

ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

August 10, 2022

- **I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Shaughnessy.
- II. The Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Shaughnessy led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **III. Roll Call:** Roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Shepard, Turner, Davis, and Smouse. Also present were Supervisor Shaughnessy and Clerk Dyer Dawe.
- IV. Citizen Comments: None

V. Minutes:

1. The minutes of the July 13, 2022 Antioch Township Board Meeting were presented. Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a voice vote. Yes: 4, No: 0, Abstain: 1 - Turner.

VI. Treasurer's Report:

- 1. Township bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$42,233.17, including \$0 in General Assistance. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Turner, seconded by Trustee Shepard. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 Smouse, Davis, Turner, Shaughnessy, Shepard, No: 0.
- **2.** Road District bills were presented for payment in the amount of \$66,767.46. Motion for payment as presented was made by Trustee Smouse, seconded by Trustee Turner. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Yes: 5 Shaughnessy, Turner, Smouse, Shepard, Davis, No: 0.

VII. Township Officials Report:

1. Supervisor:

- 1. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared Lake County is engaged for permitting for fencing and grading at Thelen Park. Lake County was provided a site plan for the fencing permit and the Inspector will be walking the park to determine if the razing/leveling of the mounds can be considered a minor grading activity/restoration operation.
- 2. Supervisor Shaughnessy is working with Strategic Communications who have built a logo and website for the referendum, and are building language around it. A site overlay was shared and a kick off meeting was held for the Antioch Ambassadors. More Ambassadors are needed that are influencers on social media, neighborhood associations, community associations, etc... Supervisor Shaughnessy is looking for the support of all Village and Township Trustees.
- 2. **Clerk:** Paperwork for the referendum was filed with the County Clerk and the ballot proofs have been approved.
- 3. **Assessor:** Real Estate blue sheets are out and the appeal process has begun.

4. Highway Commissioner: No update.

5. Trustee Reports:

1. Senior Services, Trustee Davis:

a. 52 attended Badda Boom Badda Bingo in Smouse Hall on July 21, 2022. 32 attended Some Like It Hot at Antioch Theater on July 25, 2022, with 20 attending lunch at Oliverri North after. 40 attended Bullitt Train (was supposed to be My Left Foot) at Antioch Theater on August 8, 2022, with 27 attending lunch at Oliverri North after.

2. Finance, Trustee Turner:

- **a.** Paying the Grant Consultant a percentage of successful Grants versus an annual retainer is being explored. Supervisor Shaughnessy shared Todd Kupsak and another member of his team confirmed GATA and SAM are both required to obtain Grants.
- **b.** The ComEd Green Region Grant was unsuccessful this year. If the referendum passes, Kluber has been successful in the past with a different ComEd lighting Grant.

3. Parks, Trustee Shepard:

- **a.** Friends of Catherine and Channel Lakes purchased 400 Biochar bags to combat algae blooms. Supervisor Shaughnessy met with Joe Keller, the Fox Waterway Watershed is up for renewal for \$5,000.00.
- b. Bill Fick has been maintaining Osmond alone due to the loss of summer help and is doing a great job. The Audubon Society and Garden Club will determine what to plant for the interpretive trail and S&S Landscaping will complete the planting. The Township will absorb the cost of the initial planting to ensure it is completed this year, and then sponsors will be obtained for the cost of the planting, signage, and ongoing maintenance. A QR code will be available on signs to show people what they are looking at as well as information on the sponsor.
- **c.** Supervisor Shaughnessy shared Greenline Synergy will be hydroseeding again the week of September 5, 2022 as the first attempt was not extremely successful.
- **d.** A presentation on the Thelen Park design was made by the Pamela Self Team to show revisions and furthered concept plans based on feedback. The plans include the Boy Scout pavilion, earth berms, play area with rubber, new area for stormwater detention, the active park shifted over based on wetland delineation, obstacle course, pickleball, basketball, sand volleyball, disc golf, concession/relaxation station, pavilion, sport shelter, sledding hill added to be combined with the lookout for rookery, 1 great lawn area versus 2, and it still has paths for nature trails. Washrooms are being reviewed for porta potty versus septic and sewer. It is not recommended to build in the Wetlands to preserve land and avoid costly mitigation. There is a small manmade wetland that can likely be removed in Phase 1 with the use of a culvert. 9 of the 29 acres will be preserved for forest and wetlands. The floodplain insurance rate map from FEMA confirmed Rena Avenue floods and the rest is outside a floodplain and will be mitigated with the sled hill. Blanding turtles are in the area and need to get from wetland to wetland even through fences. No building can occur from April to the end of July due to the migration patterns of a few species of birds. Phase 1 could be August to November and completed in 2023 if all goes well. Aviary is still being reviewed and there might not be bird construction periods. The park could be completed in more than 2 phases. Lake County Stormwater mitigations will include 2 detention basins in phase 1. Stormwater run off might need catch basins that could require periodic cleaning or

pumping. Army Corps of Engineers and Lake County need to be engaged. A \$50,000 storage shed previously budgeted for Osmond Park will be built at Thelen Park. The cost estimate for Phase 1 including a 10% contingency is \$2,520,280.57 and Phase 2 is \$2,316,978.64 based on current prices. A big factor is the sled hill and charging to have spoils dropped off, that could significantly offset the cost.

4. Public Safety and Transportation, Trustee Smouse:

- **a.** The Dial-A-Ride brochures came out. There is a quick registration process to obtain a card and rides are going well.
- **b.** An invoice was received for the Grass Lake Fire Station Tower repeater. Trustee Smouse advised that it should not be paid at this time, that it is not due until next year. The repeater is used for communication as the district is too big for radio to radio. It is a communications device to repeat a signal and is only needed on that one tour to cover the entire district. The device and license are good for 10 years.

VIII. New Business: None

IX. Executive Session: None

X. Adjournment: There was no further business to come before the board. Trustee Shepard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Smouse. Motion carried with a voice vote, all in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:48 P.M. Yes: 5, No: 0.

Meeting place: Antioch Township Hall, 1625 Deep Lake Rd., Lake Villa, IL 60046

Respectfully submitted,

Meghan Dyer Dawe