

EXECUTIVE SESSION  
MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
April 13, 2021  
Dorr Township Office  
1039 Lake Ave, Woodstock, IL 60098

Present: Supervisor Sue Brokaw; Clerk Brenda Stack; Highway Commissioner John Fuller; Assessor Veronica Myers; Trustee Richard Hoyt; Trustee Chris Cantwell; Trustee Bryson Calvin; Dorr Township Attorney Jim Militello.

Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of March 9, 2021

**Motion by Trustee Cantwell to approve the Executive Session Minutes of March 9, 2021. Motion seconded by Trustee Calvin. Board polled; motion approved unanimously.**

Supervisor Brokaw advises that we have settled the outstanding 2018 tax objection lawsuit for \$9,000.00. Settlement approved, so we are done and over with that one. Jim Militello provided graph and analysis of funds. Jim Militello introduced for presentation.

Mr. Militello advises that the last three (3) years of expenses and funds were compared. Ratio for accumulation was 2.0 times amount of funds; Statute has changed and now it is 2.5 times amount of funds held in excess accumulation. Calculated using Town Fund, Road & Bridge and General Assistance. Capital accumulation explained. After analysis, the Town Fund is fine; General Assistance is high, and Road & Bridge is high. Overage in levy discussed - "leaving money on the table." Explanation of procedure and calculation. Trustee Calvin asks what is the best way to remedy this situation so it does not happen again and again. Jim Militello explains that perhaps you not levy any money for the following year and "use up" the funds. That way, there is no money to garnish, or "left over". Keep it at the same rate; shift to Town Fund if you anticipate more than 2.5 times accumulation. Militello states that he thinks General Assistance is the only problem area, and it is not a big problem. Business decision explained as possible solution to these lawsuits - does it make sense to litigate or settle? Don't levy funds if you want to avoid lawsuits; tweak budget during preparation, not dramatically but keep in mind your needs. Highway Commissioner Fuller asks about setting up capital accounts; we do need improvements out at the garage, so where do we put those funds to accumulate? Options for improvements fund. Money has to have a destination. Trustee Cantwell voices frustration with these types of suits and trying to be fiscally responsible. Jim Militello recognizes and understands these issues. Contact information: email: [jmilitello@primelawgroup.com](mailto:jmilitello@primelawgroup.com) and cell number: 1-815-790-3866.

**Motion by Trustee Calvin to exit Executive Session and return to**

**Regular Board meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Cantwell. Motion approved unanimously.**

Submitted by Brenda Stack, Dorr Township Clerk