

**MINUTES OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF SCHAUMBURG  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
Cook County  
Town of Schaumburg**

**THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES** met at the office of the Town Clerk located at One Illinois Boulevard, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169-3314 on **August 16, 2023**.

<b>Officials Present:</b>	Timothy M. Heneghan	Supervisor
	W. Robert Vinnedge	Clerk
	Robert N. Fiorio	Trustee
	Demetrius J. Gibson	Trustee
	Lauren Saternus	Trustee
	Matthew J. Steward	Trustee (Arrived at 7:11pm)
	Scott Kegarise	Highway Commissioner (Observing)

The following business was transacted.

Supervisor Heneghan called to order the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 7:05 PM.

Clerk Vinnedge called the roll and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Narcan at the Township**

Statistics on Opioid deaths were provided in Cook County with supplemental information on numbers of Opioid cases in Schaumburg Township as evidence that we might be able to save lives by making the Narcan nasal spray readily available for residents to have on hand, thus preventing a fatal Opioid overdose. After several questions, it was suggested we have an expert present at the upcoming board meeting, from KYC who can provide the answers to see if we can agree the Narcan nasal spray and the dispenser should be placed in the township building for anyone to access.

**B. Age Options Grant with Age Options**

Director Cordes began the presentation and eventually included Frances Borja explaining that Age Options provides the Township and Disability Services with the opportunities to put on different programs for Seniors and the disabled in order to educate and provide a greater and more effective enrollment in programs. Specially, this one relates to Medicare and all the various options it offers depending on the individuals and their situations. Although at the outset it seems straight forward. It became clearer that the program has many layers to cover a multitude of possibilities, again depending on the individual. Starting off with an explanation of

the four basic plans A through D and the coverage for each plan. Then the costs without Medigap and the current array of benefits available with the supplemental plans. With the introduction of Medigap vs. the Medicare Advantage plans and either the need to access a Low-Income Subsidy option plan or the qualifications for Medicaid the enrollment process seemed endless. The presentation was very enlightening and indicated the need for such an educational program to maneuver through all the possible choices available from which to pick.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Trustee Saternus and seconded by Trustee Gibson to approve the minutes of the May 17, Committee of the Whole. Roll Call: Trustee Fiorio-Aye, Trustee Gibson-Aye, Trustee Saternus-Aye, Trustee Steward-Absent, Supervisor Heneghan-Aye. Ayes-5, Nays-0. **Motion carried.**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. Purchase of electric buses**

For now, the decision should be, do should we purchase two or four electric buses. The price per bus has increased from the last time we checked, so four buses now would run in excess of \$1.4 million. The batteries have a warranty of five years. A thorough discussion led to all the advantages and disadvantages of both choices. So, the decision remains to be determined before taking a vote at the upcoming board meeting. The important thing was the agreement that we try to lock in the price with a purchase order even though delivery might not take place for a year. Questions asked and answered.

#### **B. Rail Update**

Work outside has begun and for the rest of the week, there would be work on the infrastructure for the charging stations. So, the water and electricity outside would be turned off, eliminating the use of these utilities while work is in progress.

#### **C. Building Update**

The main lobby entrance will be closing as of Monday with access limited to the south entrance for around two weeks, due to flooring being installed in the reception area. Also, more time may be needed for the required village inspections taking place during that time frame. However, the inside work is approximately 80% complete with the security desk to be completed in the next couple of weeks.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. Arachis Insurance Broker update**

Still working on having all the correct information sharing. However, if the township decides to go with the Arachis Insurance brokers, they will establish an educational hands-on program in-house at our employee's convenience. This will allow the staff to be engaged and check their benefits any time they need to, while providing the Broker with an understanding of what benefits they want and need while being engaged in the process of checking on their benefits. Brian McPherson attended remotely to answer questions and address any concerns. The primary question related to whether there would be an additional cost for the insurance coverage and whether there might be additional services available. Brian stated in making the switch that there would be no increase in cost and in fact, more services would be available including HR assistance relieving Luis' ongoing time of checking for answers with the insurance carrier. This additional HR service is provided by Arachis since they are reimbursed by the insurance company. He also stated he has other accounts with municipalities, townships, and businesses with employees from 2 to 2,000 individuals. Questions asked and answered.

**B. Job Fair Update**

Administrator Williams was very pleased with the turnout at the job fair which amounted to approximately 30 to 35 interested individuals participating with six interviews being provided. Finally, we hired one person who is a bilingual case worker. Two other interviews for Disabilities and Senior Services seem promising and are still pending, which was more productive than our previous efforts without a job fair.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- August 23, 2023 - Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, 7PM Town Hall
- September 4, 2023 – Township Closed – Labor Day
- September 16, 2023 – Disability Resource Fair, 10AM
- September 20, 2023 – Committee of the Whole, 7PM Town Hall
- September 27, 2023 - Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, 7PM Town Hall

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Moved by Trustee Steward to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. and Trustee Gibson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Trustee Fiorio-Aye, Trustee Gibson-Aye, Trustee Saturnus-Aye, Trustee Steward-Absent, Supervisor Heneghan-Aye. Ayes-5, Nays-0. **Motion carried.**

<b>APPROVAL CERTIFICATION</b>	
I hereby certify the approval of the forgoing Minutes of the Township of Schaumburg.	
Clerk	
Date	SEPTEMBER 27, 2023