustee Mark seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

General Assistance	\$41,484.03
Town Funds	\$29,457.24
Road & Bridge Funds	\$72,093.84

Financial Status:

The financial reports were distributed for Board review.

Tax Abatement Program

Office Manager Paige Ansley reported on the Tax Abatement Program in detail. She further reported that the impact to the township regarding a three-year tax abatement for new construction of single-family homes and multi-family units would be relatively insignificant. Board further discussed joining the City of Rockford, Rockford Public School District and the Park District initiative to grow the property tax base. Trustee Mark moved to approve the Tax Abatement Incentive as presented. Trustee Manzullo seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Ayes 3 Nays: 0

New Business:

Supervisor St. Angel presented the Annual 2023 Tax Levy for Corporate and General Assistance. Discussion was held.

Highway Commissioner Dan Conness presented the Annual 2023 Tax Levy for Road and Bridge and the Road and Road and Bridge Retirement. Discussion was held.

Trustee Mark moved to approved the Rockford Township Annual 2023 Tax Levies for Corporate & General Assistance and for the Road & Bridge and Road & Bridge Retirement. Trustee Manzullo seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

Meeting of the Town Board adjourned at 5:01 P.M.

The next Town Board meeting will be held on December 19, 2023 at 4:30 pm.

Trustee Manzullo

Trustee Mark

Trustee Abdall

Trustee Johnson

Jasper St. Angel, Supervisor

Respectfully submitted,
Carl R. Wasco, Town Clerk

Date