### **GENEVA TOWNSHIP**

# ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES

# TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2006

Clerk Barbara Olson called the 2006 Annual Town Meeting to order. Clerk Olson led the Pledge to the Flag. Geneva Township elected officials were introduced. Clerk Olson accepted nominations for Moderator. Motion by Colin Campbell (6<sup>th</sup> Street)/second by Bill Kruse (Potomac Ct.) to nominate Patrick Jaeger for Moderator. Motion by Patrick Jaeger (Lewis Road)/second by Sharon Brazill (Fairway Circle) to nominate Mark Wissing for Moderator. Motion by Richard Sharp (Stone Circle)/second by Eleanor Lukazewski (Kenston Court) to nominate Hilda Flynn for Moderator. Motion by Patrick Jaeger/second by Sharon Brazill to close the nominations. Motion carried. After a vote by hand signal, it was determined that Hilda Flynn had won the vote for Moderator. Clerk Olson administered the Oath of Office.

#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

### **MODERATOR'S SALARY**

Motion by Patrick Jaeger/second by Sharon Brazill to set the Moderator's salary at \$35.00. Motion carried.

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 12, 2005 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING Clerk Olson distributed copies of the 2005 Annual Meeting Minutes.

#### SUPERVISOR'S ANNUAL STATEMENT

Clerk Olson distributed copies of the 2005-2006 Supervisor's Annual Statement, highlighted the information and asked that questions be directed to Geneva Township Supervisor, Patrick Jaeger.

# DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATIONS, AND RESOLUTIONS BY ELECTORS

Supervisor Patrick Jaeger asked for authorization to purchase American Flags to be placed on the graves of veterans killed in action who are buried in Geneva Township.

Motion by Patrick Jaeger/second by Colin Campbell to authorize the purchase of the flags.

Supervisor Jaeger asked that the motion be amended to include the purchase of 23 flags to be placed in front of the Geneva Township building on Memorial Day to honor those veterans who were killed in action, but are buried elsewhere. Motion by Patrick Jaeger/second by Denise LaCure(Western Avenue) to amend the original motion to include the purchase of the 23 flags. Motion to amend carried.

Motion to authorize the original motion as amended carried.

#### **ADVISORY QUESTION**

Motion by Colin Campbell/second by Bill Kruse to place on the November, 2006 ballot an advisory question of public policy. The question as read by Bill Kruse is as follows:

**'WHEREAS voters in Geneva Township should be permitted to cast a vote and advise their elected representatives on their opinion regarding question of public policy; and** 

WHEREAS 60ILC1/30-205 indicates the electors present at a town meeting may authorize that an advisory question of public policy be placed on the ballot at the next regularly scheduled election in the township;"

"NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Electors of Geneva Township assembled at the 2006 township meeting of Geneva Township, Kane County, that it is hereby directed that the following non-binding advisory question of public policy be placed on the ballot at the next regularly scheduled election in the township; and that the township board certify the question to the proper election officials."

"shall the United States Government immediately begin an orderly and rapid withdrawal of all its military personnel from Iraq, beginning with the National Guard and Reserves?"

**Discussion:** 

Patrick Jaeger suggested that this question was outside the paramenters of Geneva Township. He thought Congressman Hastert and others should be contacted for their support.

Becky Kruse(Potomac) stated that the question should have the support of the voters.

Patrick Jaeger said that Geneva Township would post the names and telephone numbers of elected persons to call.

Eleanor Lukazewski reminded those in attendance that township government is the last place for the public to speak out on issues. Becky Kruse stated that if Geneva Township could afford the cost of flags, it could afford the cost of placing the question on the ballot.

Colin Campbell reminded those in attendance that the question might fail. He also suggested that voter turnout may be low, but presidents have been elected on low voter turnout.

A vote was taken on the nonbinding resolution to place the question on the ballot. Vote was 16 for the motion and 10 against the motion. Motion carried. Page 3 Annual Town Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 11, 2006

### SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Supervisor Patrick Jaeger announced that the current computer equipment was to be replaced by new computers. Motion by Patrick Jaeger/second by Denise LaCure to declare all of the computer equipment surplus and available for sale. Becky Kruse asked if that meant sealed bid or donation. Supervisor Jaeger said that the equipment would be sold thru sealed bid. Motion to declare the computer equipment as surplus carried.

SET TIME AND DATE FOR THE 2007 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING Motion by Colin Campbell/second by Glorianne Campbell(6<sup>th</sup> Street) to set the 2007 Annual Town Meeting for Tuesday, April 10, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

No other business was brought before the electorate.

Motion by Patrick Jaeger/second by Denise LaCure to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

**Respectfully submitted,** 

Barbara E. Olson Township Clerk

Hilda Flynn Moderator