

MINUTES – ANNUAL TOWN MEETING-APRIL 10, 2012

STATE OF ILLINOIS LAKE COUNTY TOWN OF LIBERTYVILLE

The Annual Town Meeting held in said Town and County at the Libertyville Township Hall, 359 Merrill Ct. on April 10, 2012. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Township Clerk, Anne Hansen. A moment of silence for our troops around the world and a Pledge to the flag was recited by all.

ELECTION OF MODERATOR

Clerk Hansen asked for nominations from the floor for a moderator for this Meeting. Motion by Peggy Freese with a second by August Hock to nominate Kathi Machado to serve as Moderator for this Annual Town Meeting. Nominations were asked for from the floor two additional times, followed by a motion by Sari Hurtig with a second by Trustee Mittelman to close the nominations and elect Kathi Machado. All approved. Clerk Hansen then read the oath and it was officially signed for the minutes. Clerk Hansen introduced the elected officials to the public as well as the Township staff in attendance. Clerk Hansen said Libertyville Township is a fine example of how small government is supposed to work, and she thanked the staff for their hard work and dedication.

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APPROVAL OF ANNUAL TOWN MINUTES – APRIL 12, 2011

Moderator Kathi Machado stated that there are copies of last year's minutes as well as the Supervisor's Financial Report for all in attendance.

Motion by August Hock with a second by Peggy Freese to waive the reading of the minutes of April 12, 2011, and to approve. All approved.

RESOLUTION 2012-R-6-REGARDING THE SALE OF ROAD DISTRICT PROPERTY.

Clerk Hansen read Resolution 2012-R-6. regarding the sale of the 1999 Dodge Truck. A motion by August Hock seconded by Peggy Freese, all in favor, aye. Clerk Hansen recorded the Ayes, no Nays.

TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Trustees thanked the staff and the Board for the privilege to serve the Township.

Trustee Hurtig said she is proud of the work that is done at the Township and she encourages residents to come to the meetings. Trustee R.O'Connor said that it is a privilege to serve with such good people. Trustee White encouraged residents to register to vote and thanked the public for the opportunity to serve them.

Moderator Kathi Machado asked for a motion to approve the Trustees' report as presented. A motion by Cam Hock, seconded by Faith Sage. All in favor, aye.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Assessor Peggy Freese stated that the year 2012 looks to be another challenging year. The economy is still down as are sales. For tax year 2011 we only had approximately 325 residential sales. 2011 total EAV=just over 3 billion which has fallen about 4% each of last 2 years. Still, Libertyville Township has 2nd highest EAV in Lake County. We are anticipating another down year in the housing industry. This is causing more filings at the Board of Review. As always, we recommend when the Blue cards get mailed out in the fall, come see the Assessor's office if you have any questions. Assessor Freese said their office is trying to get the Board of Review to follow the same statutory guidelines that the Township follows. Assessor Freese is hoping legislation passes so everyone is on the same page and there are no discrepancies. Discussion ensued.

A motion by Cam Hock, and a second by Kathleen O'Connor to accept the Assessor's report as read, all approved.

CLERK'S REPORT- SUPERVISOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

Moderator Kathi Machado asked for a motion to wave the reading of the Supervisor's Annual Report, since copies were made available for all to review. A motion by Sari Hurtig and a second by Trustee Mittelman, all approved.

Motion by Cam Hock with a second by Rick Mittelman to accept the Supervisor's Financial Statement as presented, all approved.

Clerk Hansen thanked the public, elected officials and Township staff, and she looks forward to working with all of them in the future.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER REPORT

Highway Commissioner Bill Morgan thanked his fellow officials, Township staff, the Assessor's Office, and in particular the Road and Bridge staff, Herb Potter and Mike Zorn, for all their help during the past year. He said that he is very proud that for 12 years his budget has always run in the black. Motion by Trustee White with a second by Trustee Mittelman to accept the Highway Commissioner's report as presented, all in favor, aye.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor O'Connor said she would like to take this opportunity to thank the Township Staff: Linda Blatnik, Damon Cederberg, Gloria Dail, Pam Milroy, Alex Rodriquez, Chris Slago, and Donna Von Allmen for their support and she thanked Anne Hansen, Peggy Freese, Bill Morgan, Rick Mittelman, Sari Hurtig, Robin O'Connor and Terry White. The Township is extremely well represented by your service and commitment to the community. Supervisor O'Connor also thanked Kathie Machado for her willingness to serve as the Moderator for Tonight's meeting.

Supervisor O'Connor said she is grateful for the close working relationship with the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, Lake County Engineering and Environmental Services, Lake County Department of Transportation, Lake County Planning, Building and Development, the Village of Libertyville and the various townships in the County. These strong partnerships have been instrumental as we serve the residents of Libertyville Township.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE REPORT-Supervisor O'Connor

The Township's primary responsibility is to serve those in need in the Township. This responsibility is carried out through our Food Pantry, General Assistance Program, the Emergency Assistance Program and connecting individuals to resources. Beginning in 2010, the Township provided an annual social service report which documents the number of people who received assistance from the Township through the various programs. Copies of the 2011 report were made available to the public. These services are provided by a full time social worker, our Buildings and Grounds Manager who coordinates the operation of the food pantry, a Food Pantry Assistant who works one day per week and the wonderful volunteers who donate countless hours to support our efforts.

OPEN SPACE REPORT-Supervisor O'Connor

The Township owns over 1,500 acres of Open Space. The Township has 2 full time employees who are responsible for all maintenance and restoration efforts. In addition to the staff, Libertyville Township has a long standing established partnership with Liberty Prairie Conservancy. The Liberty Prairie Conservancy connects the Township to grant opportunities, coordinates volunteer work days, and provides professional assistance in a variety of areas. The volunteers are an integral part of the restoration work that is completed. The Township could not accomplish the amount of work we do without their support.

A motion by Sari Hurtig, seconded by Peggy Freese to accept the Supervisor's Report as presented. All in favor, aye.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS **None**

CITIZENS' COMMENT- James Schuler of Bull Creek Libertyville asked about consolidating garbage pick up in unincorporated Libertyville, discussion ensued.

A motion to adjourn by with a second by, all in favor, aye

Time: 7:42

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Hansen, Township Clerk