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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE
RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2024

AT THE RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP HALL, 27 RIVERSIDE ROAD, RIVERSIDE

CALL TO ORDER

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Riverside Township Board of Trustees, held on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at the Riverside Township Hall located at 27 Riverside Road, Riverside, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Wilt at 6:30 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL OF THE COMMITTEE

PRESENT: Supervisor Vera Wilt, Clerk Jay Reyes, Trustee Mary Rob Clarke, Trustee John Carroll, Trustee Matt Decosola, and Trustee Tim Heilenbach.

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:

Therefore, Supervisor Wilt declared a quorum and opened the Committee of the Whole Meeting for the transaction of business.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Elected Officials' Compensation for Next Term 2025-29

Supervisor Wilt explained that she circulated the various compensation sheets to the Board and opened the floor for discussion on elected official compensation levels. The Board discussed the status of general assistance requests and staff resources to manage their workload. Supervisor Wilt explained that she often processes each application for general assistance on her own and explained that there may be a need to have an additional staff person to exclusively manage those requests at a rate of approximately 10 hours per week, though preferred to keep compensation at existing levels.

Trustee Heilenbach expressed interest in continuing the same rate of pay for the role of Supervisor. Clerk Reyes expressed a similar sentiment related to the role of Clerk. The Board agreed on both.

The Board further discussed the salary range for the role of Township Assessor. The Board deliberated on the matter and considered, again, keeping the salary for the Assessor at its current rate with no increase.

Supervisor Wilt entertained a motion to memorialize the evening's discussion and proposed current rate of salaries for elected officials.

Trustee Clarke moved to maintain elected officials' salaries at current rates with no increases and reduction of travel stipends.

MOTION: Trustee Clarke

SECOND: Trustee Carroll

ROLL CALL: Trustee Carroll - Yes; Clarke - Yes; Decosola – Yes; Heilenbach - Yes; Supervisor Wilt – Yes.

VOICE VOTE: Yes – 5 No - 0 Abstention - 0 MOTION CARRIED

2. Community Partnerships Policy

Supervisor Wilt explained that the Board should review its policy related to community partnership grants. The Board discussed various prior requests and their established ongoing desire not to fund capital projects and instead focus on its core township statutory mandate.

Supervisor Wilt encouraged the Board to review the existing policy and consider what language updates they would like to change or “tighten up” related to community partnership grant requests.

3. GA Policy for Partnerships with Appropriate Entities

Supervisor Wilt explained that legal counsel had urged the Board to develop additional guidelines for what GA items the Township Board would fund. Supervisor Wilt urged the Board to consider what items it would like to include.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to transact, Trustee Carroll moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

MOTION: Trustee Carroll

SECOND: Trustee Heilenbach

ROLL CALL: Trustee Carroll - Yes; Clarke - Yes; Decosola – Yes; Heilenbach - Yes;
Supervisor Wilt – Yes.

VOICE VOTE: Yes – 5 No - 0 Abstention - 0 MOTION CARRIED

Vera A. Wilt, Township Supervisor

Jay Reyes, Township Clerk

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