



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
COUNTY OF LAKE,
TOWN OF FREMONT

The Fremont Township Board of Trustees met at 22385 W. Illinois Route 60, Mundelein IL 60060 on November 7, 2023, to conduct a Special Meeting for the purpose of budget planning.

Diana O’Kelly	Supervisor
Christina McCann	Town Clerk
Alicia Dodd	Highway Commissioner
Joe Herchenbach	Assessor
Jeri Atleson	Town Trustee
Nick Dollenmaier	Town Trustee
Connie Shanahan	Town Trustee
Keith Voss	Town Trustee

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor O’Kelly called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Trustee Atleson, Trustee Dollenmaier, Trustee Voss, Supervisor O’Kelly

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Assessor Herchenbach, Clerk McCann, Highway Commissioner Dodd

OTHERS PRESENT

Nancy Lech, Herb Riedel

3. BUDGET DISCUSSION

Town Discussion Notes

Supervisor O’Kelly reviewed the status of the FY 2023/2024 budget and discussed anticipated revenues and expenses for the next budget cycle.

Operations and Parks Discussion Notes

Operations and Parks Manager Herb Riedel reviewed status of facilities and recommended the following maintenance projects be prioritized for the FY 2024/2025 budget cycle:

Administration Building

- West side landscaping
- Community room entrance
- East side landscaping
- Admin front entrance sign

Parks

- Seal coat and stripe paths and parking lots at Behm Park
- Chain link fence repairs at Behm and Ivanhoe Parks
- Repair a couple sections of black pvc fence at Ivanhoe.
- Add Rubberific mulch to playground area (optional)
- Repair and/or replace stairs and railing of small football building at Behm.
- Fix siding on Ivanhoe shed and repaint exterior.
- Fix siding and door on irrigations shed at Ivanhoe.
- Repair sod infield and outfield of Ivanhoe baseball field
- Repair sod infield of large baseball field at Behm
- Pickleball court repairs

Discussion

Board consensus is to proceed with the maintenance projects other than refilling Rubberific playground mulch which is currently sufficient and can be monitored for refilling as required. The board discussed requiring park user groups to contribute more towards costs to maintain ballfield facilities.

Highway Discussion Notes

- Depending on timing of grant reimbursements, Highway may or may not have to tap into \$500K exercisable loan from Township.
- Sylvan Lake Dam Restoration – Under the current grant agreement the project must be completed by 2025. Anticipate going to bid in late 2023 or early 2024 at which time current costs for the project will be known. Received \$1.3 million in grant funds for use towards this project, however the Road District is responsible for 25% of any costs over this amount. Dodd noted Sylvan Lake Homeowners may have to contribute towards the final costs if they exceed the anticipated grant revenues. Currently there are many variables affecting the cost and timing of the project.
- North Hills is the next big project.
- Established a fund to set money aside for building replacement.
- Plan to sell some older equipment next year.
- Next purchase is a Ford 550 to replace the older model. Orders are currently taking up to two years to deliver.

4. LEVY DISCUSSION

- Consensus of the Board is to seek the maximum levy for Town and Road and hopefully freezing that amount in 2024 depending on economic outlook.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

6. ADJOURN

Trustee Shanahan moved, and Trustee Voss seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

All in favor, motion carried.