The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of West Deerfield Township was called to order by Township Supervisor Alyson Feiger at 7:00 p.m. at the West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Rd., Deerfield, Illinois.

Roll call was taken by Clerk Kristen Scott. Present were Trustees Kaye Kharasch, Ron Levitsky, Ron Schwartz, and Supervisor Feiger.

MINUTES
Trustee Levitsky motioned to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2018 Board meeting and was seconded by Supervisor Feiger. Trustee Schwartz asked for a small amendment, which was accepted by Trustee Levitsky. There being no further discussion, a voice vote was taken. All were in favor and the minutes were approved as amended.

Trustee Kharasch asked for a moment of silence in memory of those killed in the February 14, 2018 Florida school shooting.

PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

OLD BUSINESS
None.

NEW BUSINESS
A. For discussion and potential action: Approve Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2018-2019
Supervisor Feiger reviewed her proposed Budget for the coming fiscal year, and discussion followed. Trustee Schwartz motioned to approve the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 2018-1 as it was originally presented. Supervisor Feiger seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Clerk Scott took roll call: Trustee Kharasch (aye), Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Schwartz (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the motion was approved.

B. For discussion and potential action: Participation in the Illinois Department of Human Rights Fairness and Equity Campaign
Supervisor Feiger called the Board’s attention to an invitation by the Illinois Department of Human Rights to participate in a year-long celebration of the state’s cultural diversity and improve relations within communities, in honor of the Illinois Bicentennial. Following discussion, Trustee Schwartz motioned that West Deerfield Township participate in the Illinois Department of Human Rights Fairness and Equity Campaign and appropriate up to $1,000 for this effort, coming from the Board Initiatives line
item. Trustee Kharasch seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Clerk Scott took roll call: Trustee Kharasch (aye), Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Schwartz (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the motion was approved.

C. For discussion and potential action: Reschedule March 20, 2018 Meeting of the West Deerfield Township Board
Supervisor Feiger asked the Board if any of them would experience a conflict on March 20, the day of the General Primary Election. As no conflicts existed, the issue was dismissed.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT
Supervisor Feiger apprised the Board of various points, including 1) that David Fitzgerald of the Village of Deerfield would chair the Community Service Contracts committee; 2) Clerk Scott and Township Transportation Coordinator Janice Winter registered students to vote at Deerfield High School earlier in February; 3) and encouraged the Board to attend Township Topics Day, sponsored by Township Officials of Illinois, in Springfield on April 25.

OPEN DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD
Trustee Levitsky recapped a meeting of the Village of Deerfield Jubilee Celebration committee, which he attended with Janice Winter. Trustee Kharasch advocated that the Board devise a way to allow Township residents to present a unified voice against gun violence and availability.

AUDIT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS
Following brief discussion, Trustee Levitsky motioned to approve the bills as presented, and was seconded by Trustee Kharasch. Clerk Scott took roll call: Trustee Kharasch (aye), Trustee Levitsky (aye), Trustee Schwartz (aye), and Supervisor Feiger (aye). All being in favor the bills were approved.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business, Supervisor Feiger motioned to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Schwartz seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken; all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 7 p.m., at the West Deerfield Township Center, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield, Illinois.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Scott
West Deerfield Township Clerk