LOCKPORT, ILLINOIS

NOVEMBER 7, 2023

TOWN CLERK'S RECORD BOOK GENERAL ASSISTANCE

The Lockport Township Board of Trustees met at the Lockport Township Building, Multi-Purpose Room 127, 1463 S. Farrell Road, Lockport, IL 60441 on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 7:15 PM with Supervisor Alex Zapien presiding.

Present were Trustees Gregg Bickus, Karen Johnson, Dean Morelli and Denise Salvino, Clerk Erin Haas Gotts, Highway Commissioner Jim Louch, Collector Jessica Cannaday and Attorney Gary Mueller. The meeting agenda was posted at the Lockport Township Government Building, the Lockport Township website (Clerk's section), the website calendar and also on the Community Center door.

On a Motion of Salvino, seconded by Bickus to approve the minutes from the previous regular monthly meeting held on October 10, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

On a Motion of Johnson, seconded by Bickus to approve total bills and payroll in the amount of $1,146.95. Roll call vote resulted in Bickus Aye, Johnson Aye, Morelli Aye, Salvino Aye and Zapien Aye.

MOTION CARRIED

Citizens Wishing To Address The Board- There were no citizens wishing to address the Board.

General Assistance Case Report- In the month of October, there were 11- emailed inquiries, 43- phone call inquiries and 6- in-person inquiries. There were 9- applications submitted, 2- applications approved and 7- applications denied.

Supervisor Zapien stated that there is a vacancy in the General Assistance Department. Supervisor Zapien provided the Board with a General Assistance Cost Benefit Analysis and an Operational Flow Diagram. He mentioned to the Board that there are two options to fill the vacancy: hire an employee or outsource General Assistance applications to DuPage Township. Supervisor Zapien estimated the monthly cost for each option and also explained the process that would occur if the Township chose to outsource the applications. There was discussion in regards to the temporary caseworker, on travel concerns for General Assistant applicants having to go to DuPage Township for an interview, on whether or not there is a current employee interested in the position and the cost of the Visual GA program. Supervisor Zapien would like to combine the GA position and the Community Engagement position together to form a full-time position with benefits. The employee will receive $30,420.00 a year, which will result in $9,600.00 from the GA Fund and $20,820.00 from the Town Fund. There was additional discussion with the Board.

On a Motion of Johnson, seconded by Zapien to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement Between DuPage Township and Lockport Township. Roll call vote resulted in Bickus Nay, Johnson Aye, Morelli Nay, Salvino Nay and Zapien Aye.

MOTION FAILED

On a Motion of Johnson, seconded by Salvino to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 PM.

MOTION CARRIED

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ERIN HAAS GOTTS, TOWN CLERK