

HOMER TOWNSHIP

STATE OF ILLINOIS
Will County,
Town of Homer,

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MONTHLY BUSINESS/PLANNING
MEETING

3-1-2010 Revised Draft {4-1-10}
Approved as Amended April 5, 2010

THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the Homer Township Administration office (14350 W. 151st St., Homer Glen IL.) on **March 1, 2010**
Meeting began at 7pm with the Pledge, and ended at 9:46pm

PRESENT:	Pam Meyers	Supervisor
	Stephen J. Balich	Town Clerk
	Linsey Sowa	Trustee Absent
	Vicki Bozen	Trustee
	John Kruczek	Trustee
	Christina Neitzke	Trustee

Township Supervisor Pam Meyers and Stephen J. Balich Township Clerk conducted the monthly Township Board meeting where the following official business was transacted. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Meyers with the pledge to the flag. Also present were Highway Commissioner DeVivo Arrived 7:05pm, Assessor Szykowski and Attorney Sramek.

- 1. Call the meeting to order: 7pm**
- 2. Pledge to the Flag**
- 3. Roll Call**
- 4. Amendments to the agenda:** Motion by Trustee Kruczek second by Trustee Bozen to move Executive Secession to behind old business.
All ---Yes Motion Carries
- 5. Open Forum**
 - A. Vince Colabelli HAC** Withdrew his request to lease 20 acres of Open Space possibly at the Purdy property for this year.

- B. Chief Mike Schofield, Homer Township Fire Protection District spoke of the innovations of the Homer Fire District, and asked to have Paul Anderson re-appointed as Trustee to the Homer fire District Fire Board.
- C. Berny Kucharski thanked the Township for putting information on the Web Site.

6. **Executive Session:** Board decided to do Executive Secession in the original spot. Discussion of the need to go to executive secession. Question of \$53,000 legal bill being discussed for the Road District in closed secession or in open meeting since item was settled. **Motion by Trustee Bozen, second by Trustee Neitzke to go into Executive Secession. All ---Yes Motion Carries 7:16pm**
- A. Personnel
 - B. Litigation

Motion by Trustee Kruczek, Second by Trustee Bozen to resume regular Meeting. No action was taken. All ---Yes Motion Carries 7:35pm

- A. **Motion by Pam, second by Trustee Bozen to move Homer Township Fire Protection District Trustee Appointment before approving the bills. All ----Yes Motion Carries**

Motion to appoint Paul Anderson as Trustee to the Homer Fire District Board by Trustee Kruczek, second by Trustee Bozen. All ---Yes Motion Carries

7. **Approval of Bills – February bills payable in March Motion by Trustee Kruczek, second by Trustee Bozen to approve the bills as presented subject to discussion All ---Yes Motion Carries**
- A. Creek Enhancement
 - B. Equipment & Building
 - C. Founders Crossing – Bonds
 - D. Founders Crossing Operating Fund
 - E. General Assistance
 - F. Open Space
 - G. Open Space Bond
 - H. Park
 - I. Park Equipment Rebuild
 - J. Park Invest
 - K. Road and Bridge
 - L. Town

8. **Approval of Minutes:**

A. Motion by Trustee Bozen, second by Supervisor Meyers for Approval of February 1, 2010 Regular Board Meeting Minutes subject to correction of 2 spelling errors. All ---Yes Motion Carries

B. Motion by Trustee Kruczek, second by Supervisor Meyers for Approval not to release of February 1, 2010 Executive Board Secession Minutes All ---Yes Motion Carries

9. Plan Commission:

A. Chairman Cathy Boo unable to attend, but asked Supervisor to report that the commission met to approve minutes and discussed changes to the Will county water resources management plan.

10. Highway Commissioner Mike DeVivo Report: Discusses Salt Dome, Paving program, adding snow routes

11. Assessor Karen Szykowski Report: none

12. Clerk Steve Balich Report:

A. Motion by Trustee Bozen, second by Trustee Neitzke for Approval of Education Class Wednesday June 16th in Oak Brook Given by TOI. 7:30am to 3:00pm and other dates, being open to everyone. All ---Yes Motion Carries

B. Motion by supervisor Meyers, second by Trustee Bozen for Approval of agenda for April 13, 2010 Annual Town Meeting All ---Yes Motion Carries

13. Supervisor Pam Meyers Report:

A. Purdy Open Space farm lease proposals Motion by Trustee Kruczek Second by Trustee Bozen to accept 1 year lease proposal of Sam Buck. All ---Yes Motion Carries

Motion by Trustee Kruczek, second by Trustee bozen to approve 1 yr. lease for the Richardsons at the Purdy Farm Discussion of giving a 5 year lease. All ---Yes Motion Carries

B. Status report employee medical insurance. Insurance cost may going up making it not worth switching to an April renewal date this year. Recommended we return to a standard deductible for health insurance because of new legislation. Discussion of deductibles, and co-pays.

C. Status report on Town Hall repairs is good. It is planned to open in March. Discussion of holding Annual town Hall Meeting at Town Hall. Attorney suggests changing location of the meeting to Town Hall. **Motion by Supervisor Meyers, second by Trustee Kruczek to amend the agenda for the Annual town Meeting to the Town hall Address 16057 S. Cerar Rd. Homer glen, IL. 60491 All ---Yes Motion Carries**

D. Tentative FY 2010-11 Budget will need some workshops. Dates to be agreed on.

Motion by Trustee Bozen, second by Trustee Neitzke to leave Item D. the way the Clerk has it. Supervisor Meyers---No All others—Yes Motion Carries. Motion was made at April 5, 2010 meeting

E. Motion to accept Hearne and Associates to do the annual township audit by Supervisor Meyers, Second by Trustee Bozen All ---Yes Motion Carries. Supervisor directed the Board review the proposal to perform the annual Audit that was included in the packet.

Motion by Trustee Kruczek, second by Supervisor Meyers to use the correction indicated by Supervisor Meyers. Trustee Bozen—NO All others---Yes Motion Carries. Motion was made at April 5, 2010 meeting

F. Request to replace tables in Administration Building Conference/Lunch Room was discussed. Supervisor points out tables are expensive, but existing ones not safe, and enough money is in the budget. **Motion by Trustee Kruczek, Second by Trustee Bozen to table the purchase. All – Yes Motion carries**

G. Employee annual salary review will be discussed in April Executive Session

Motion by Supervisor Meyers, second by Trustee Sowa to accept changes made by Supervisor. Supervisor Meyers---Yes All others---No Motion Fails. Yes Motion Carries. Motion was made at April 5, 2010 meeting

H. Presentation of Homer School District 33C preliminary conceptual design plan for addition to Luther J. Schilling School proposing intergovernmental cooperation in relation to Township Town Hall & Park Garage property discussed. **Motion by Trustee Bozen, second by Trustee Neitzke to express lack of interest in the project as it is configured. All ---Yes Motion Carries**

I. Discussion status update and presentation of conceptual plans developed as a result of meetings with the village of Homer Glen regarding their

request to link the proposed IDOT/CMAQ Grant funded Bike Trail with Culver Park and to construct the path upon Yangas Park. Intergovernmental agreements, as well as easement agreements may be required to proceed. Mike Salamowicz was present to represent the Village of Homer Glen. Supervisor and Trustee Kruczek reported that they continue working with the Village and eventually intergovernmental and easement agreements may be required should the Town Board wish to proceed with this project. Motion by Supervisor Meyers second by Trustee Sowa to accept changes made by Supervisor. Supervisor, Trustees Kruczek and Sowa---Yes Trustee Bozen---No Trustee Neitzke---Abstain Motion Carries Yes Motion Carries. Motion was made at April 5, 2010 meeting

14. Trustee and Township Committee Reports:

- A. EVENTS COMMITTEE, Chairman Trustee Linsey Sowa: None
- B. EMA & PUBLIC SAFETY, Chairman Steve Balich: None

OPEN SPACE PLANNING & OPERATIONS, Chairman Bill Karn sent letter to the Board as a committee report. Letter is available upon request from the Homer Township Clerks office.

- i. Committee recommendations with regards to Village of Homer Glen and Will County Forest Preserve District to link Trantina Farm Dog Park with the proposed Fiddymont Creek Trail

Motion By Trustee Neitzke, second by Supervisor Meyers to re-design the dotted line at the end of the route, and label it as a potential Route All—Yes Motion Carries

- ii. Committee recommendations regarding Homer Athletic Club and Homer Stallions proposal to lease Purdy Parcel
- C. PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE, Chairman Trustee John Kruczek explained his meeting was very short due to the snow, but he wanted to give anyone who needed to address the committee a chance to speak in public forum.
 - D. SENIOR COMMITTEE, Chairman Trustee Vicky Bozen: None
 - E. YOUTH & SPECIAL NEEDS COMMITTEE, Chairman Trustee Christina Neitzke asked to change the name of the committee. Attorney pointed out that change needs to be on the agenda. Trustee Neitzke asked for a small budget, but no action was taken.

15. New Business

- B. Motion by Trustee Kruczek, second by Trustee Neitzke for Homer Township Public Library Bookmobile & Girl Scout Troop 515 request to use Culver Park 6-9-10 and 6-22-10 All ---Yes Motion Carries**
- C. Village of Homer Glen invitation to Earth/Arbor Day celebration May 22, 2010 from 11AM – 4PM**
- 16. Old Business:** Discussion of Highway Dept. working with township to repair Healing Garden Path
- 17. Adjournment: Motion by Trustee Kruczek, second by Trustee Neitzke to adjourn. All ---Yes Motion Carries**

NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
BUSINESS/PLANNING
April 5, 2010
7:00P.M.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Tuesday, April 13, 2010
7:00 PM