

Township of Monee, in the County of Will, of the State of Illinois

APPROVED MINUTES OF SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES – APRIL 16, 2009

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The scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Township of Monee was conducted on Thursday, April 16, 2009, at the Monee Township Hall, 26121 S. Egyptian Trail, Monee Illinois.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Supervisor Patricia Schoenbeck: Trustee Jackie Stuenkel: Trustee Robert Loy: Trustee John Weaver: Trustee Sandra Heard. Clerk Andrea Supler.

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** Administrative Assistant Willa Simmons.

**OTHER ELECTED/APPOINTED TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:** Highway Commissioner Kenneth Murphy, Collector Phyllis Nieland, Plan Commission Chair Scott Buck, Deputy Clerk Helen Barrett.

**ATTORNEY:** John Izzo

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE:** Alex Supler, Theresa Buck, Supervisor elect Donna Dettbarn, Trustee elect James Young, Trustee elect Maurice Brown, Collector elect Wayne Lambert, Clerk elect Bobby Lathan, Sr.

**PRESS:** None

Supervisor Schoenbeck called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

*(The Assembly recited the pledge to The Flag prior to the commencement of the public hearings for the budgets, immediately prior to the scheduled meeting)*

**SECTION 1. – MINUTES:**

- **Scheduled Meeting, March 19, 2009:**

Mr. Izzo stated his objection to the minutes containing a summary of comments he had made regarding the February 19, 2009 minutes, in which he had asked the Board to substitute his minutes for those taken by the Clerk.

Trustee Loy moved; Trustee Weaver seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the scheduled meeting of March 19, 2009 with the text Mr. Izzo had objected to, deleted.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

- **Scheduled Meeting, February 19, 2009:**

Mr. Izzo objected to several paragraphs summarizing his comments; stating that they were not necessary. Clerk Supler stated that she had taken his comments directly from the audio tape of the meeting.

A spelling error of the names of two members of the public in attendance was noted for correction and Clerk Supler stated that to be the reason she asked people to print their names on the sign-in sheet, as it was often near impossible to determine the correct spelling of names from signatures.

Trustee Weaver moved; Trustee Heard seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2009 scheduled meeting as presented, with the text objected to by Mr. Izzo deleted.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

- **Scheduled Meeting, January 15, 2009:**

Supervisor Schoenbeck requested some clarifying text to be added to one sentence.

Trustee Heard moved; Trustee Weaver seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the scheduled meeting of January 15, 2009 as presented, with additional, clarifying text added.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

## **SECTION 2. - PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Supervisor elect Donna Dettbarn stated her disappointment that the agenda had called for the public hearings for the budgets to commence at 6:30 p.m. when in fact, they had been at 6:15.

Supervisor Schoenbeck stated that the error on the agenda had been her mistake and apologized for it, but that the legal notices for the hearings had been correct, in noticing them at 6:15.

Ms. Dettbarn asked the Board not to act to adopt the General Town budget as presented, as there was time for the new Board to make whatever changes they believed were necessary.

Trustee Stuenkel stated his belief that the new Board would be better off having the budget in place when they came into office and could amend it.

### **SECTION 3. - SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

Supervisor Schoenbeck presented her General Assistance Report to the Board:

- **GENERAL ASSISTANCE:**

- MARCH 16, 2009 – MARCH 31, 2009: Intakes- 6: Applications- 2: Received Flat Grant- 0: Received Other Aid- 0: Pantry- 13: Denied- 2: Pending- 4: Terminated- 0: Total General/Emergency Assistance: \$750.00.
- APRIL 1, 2009 – APRIL 9, 2009: Intakes- 0: Applications- 0: Received Flat Grant- 0: Received Other Aid- 0: Pantry- 2: Denied- 0: Pending- 3: Terminated- 0: Total General/Emergency Assistance: \$00.00.

Supervisor Schoenbeck reported that Eight (8) families had applied for Easter Baskets and all had picked them up, and that a total of Twenty One (21) children had received baskets.

Supervisor Schoenbeck reported that the Senior Committee had determined it needed funds for postage, to send invitations to the Senior Health Fair to be held at Eastern Will County Senior Services.

Trustee Weaver moved; Trustee Heard seconded a motion to approve an expenditure of up to Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for postage.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

### **SECTION 5. - CLERK'S REPORT:**

Clerk Supler reported that she planned to ask her successor to follow through with the proposal made by Jon Mendelson of Governor's State University, to have the university library make clean hard copies of old, now historic Township records, to allow anyone who wished to read them easy access, and have the originals safely stored in the university archives.

Supervisor Schoenbeck stated an objection to the plan as it would deny access to the records.

### **SECTION 6. - HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:**

Highway Commissioner Murphy reported that he believed he was leaving the Township roads in good order for his successor.

### **SECTION 7. - ASSESSOR'S REPORT: None**

### **SECTION 8. - ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

Mr. Izzo stated that he would hold his report for Executive Session, as it involved pending litigation.

## **SECTION 9. - COMMITTEE/PROJECT REPORTS:**

- **Plan Commission:**

Mr. Buck reported that the Plan Commission had heard two (2) cases; both requests for variances that the Commission had not objected to and asked the Board to act accordingly, then ask Clerk Supler to send a letter of no objection to the County.

Trustee Loy moved; Trustee Weaver seconded a motion to follow the recommendation of the Plan Commission.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

Plan Commission Chair Scott Buck tendered his official resignation from the Plan Commission and expressed his hope that the incoming administration would continue to maintain an active plan commission.

Trustee Weaver moved; Trustee Stuenkel seconded a motion to accept Mr. Buck's resignation.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

Mr. Buck officially tendered his resignation from the Plan Commission.

- **Website Update:**

Supervisor Schoenbeck reported that she would pass the website information on to her successor.

## **SECTION 10. - OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Computer Software and Programming:**

Supervisor Schoenbeck explained the purpose of the bank of computers in the office to the newly elected Board members in attendance.

- **Sign for Township Building on Egyptian Trail: No Action**

Supervisor Schoenbeck reported that she had been in contact with Monee Village President elect Dan Tovo, who had indicated to her that a street light at the corner of Egyptian Trail and Governor's Highway might be possible, which would solve the problem of people being unable to see the turn off to the township building after dark.

## **SECTION 11. - NEW BUSINESS:**

### **FY 2009 – 2010 General Town Budget:**

Trustee Loy moved; Trustee Stuenkel seconded a motion to adopt the FY 2009 – 2010 General Town Budget as presented.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

- **Purchase Coat Rack:** No Action

Supervisor Schoenbeck stated that she believed it best to leave the purchase of a coat rack to the incoming Board.

- **Line Item Transfers:**

#### **Board Budget:**

Trustee Weaver moved; Trustee Heard seconded a motion to approve a line item transfer in the Board's portion of the General Town Budget in the amount of One Hundred Forty Two Dollars and Sixty Five Cents (\$142.65) from line item # 5110, Telephone, to line item # 5114, Utilities, in the same fund.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

Supervisor Schoenbeck reported that she wanted to transfer the proceeds of matured Certificates of Deposit in the total amount of Fifty One Thousand, Two Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars and Eighty Three Cents, (\$51,278.83) into the savings account, where it would earn interest near equal to what would be earned by allowing the CD's to roll over, yet have the funds available for use with no early withdrawal penalty.

Trustee Loy moved; Trustee Weaver seconded a motion to approve the transfer.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

## **SECTION 12. - TRUSTEE AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS:**

Trustee Stuenkel moved; Trustee Loy seconded a motion to approve the bills as presented.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

## SECTION 13. - BOARD COMMENTS:

### EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Trustee Weaver moved; Trustee Loy seconded a motion to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation and to review Executive Session minutes.

On a role call vote, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Trustee Heard, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes and the Board entered Executive Session at 7:35 p.m.

- *Trustee Heard left the meeting at this time and did not attend the Executive Session.*

On a motion by Trustee Loy, seconded by Trustee Weaver, the Board returned to Open Meeting at 8:25 p.m.

On a role call vote of the members present, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes and the Board returned to Open Meeting at 8:25 p.m.

- **Approve Executive Session minutes:**

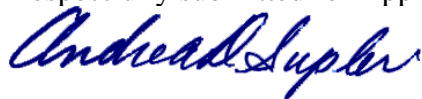
Trustee Stuenkel moved; Trustee Loy seconded a motion to act on the determination of the Executive Session minutes as discussed in Executive Session, to approve the Executive Session minutes of December 20, 2007, May 15, 2008, June 19, 2008, October 16, 2008, December 18, 2008, January 15, 2009 and February 19, 2009 as presented, with some typographical errors corrected.

Of the minutes reviewed, being those of: October 20 and December 18, 2005: January 16, February 16, Marc 16, April 20, May 18, June 15, July 20, August 17, September 21, October 19, November 16, and December 21, 2006: January 18, February 19, March 15, April 19, June 21, October 18 and December 20, 2007: May 15, June 19, October 16 and December 18, 2008, and January 15 and February 19, 2009 it was agreed that all would be released except those of October 18, 2007, December 20, 2007, May 15, 2008, June 19, 2008, October 16, 2008, December 18, 2008, January 15, 2009 and February 19, 2009.

On a role call vote of the members present, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

There being no further business to put before the Board, Trustee Weaver moved; Trustee Stuenkel seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted for Approval,



Andrea D. Supler,  
Monee Township Clerk

Township of Monee, in the County of Will, of the State of Illinois

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF  
THE 2008 – 2009 MONEE TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT BUDGET – APRIL 16, 2009

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The public hearing for consideration and adoption of the Monee Township 2009 – 2010 Road District Budget was conducted by the Monee Township Board of Trustees on Thursday, April 16, 2009, at the Monee Township Hall, 26121 S. Egyptian Trail, Monee Illinois.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Supervisor Patricia Schoenbeck: Trustee Jackie Stuenkel: Trustee Robert Loy: Trustee John Weaver: Clerk Andrea Supler. **ABSENT:** Trustee Sandra Heard.

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** Administrative Assistant Willa Simmons.

**OTHER ELECTED/APPOINTED TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:** Highway Commissioner Kenneth Murphy.

**ATTORNEY:** John Izzo

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE:** Alex Supler, Trustee elect James Young.

**PRESS:** None

Clerk Supler called the role.

The Assembly recited the Pledge to The Flag.

Supervisor Schoenbeck called the hearing to order at 6:21 p.m.

Supervisor Schoenbeck read the total figures of the budget.

Mr. Young noted that according to the agenda, the public hearing was not to have started until 6:30 p.m.

Supervisor Schoenbeck stated that the agenda was for the regular meeting.

Mr. Young asked if the budgets had been posted before the hearing and Ms. Schoenbeck stated that they had been posted and available in the office for the past thirty five days.

There was no other discussion regarding the Road District budget.

Trustee Stuenkel moved; Trustee Weaver seconded a motion to adopt the 2009 – 2010 Road District budget as presented.

On a role call vote of the Board members present, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes.

There being no further business to discuss or hear regarding the Road District budget, Trustee Loy moved; Trustee Stuenkel seconded a motion to adjourn the hearing.

On a role call vote of the Board members present, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Ye, and the Hearing was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted for Approval,



Andrea D. Supler,  
Monee Township Clerk

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APPROVED MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF  
THE 2008 – 2009 MONEE TOWNSHIP GENERAL TOWN BUDGET – APRIL 16, 2009

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**OTHER ELECTED/APPOINTED TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:** Highway Commissioner Kenneth Murphy.

**ATTORNEY:** John Izzo

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE:** Alex Supler, Trustee elect James Young.

**PRESS:** None

Supervisor Schoenbeck called the hearing to order at 6:25 p.m.

*(Clerk Supler called the role and the Assembly recited the Pledge to The Flag prior to commencement to the public hearing for the Road District budget, immediately preceding).*

Supervisor Schoenbeck read the total figures of the budget and noted that she had reduced a number of appropriations to bring the budget into balance.

Mr. Young asked if the total shown for the Assessor's budget was the final figure and Ms. Schoenbeck stated that it was.

There was no other discussion regarding the General Town Budget.

There being no further business to discuss or hear regarding the General Town budget, Trustee Loy moved; Trustee Weaver seconded a motion to adjourn the hearing.

On a role call vote of the Board members present, motion carried unanimously: Trustee Stuenkel, Yes: Trustee Loy, Yes: Trustee Weaver, Yes: Supervisor Schoenbeck, Yes, and the Hearing was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted for Approval,



Andrea D. Supler,  
Monee Township Clerk