

Maine Township Board Meeting October 23, 2018

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Board Members Present: Supervisor Morask, Clerk Gialamas, Assessor Moylan Krey, Highway Commissioner Kazmierczak, Trustees Jones, Carrabotta, McKenzie and Sweeney

Other in attendance: Keri-Lyn Krafthefer, Dayna Berman, Doriene Prorak, Denise Jajko, Michael Samaan, Marie Dachniwsky, Ryan McKenzie, Diane Carrabotta, Alexander Barton, Dagmar Rutzen, Carol Langan, Dennis Martin, Bob Zalesny, Sam Zumpano, Victor Miceli, Bob Nicolin, John Amburgey, Richard Lyon, Mary Upson, Elizabeth Coy, Brian J. Mulcrone, Jack Achille, Beth Penesis and Wiesia Tytko.

Supervisor Morask called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and Clerk Gialamas called the roll.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of September 25, 2018 Bill Pay Review

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to waive the reading and approve the amended minutes of the September 25, 2018 Bill Pay Review.

Trustee Jones Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of September 25, 2018 Board Meeting

Trustee McKenzie Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the September 25, 2018 Board Meeting.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the proposed amendments and comments by Trustee Jones and Trustee Sweeney. See video at 3:10.

Trustee Sweeney Motion to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2018 Board Meeting with the proposed amendments by Trustee Sweeney.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

There was more discussion and proposed suggestion to use verbatim for the Trustee Jones and Trustee Sweeney's dispute.

Supervisor Morask Motion to table approving the minutes of the September 25, 2018 Board meeting with the purpose of complying with Trustee Sweeney and Trustee Jones corrections.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes

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| Trustee Jones | Yes |
| Trustee McKenzie | Yes |
| Trustee Carrabotta | Yes |
| Trustee Sweeney | Yes |

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Public Participation

Bob Zalesny, Niles resident and Salvator (Sam) Zumpano, Maine Township resident were expressing their point of view regarding recent issues the Maine Township Board has been involved in and regarding Trustee Carrabotta's good character.

See video at 22:38.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Assistance Expenditures

Payrolls dated October 5, 2018 and October 19, 2018 and General Assistance checks #51562 through check #51620 in the amount of \$71,867.19.

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| Trustee Carrabotta | Motion to approve. |
| Trustee McKenzie | Second |

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

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| Supervisor Morask | Yes |
| Trustee Jones | Yes |
| Trustee McKenzie | Yes |
| Trustee Carrabotta | Yes |
| Trustee Sweeney | Yes |

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Road District Expenditures

Payrolls dated October 5, 2018 and October 19, 2018 and Road District checks #20594 through check #20633 in the amount of \$276,968.34.

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| Trustee Sweeney | Motion to approve. |
| Trustee Carrabotta | Second. |

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

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| Supervisor Morask | Yes |
| Trustee Jones | Yes |
| Trustee McKenzie | Yes |
| Trustee Carrabotta | Yes |
| Trustee Sweeney | Yes |

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Town Fund Expenditures

Payrolls dated October 5, 2018 and October 19, 2018 and General Town Fund checks #56282 through check #56349 in the amount of \$298,152.88.

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| Trustee Jones | Motion to approve. |
| Trustee McKenzie | Second. |

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

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| Supervisor Morask | Yes |
| Trustee Jones | Yes |
| Trustee McKenzie | Yes |
| Trustee Carrabotta | Yes |
| Trustee Sweeney | Yes |

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: New Business, Print Management RFP Discussion and Vote

Supervisor Morask stated that we are seeking proposals for Managed Print Services and an Interactive White Board. She added that five proposals were submitted but only three will be taken under considerations since the other two did not meet Maine Township's instructions.

Supervisor Morask stated that the Des Plaines Office Equipment Company, Warehouse Direct and Imagetec RFPs will be discussed.

Victor Micel from Des Plaines Office Equipment Company and Bob Nicolin from Warehouse Direct presented their proposals, recommendations and solutions for managing Maine Township print services and Interactive White Board.

After lengthy discussion of all three proposals including Imagetec's written one, the Board decided to allow Warehouse Direct and DPOE to present their proposals with different specifications.

Supervisor Morask stated that at the November 27th Board meeting the Board will make a choice on which company to hire.

See video at 33:23.

Agenda Item: New Business, Initial Levy Discussion/goals

Robert Porter from Ancel Glink presented on township Tax Levy procedures, purposes and recommendations according with the law.

There were many questions answered by Mr. Porter.

Supervisor Morask suggested having a special meeting for passing the levy since the levy needs to be passed by the December 26th and the Maine Township Board meeting will be held on December 27th.

See video at 2:07:46.

The Board agreed scheduling Special Board meeting for the purpose of adopting the levy on December 18th at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda Item: Officials' Reports

Highway Commissioner Kazmierczak stated that this month the Highway Department auctioned their surplus that was voted on previously. If the last transaction will come through they will gross \$55,000.00 which will go to the Equipment Fund. He added that through the Des Plaines auction, Highway Department purchased a 2003 International Dump Truck for a good price of \$10,400.00.

Agenda Item: New Business, Agency Funding Procedures:

- Posting link on website to the audio recording of the agency funding hearing meetings
- Posting the questionnaire and answers submitted by each of the agencies requesting funding during the hearings on the website

Supervisor Morask stated that Trustee Sweeney and Trustee Carrabotta requested the Discussion on Agency Funding Procedures.

Trustee Carrabotta stated that this year the Agency Funding Hearings were held on 10/2, 10/9 and 10/16. At least \$485,000.00 was spent for the agencies that applied for their funding last year. He also explained the importance and factors for reviewing the proposed applications for funding and making decisions. He pointed out that it is extremely important that the residents may be able to review on our website these hearing and see the questionnaire and answers submitted by the agencies.

Trustee Sweeney pointed out that the Agency Funding Hearings are considered as the open meetings and they should be treated no differently than regular board meetings or special board meetings which are videotaped. She pointed out in the spirit of transparency, the residents should be allowed to see this major expenditure that is made every year for Agency Funding. In Trustee Sweeney's opinion the audio recorded hearings should be posted on our website. She added that her request of videotaping said hearings was declined.

For more specific statements see video at 2:46:19.

Trustee Sweeney

Motion to approve posting link on website to the audio recording of the agency funding hearing meetings.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.
Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:
Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes
Motion carried.

Discussion regarding posting the questionnaire and answers submitted by each of the agencies requesting funding during the hearings on the website.
See video at 2:51:10.

Trustee Sweeney Motion to approve posting the questionnaire and answers submitted by each of the agencies requesting funding during the hearings on the website.
Trustee Carrabotta Second.

Trustee Jones Motion to amend the previous motion to not posting the questionnaire and answers submitted by each of the agencies requesting funding during the hearings on the website at this time, for the reasons that were just discussed and to make them available in the office.

Supervisor Morask Second.
Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:
Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta No
Trustee Sweeney No
Motion carried.

More discussion regarding posting the questionnaire and answers submitted by each of the agencies requesting funding during the hearings on the website in the future.
See video at 3:00:35.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Discussion/Updates on Status of Attorney Harassment Report
- Transcripts/FOIAs Requests
- Requested corrections/redactions

See video at 3:02:33.

Supervisor Morask Motion to table Old Business, Discussion/Updates of Attorney Harassment Report to the next Board meeting.
Trustee Carrabotta Second.
Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:
Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes
Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Procedures and Policies as previously submitted and tabled:

- Policy/Procedure for Board & Staff requests of Attorney legal time
- Policy/Procedure for Directing Staff to Call a Special Board Meeting
- Record Retention
- Posting Financial and Other Records on our Website

Discussion.

See video at 3:03:11.

Supervisor Morask Motion to table Old Business, Procedures and Policies, Officials' Reports, Administrator's Report to the next Board meeting.
Trustee Jones Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

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| Supervisor Morask | Yes |
| Trustee Jones | Yes |
| Trustee McKenzie | Yes |
| Trustee Carrabotta | Yes |
| Trustee Sweeney | Yes |

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Officials' Reports
Tabled.

Agenda Item: Administrator's Report
Tabled.

Agenda Item: Closed Session, Review of March 15th, March 27th (x2), April 17th & April 24th - 2018
Closed Session Minutes

Clerk Gialamas distributed the Closed Session minutes of March 15th, March 27th (x2) for review.
Clerk Gialamas distributed the Closed Session minutes of April 17th and April 24th for review.

Agenda Item: Approval of Closed Session Minutes March 15th, March 27th (x2), April 17th & April 24th -
2018 Closed Session Minutes

Supervisor Morask Motion to approve the Closed Session minutes of March 15, 2018,
March 27, 2018 #1 and March 27, 2018 #2 as presented.
Trustee Jones Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

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| Supervisor Morask | Yes |
| Trustee Jones | Yes |
| Trustee McKenzie | Yes |
| Trustee Carrabotta | Yes |
| Trustee Sweeney | No |

Motion carried.

Supervisor Morask Motion to release the Closed Session minutes of March 15, 2018,
March 27, 2018 #1 and March 27, 2018 #2 to the public.
Trustee Jones Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

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| Supervisor Morask | Yes |
| Trustee Jones | Yes |
| Trustee McKenzie | Yes |
| Trustee Carrabotta | Yes |
| Trustee Sweeney | No |

Motion carried.

Supervisor Morask Motion to approve the Closed Session minutes of April 17, 2018
and April 24, 2018 as presented.
Trustee Jones Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Supervisor Morask Motion to release the Closed Session minutes of April 17, 2018
and April 24, 2018 to the public.
Trustee McKenzie Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Supervisor Morask congratulated MaineStay Department and the volunteers on a very successful garage sale with the revenue of \$5,528.02 which will be donated to the Maine Township Food Pantry and summer camp for disadvantaged youth.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Supervisor Morask Motion to adjourn.
Trustee Carrabotta Second.

All in favor.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 p.m.

Maine Township Clerk

Board meeting minutes of October 23, 2018

Approval of minutes with notation and added to the minutes:

I approve minutes making a note for the record that the amendment to my motion for transparency when I motioned to approve the posting of the questionnaires and answers submitted by each of the agencies requesting funding during the public hearing was amended by a negative motion to take that transparency away and not post it on the website for public viewing. This violated the Robert rules noted in the memorandum from our Township attorney August 1 2018. This stated that a motion to amend is not one to turn a positive act into a negative act and the motion to amend voted on was to **not** post the questionnaires and answers on the website. As stated, this should have been voted on the original motion as a "no" on the question rather than seeking to have the motion modified to be stated in a negative way.