

**MINUTES
BOARD MEETING OF NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP**

**State of Illinois
County of Cook
Township of New Trier**

The Board of New Trier met at the Township Hall on April 6, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Patricia B. Cantor, Supervisor
Jerome Hoynes, Clerk
Alan Goldberg, Trustee
Gerri Kahnweiler, Trustee
Stefan Mozer, Trustee
Diane Tye, Director of Administration and Finance
Joe Fell, Collector
Sandra Forrester, Deputy Clerk

Also Present: Sybil Appell, Family Service Center; Adithi Chandrashekar- from the Dan Seals for Congress campaign

Absent: Paddie Brennen, Trustee

Supervisor Patricia Cantor, acting as Chair, and Jerome Hoynes, acting as Clerk, transacted the following business:

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Cantor called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. Following a roll call vote of the Board, Clerk Hoynes declared a quorum to be present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Supervisor Cantor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Supervisor Cantor asked if there were any members of the public who wished to make comments to the Board; there were none.

Trustee Mozer suggested that, since the preliminary Financial Report (this meeting's Agenda item #4) contains financial information discussed at length in the March 9, 2010 Board meeting as well as in the February 23, 2010 and March 23, 2010 meetings of the Committee of the Whole, it would be preferable to first approve minutes of those meetings by moving today's meeting Agenda item #4 to be addressed after approval of the Board and Committee of the Whole minutes (Agenda items #5, 6 and 7). He so moved and Trustee Kahnweiler seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote.

APPROVE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 9, 2010: Trustee Kahnweiler moved and Trustee Goldberg seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the March 9, 2010 Board of Trustees meeting. The motion passed on a voice vote.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 23, 2010 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: Trustee Mozer moved and Trustee Goldberg seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the February 23, 2010 Committee of the Whole meeting. The motion passed on a voice vote.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 23, 2010 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: Trustee Mozer moved and Trustee Goldberg seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the March 23, 2010 Committee of the Whole meeting. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Ms. Adithi Chandrashekar left the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

FINANCIAL REPORT, FEBRUARY 28, 2010 YTD (Preliminary): Director Tye stated the proposed FY 2010-2011 Budget reflects Board discussions and recommendations to-date. She highlighted line item changes recommended by the Board: Office Supplies increased from \$25,000 to \$30,000, Back-to-School supplies funding increased from \$15,000 to \$20,000.

Noting the Board's acceptance of the March 23, 2010 Committee of the Whole minutes, Trustee Mozer moved and Trustee Goldberg seconded the motion to accept the February 28, 2010 YTD Preliminary Financial Report. The motion passed on a voice vote.

ADJOURN TO PUBLIC MEETING: BUDGET HEARING of TOWN AND GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS:

At 7:56 p.m., Trustee Kahnweiler moved and Trustee Goldberg seconded the motion to adjourn to a Public Hearing to discuss the 2010-2011 proposed Budget. The motion passed on a voice vote.

This yearly public meeting session is held to inform the public of the Township's fiscal year funding budget. For fiscal year beginning March 1, 2009 and ending February 28, 2010, Supervisor Cantor noted the following highlights of proposed amounts set forth to defray all expenses and liabilities of New Trier Township, Cook County, Illinois:

Supervisor Cantor highlighted the following proposed Budget details of the Town and General Assistance Funds:

TOWN FUND

TOTAL TOWN FUND REVENUES: **\$2,003,919**

TOWN FUND EXPENSES:

Existing Programs -

Agency Oversight Committee	646,435
Money Follows the Person (MFP) Committee	427,335
Existing Programs Sub-Total	1,073,770

New Programs:

Career Resource Center	8,000
Northshore Village	3,000
Erika's Lighthouse	10,000
Interfaith Housing/Foreclosure Counseling	4,000
New Programs Sub-Total	25,000

Total Programs - **1,098,770**

Services:

Summer Camp Scholarships	20,000
Day Care Scholarships	45,000
Before/After School Day Care	15,000
Disabilities Employment Service	15,000
Dial-a-Ride	40,000
Total Services	135,000

Special Funds:

Community Grants Program	60,000
Special Projects	140,000
Total Special Funds	200,000

Meetings Expenses: **20,300**

Township Office & Staff Expenses: **838,800**

Town Hall Expenses: **120,000**

Officials Compensation: **39,000**

TOTAL TOWN FUND EXPENSES: **2,451,870**

GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND

TOTAL GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND REVENUES:	<u>181,267</u>
TOTAL GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND EXPENSES:	<u>242,600</u>
TOTAL TOWN FUND <u>&</u> GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND REVENUES:	<u>2,185,186</u>
TOTAL TOWN <u>&</u> GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND EXPENSES:	<u>2,694,470</u>
TOWN & GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS VARIANCE: (Negative)	<u>- 509,284</u>

At 8:07 p.m., Trustee Goldberg moved and Trustee Mozer seconded the motion to adjourn the Public Meeting and reconvene the Board of Trustees Meeting. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Trustee Kahnweiler moved and Trustee Mozer seconded the motion to approve the 2010-2011 proposed New Trier Township Budget as presented. The motion passed on a voice vote.

CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIPS: Sybil Appell emphasized significant change in Township resident's need for childcare support due to housing foreclosures, parents' job loss and employment search requirements. She stated Board input would be welcomed as the Township's Family Service Directors next meet to explore how best to screen applicants and reset childcare scholarship guidelines to allow the necessary flexibility in the process to meet the changing needs. Supervisor Cantor suggested Administrator Rosser would be a valuable addition to the meeting. Discussion included offering childcare scholarships to allow parents time to job search. Trustee Mozer suggested developing a method to track valid job searches. Ms. Appell thanked the Board for its awareness of this community need, and she expressed appreciation to the Board's for its support. Supervisor Cantor thanked her for the childcare scholarship report, and Ms. Appell left the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-ANNUAL FAMILY SERVICE ADMINISTRATIVE FEE PAYMENTS (FY 2009-2010):

Trustee Mozer moved and Trustee Goldberg seconded the motion to approve Family Service administrative fee payments totaling \$1,000.00, distributed as follows: \$800 to Wilmette Family Service; \$100 to Glencoe Family Service; \$100 to Winnetka Family Service. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING UPDATE: Clerk Hoynes reviewed plans for the Township's 160th Anniversary Celebration at the Annual Town Meeting on April 13, 2010 at the Takiff Center, 999 Green Bay Road in Glencoe, Illinois. The meeting's theme, "*Honoring Our Past, Looking Forward to the Future*", will be highlighted by historical displays supplied by Township historical societies, comments from John Newcombe, award-winning filmmaker and producer of "*Winnetka Story*", reports from Township Officials and presentation of Township awards to individuals who have given significant service to the community. Clerk Hoynes distributed the meeting's Notice and Agenda to be published in the local media and on the Township's website. He expressed appreciation and praise for the collaborative assistance of Supervisor Cantor, Community Services Administrator Leverenz and Communications Director Spillers in planning this meeting. Trustee Goldberg suggested the Board be aware that questions from the public are to be expected. Director Tye stated the Financial Report would be a recap of the proposed 2010-2011 Budget. Since that Budget will not be approved until the May Board meeting, the current 2009-2010 Budget will be on display.

TRUSTEE LIAISON REPORTS: Trustee Mozer reported that the Disabilities Committee is developing the agenda for its May 24, 2010 evening program (5:00 - 7:00 p.m.). Trustee Kahnweiler stated the Special Projects Committee will meet April 12, 2010. Trustee Goldberg noted the Money Follows the Person Committee has no meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA – STAFF REPORTS:

- A. Community Services Administrator – Brian Leverenz
- B. Social Services Administrator – Jeanne Rosser
- C. Township Social Worker – Art Sontag

Trustee Mozer moved and Trustee Kahnweiler seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda/Staff Reports. The motion passed on a voice vote.

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SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Supervisor Cantor called the Board's attention to the following items and events:

- A. Attorney Richard Cowen has eliminated his charge for the letter the *Citizens Advocacy Center* which contained erroneous information about posting minutes on the Township's website.
- B. Trustees were urged to come early to the April 13 Annual Town Meeting, wear their name badges, greet attendees and enjoy the meeting.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Trustee Goldberg moved and Trustee Mozer seconded the motion to approve Payroll checks dated March 2010, numbered 4987 through 5009, totaling \$23,901.62.
The motion passed on a roll call vote.

4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

Trustee Goldberg moved and Trustee Kahnweiler seconded the motion to approve Town Fund checks dated February 28, 2010 through April 6, 2010, numbered 16904 through 17049, with the exception of voided checks numbered 16948 and 16970, for a total disbursement of \$427,185.60. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

Trustees questioned and discussed providing the names of those receiving Community Grants on the Claims list. Although the Claims list is not posted publicly, the concern for confidentiality will first be presented to the Township's auditor, and obtaining legal advice on the issue might follow.

OTHER BUSINESS: Clerk Hoynes reminded Trustees of the May 6, 2010 dinner meeting of the Cook County Clerks Association. This meeting is hosted by New Trier Township, and the hosting Township's officials customarily attend. The meeting site is AVLI Restaurant in the Laundry Mall, 566 Chestnut St., Winnetka, Illinois. Start time is 6:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Trustee Mozer moved and Trustee Kahnweiler seconded the motion to adjourn, and Supervisor Cantor adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerome Hoynes, Clerk