

WHEELING TOWNSHIP
1616 North Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PAULA ULREICH MEETING ROOM
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2024
8:00 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING AUGUST 27, 2024
- V. AUDIT
- VI. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD
- VII. OFFICIALS' REPORT
- VIII. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
- IX. NEW BUSINESS
 - 1. Approval – Northfield Township Snow and Ice Control Agreement 2024-2025
 - 2. Approval – Village Northbrook Snow and Ice Control Agreement 2024-2025
 - 3. 2024 Levy Discussions
- X. ADJOURNMENT

HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY PRESENTATIONS-OCTOBER 22, 2024-6:00 PM
NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING-OCTOBER 22, 2024-8:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Supervisor and Board of Trustees of Wheeling Township, for August 27, 2024 was held in the Paula Ulreich Meeting Room, in the Township of Wheeling, 1616 North Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois. Supervisor Penner called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Clerk Gauza called the roll and the following members were present, Supervisor Kathy Penner, Trustee Jeanne Hamilton, Trustee Patricia Kozicki, Trustee Joseph Murglin, Trustee Darrel Talken and Clerk Joanna Gauza.

Also in attendance: Wheeling Township Assessor Ken Jochum, Wheeling Township Attorney Kenneth Florey, and Wheeling Township Director of Finance and Administration Regina Stapleton.

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Penner led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION #1: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON JULY 23, 2024

Motion by Trustee Kozicki, seconded by Trustee Murglin, to approve the minutes of July 23, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Penner, Hamilton, Kozicki, Murglin, Talken
NAYS: None.... Motion #1 Carried.

AUDIT

MOTION #2: AUDIT FOR CEMETERY FUND

Motion by Trustee Kozicki, seconded by Trustee Murglin, to approve batch #082724 against the Cemetery Fund, in the amount of \$8,848.24 to be paid.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Kozicki, Murglin, Talken, Hamilton, Penner
NAYS: None.... Motion #2 Carried.

MOTION #3: AUDIT FOR ROAD MANAGEMENT FUND

Motion by Trustee Kozicki, seconded by Trustee Murglin, to approve batch #7/30/24, #8/16/24, and #8/27/24 against the Road Management Fund, in the amount of \$8,304.87 to be paid.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Kozicki, Murglin, Talken, Hamilton, Penner
NAYS: None.... Motion #3 Carried.

MOTION #4: AUDIT FOR TOWN FUND

Motion by Trustee Kozicki, seconded by Trustee Murglin, to approve batch #7/26/24, #7/30/24, #8/16/24, and 8/27/24 against the Town Fund in the amount of \$353,556.64 to be paid.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Kozicki, Murglin, Talken, Hamilton, Penner
NAYS: None.... Motion #4 Carried.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

John Saletta: is not happy how the 708 Referendum was not worded correctly, and is against the 708 tax levy that would raise the Township taxes 50%. He is already paying high property taxes.

Lorri Grainawi: Voters voted for 708 and the tax was approved.

Steven Polit: is concerned about the 708 board because of property tax increases. Tax increase will impact mental health of taxpayers and create a new bureaucracy.

Mary Lou Ohava: Wheeling Township offers a lot of services and Arlington Heights already has 16 taxing districts. Illinois agencies are responsible for mental health.

Ausin Mejdich: Wants more mental health funding as his review of records indicates social service funding has declined over the last some 10 years.

Mike Domrzalski: \$1.5 million property tax increase could go to \$10 million. This would raise Township levy by 50% to 4 times the Township levy.

Craig Horwliz: Most people didn't have any idea what they voted for with 708 board because initiative misleading.

David Profitt: Encourages community leaders to find a way to execute tax levy and do what the voters asked for.

Paul Doetsch: Voted against referendum. The referendum never mentioned \$8 million and those seeking a tax increase were not transparent. Thanks board for considering mental health of taxpayers.

Dan Patlak: Opposed to tax increase. A tiny Township should not be responsible for mental health services. The 708 referendum language was illegal and the Township could not levy taxes. In May, the Illinois legislature lifted tax caps for 708 taxes meaning a Township board can raise property taxes \$8.6 million and much more.

OFFICIALS' REPORT

ASSESSOR: Assessor Jochum reported:

- TAX YEAR 2024
- The Cook County Assessor is open for appeals from Wheeling Township, August 23, 2024 until October 7, 2024. Thus far we have 635 appeals pre-filed which we are submitting.
- You will recall that townships have taken over the duty of electronically entering appeals which will add approximately 80 hours of cost.
- The appeal session for the Assessor is 30 business days whereas the Board of Review session is 30 calendar days.
- OMITTED ASSESSMENTS.
- Omitted assessments are a County wide issue for the County Assessor. This issue relates to the permit process in which the Township plays an important role.
- In order to strengthen the process in Wheeling Township we are planning a lunch and learn for the building and permit officials of the various municipalities which we serve. This will occur after the close of the County Assessor appeal session.
- TAX CAP SURVEY
- We have been taking a survey of taxpayers regarding eliminating PTELL (tax caps), thus far 95% are opposed to eliminating any tax caps.
- ANNUAL REVIEW OF A TAX BILL
- **See attached tax bill**

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Administrator Stapleton reported:

- Dr. Bailey, Harper Business Solution, will present the Needs Assessment to the Mental Health Board on September 11, 2024. Administrator Stapleton will send the report to the board when she receives it.
- Funding Applications are now available; they are on the website for download. They are due to the Township by September 26.
- The AARP Safe Driving class will be held on September 23 and 26; spaces are still available.
- Statistics for July 2024:
 - 1,713 rides – 812 non-medical, 901 Medical (Disabled 308 rides)
 - 976 - meals delivered

- 539 - visits to the Food Pantry – 1,185 people, 497 seniors, 288 children
- 9 – Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group
- 20 –(VIP) Visually Impaired Support Group – Speaker Spectrios Low Vision Institute in Wheaton
- 6 – (VIP)Visually Impaired Book Club

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION #5: 2024 LEVY CALENDAR APPROVAL

Motion by Supervisor Penner, seconded by Trustee Kozicki to approve the 2024 Levy Calendar.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Penner, Kozicki, Murglin, Hamilton, Talken
NAYS: None.... Motion #5 Carried.

MOTION #6: REVISED VACATION POLICY APPROVAL

Motion by Supervisor Penner, seconded by Trustee Murglin to approve the Revised Vacation Policy.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Penner, Murglin, Kozicki, Hamilton, Talken
NAYS: None.... Motion #6 Carried.

MOTION #7: ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Supervisor Penner seconded by Trustee Kozicki to adjourn.

VOICE CALL VOTE: All Ayes.... Motion #7 Carried.

The meeting for Tuesday, August 27, 2024, was declared adjourned at 8:40 p.m. The next scheduled regular board meeting is set for Tuesday, September 24, 2024, at 8:00 p.m.

Joanna M. Gauza
Wheeling Township Clerk

TOTAL PAYMENT DUE

2023 Second Installment Property Tax Bill - Cook County Electronic Bill

\$0.00

By 09/01/2024

Property Index Number (PIN) [REDACTED] Volume 231 Code 38016 Tax Year 2023 (Payable In) (2024) Township WHEELING Classification 2-78

IF PAYING LATE, PLEASE PAY

09/02/2024 - 10/01/2024 **\$0.00**

10/02/2024 - 11/01/2024 **\$0.00**

11/02/2024 - 12/01/2024 **\$0.00**

LATE INTEREST IS 0.75% PER MONTH, BY STATE LAW

YOUR TAXING DISTRICTS

WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES

Total 2023 Tax Bill \$15,052.72

\$4,246.85 MORE than 2022

Taxing District	2023 Tax	2022 Tax	Difference
Community Consolidated SD 21 (Wheeling)	\$6,872.96	\$4,902.62	\$1,970.34 More
Township HS District 214 (Arlington Hts)	\$3,542.24	\$2,487.80	\$1,054.44 More
Village of Arlington Heights	\$1,461.81	\$1,055.62	\$406.19 More
Arlington Heights Park District	\$696.86	\$490.79	\$206.07 More
Harper College Comm College 512 Palatine	\$598.34	\$433.67	\$164.67 More
Arlington Heights Library Fund	\$570.82	\$430.50	\$140.32 More
Metro Water Reclamation Dist of Chicago	\$499.83	\$395.59	\$104.24 More
County of Cook	\$246.28	\$262.34	-\$16.06 Less
Cook County Public Safety	\$201.38	\$112.12	\$89.26 More
Cook County Health Facilities	\$111.56	\$81.45	\$30.11 More
Cook County Forest Preserve District	\$108.66	\$85.68	\$22.98 More
Town of Wheeling	\$53.60	\$38.08	\$15.52 More
Consolidated Elections	\$46.36	\$0.00	\$46.36 More
Town Wheeling Road Fund	\$17.39	\$12.69	\$4.70 More
Northwest Mosq Abatement Dist Wheeling	\$14.49	\$9.52	\$4.97 More
General Assistance Wheeling	\$10.14	\$7.40	\$2.74 More

DO NOT PAY THESE TOTALS

\$15,052.72 \$10,805.87 \$4,246.85 More

The above breakdown displays how much you pay in property taxes to each taxing district and the change from last year. Please see reverse side for a detailed breakdown by Taxing District.

TAX CALCULATOR

2022 Assessed Value	53,999	2023 Total Tax Before Exemptions	16,922.92
2023 Property Value	539,990	Homeowner's Exemption	-1,039.00
2023 Assessment Level	X 10%	Senior Citizen Exemption	-831.20
2023 Assessed Value	53,999	Senior Freeze Exemption	.00
2023 State Equalizer	X 3.0163		
2023 Equalized Assessed Value (EAV)	162,877	2023 Total Tax After Exemptions	15,052.72
2023 Local Tax Rate	X 10.390%	First Installment	5,943.23
2023 Total Tax Before Exemptions	16,922.92	Second Installment +	9,109.49
		Total 2023 Tax (Payable In 2024)	15,052.72

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

PROPERTY LOCATION

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS IL 60004 1764

MAILING ADDRESS

ARLINGTON HTS IL [REDACTED]

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Wheeling Township Road Management 2024-2025 Snow and Ice Control Agreement Extension

THIS AGREEMENT Extension is entered into this **1st day of October, 2024**, by and between Northfield Township Road District, Illinois and Wheeling Township, Illinois.

WHEREAS, Wheeling Township is organized and exists under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Wheeling Township is responsible for the maintenance of various roads throughout the Township; and

WHEREAS, Wheeling Township has determined the jurisdictional transfer of snow and ice control services to an adjacent township road district to be in the best interests of its residents;

WHEREAS, pursuant with the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1, *et seq.*, Wheeling Township has agreed to pay to the Northfield Township Road District certain sums for performing 14 plow/salt and 13 salt events per winter seasons 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025 for snow and ice control services on various Wheeling Township roadways. Any services performed above the 14 plow/salt and 13 salt events require an additional payment as specified in Exhibit B.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the aforementioned premises and other good and valuable considerations, each of the said parties hereto covenants and agrees as follows:

1. Northfield Township Road District agrees to provide snow and ice control services including but not limited to the requirements specified in the "Contract Performance" attached hereto as Exhibit 1 of this Agreement. Exhibit A describes the Wheeling Township unincorporated roads subject to this Agreement. Note that even though some of the unincorporated roads end before the next cross street, Northfield Township Road District must clear such roads to its natural end, as shown in Exhibits A, A-1, A-2 and A-3 of this Agreement, which **now excludes Gregory Ave. since it's in Des Plaines.**
2. Northfield Township Road District agrees to perform an annual pre-season drive to document the existing conditions of the road, right-of-way, mail boxes and traffic signs and notify Wheeling Township of the findings. If any conditions are deemed hazardous and are in need of repair and Wheeling Township fails to repair such hazardous conditions, Wheeling Township will be responsible for the repair or replacement of damaged property or damage to Northfield Township Road District's snow and ice control equipment resulting from such hazards.
3. Wheeling Township shall handle any and all homeowner complaints regarding snow and ice control services. Northfield Township shall respond to these complaints received by the Road Manager. Northfield Township Road District shall promptly report any property or vehicular damage to the Township Road Manager. Wheeling Township will keep plowing areas clear of vehicles, debris and various other items to insure a thorough plowing and de-icing can be performed. Wheeling Township shall be responsible to maintain the roadway surfaces and to repair any deteriorating road surfaces (pot holes) caused by the freeze and thaw cycle during the winter season.
4. Northfield Township Road District agrees to repair or replace mailboxes damaged by Northfield Township Road District snow and ice control equipment. Northfield Township Road District will replace a mail box that cannot be repaired with a medium galvanized sheet post-mount mailbox on a 4" x 4" x 6 ft. southern yellow pine angle mailbox post with 24 in. Gray Ground Master Post System.

5. Wheeling Township shall make payments to Northfield Township Road District as required by Paragraph 10 of the Exhibit 1, and in the amounts as specified in attached hereto as Exhibit B of this Agreement. The Wheeling Township Road Manager shall review and recommend "approval" of all Northfield Township Road District's monthly invoices through the 15th day of each month.
6. Northfield Township Road District shall comply with all statutes, rules and regulations of all Federal, State and Local Agencies having jurisdiction over the snow and ice control work.

WHEREFORE, this agreement was executed in two (2) original counterparts on the day and date first written above.

Wheeling Township

Northfield Township Road District

Township Supervisor



Highway Commissioner

ATTEST:

ATTEST:

Township Clerk

Township Clerk

Wheeling Township Road Management 2024-2025 Annual Snow and Ice Control
 Contract Ext. Changes made from 2021-2024 Annual Snow and Ice
 Original Control Contract # 2017-2020

Exhibit B

Item #	Events	Unit	Description	2021-2022 snow season	2022-2023 snow season	2023-2024 snow season	2024-2025 SNOW SEASON
1	As required up to maximum	Each	Snow and Ice Control Contract for Wheeling Township Unincorporated Roads per (Exhibit "A"), with a maximum of 14 Plow and Salt events and 13 Salt only events per snow season	\$ 46,442	\$ 47,835	\$ 49,270	\$ 49,270
2	As required	Each	Per additional plow/salt event	\$ 1711.05	\$ 1762.38	\$ 1815.25	\$ 1815.25
3	As required	Each	Salt Only Event	\$ 729.16	\$ 751.03	\$ 773.56	\$ 773.56

UNINCORPORATED MT. PROSPECT:

ANITA AVE. / BONNIE BRAE AVE. / BROOKFIELD AVE. / MORRISON AVE. / HILL ST./
 WOODLAND DR. / LEE STREET / GRAYLYNN DR. ... (Approx.: 2.7 Miles)

UNINCORPORATED-ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

BETTY DRIVE / ELLEN DRIVE / DUNLO AVE. / OLD BUFFALO GROVE ROAD / PARK PLACE /
 DARRYL DRIVE / SALK ROAD (Approx. 1.3 miles)

UNINCORPORATED-NORTHBROOK

PORTWINE ROAD: Dundee Rd. to Lake Cook Rd. (Approx. 1 mile)

AGREEMENT
FOR SNOW AND ICE CONTROL SERVICES

This AGREEMENT made and entered into this ____ day of _____ 2024, by and between the VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS (hereinafter referred to as "Northbrook") and WHEELING TOWNSHIP (hereinafter referred to as the "Township").

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Wheeling Township is organized and exists under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Township is responsible for the maintenance, including snow and ice control services, of various roads throughout Wheeling Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that the jurisdictional transfer of snow and ice control services to Northbrook with respect to Forestview Drive is in the best interest of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Township has agreed to pay to Northbrook a certain specified sum for performing snow and ice control services on Forestview Drive for the period beginning November 15, 2024 and ending April 15, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the aforesaid premises and other good and valuable consideration, each of the said parties hereto covenants and agrees as follows:

1. Northbrook agrees to provide snow and ice control services for Forestview Drive, a distance of approximately 0.26 miles, from Portwine Road east to Northbrook's corporate limits, for the period beginning November 15, 2024 and ending April 15, 2025 for an annual sum of \$1,400.
2. Snow and ice control services required to be rendered by Northbrook hereunder shall be limited to such snow plowing and salting as is normally provided on Northbrook's streets by Northbrook and shall not include any snow removal or the hauling or plowing of driveways or shoulder areas.
3. The Township agrees that Northbrook will not be held responsible for any losses, injuries or damages, public or private, which may occur during the rendition of snow and ice control services by Northbrook.
4. The Township will indemnify and hold and save harmless Northbrook, its agents, servants, officials, contractors and employees from and against any and all liability, claims, actions or causes of actions, including without limitation attorney's fees, which Northbrook shall or may at any time sustain or incur or which may be asserted against Northbrook by reason of or in consequence of or arising out of the Northbrook's agents, servants, officials, contractors or employees entering onto the streets under the jurisdiction of the Township and/or performing work thereon, going to or coming from work thereon in accordance with this Agreement, failing to perform said work, or performing said works negligently and the Township will pay

Northbrook, or its successors and assigns, all sums of money which the Village shall pay or cause to be paid or become liable to pay on account of any such claims, including without limitation attorney's fees, as herein set forth. This indemnity agreement, however, shall not include or apply to injuries to persons employed by Northbrook while acting within the scope of their employment.

- 5. On or about November 15, 2025, Northbrook will bill the Township in the amount of \$1,400 and the Township shall pay the same within thirty (30) days after receipt of the bill.
- 6. It is further understood and agreed that Northbrook shall have the right to terminate this Agreement at its discretion provided that written notice is given to the Township not less than fifteen (15) days in advance of the termination date. In such case, payment shall be prorated based on the number of days for which this Agreement was in force during the applicable period beginning November 15, 2024 and ending April 15, 2025.
- 7. The Township agrees to perform all maintenance other than snow and ice control services on Forestview Drive and shall promptly notify Northbrook of any surface deficiencies.
- 8. Any and all complaints regarding snow and ice control shall be handled exclusively by the Township.
- 9. Snow and ice control services will be scheduled at Northbrook's sole discretion.

VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

Village Manager

ATTEST:

Village Clerk

WHEELING TOWNSHIP

Township Supervisor

ATTEST:

Township Clerk