Wauconda Township may get vote on benefits

Wauconda Township has posted a notice of a special meeting, Aug. 23, 6 p.m. at 505 Bonner Road to vote on inclusion of a referendum question for the November ballot to reduce benefit cost of three elected officials (current cost is about $85,000/year for three). The identical question was unjustly omitted from annual meeting agenda in April by the Township Board.

By no way am I excusing or condoning the Wauconda Townships Board’s action in March — a tie vote, with the supervisor abstaining. I had two choices, either a legal action or organize a second petition for a special meeting. It is odd that the township is on record, in the May 16 meeting minutes, as stating that an addition $7,000 is budgeted for legal expense because of my actions instead of the board’s inaction to recognize their statutory duty to serve petitioning electors, instead of themselves.

I would like to personally thank the entire Citizen Advocacy Center Organization team, especially Maryam Judar, Michael Cannell, and Terry Pastika for their diligence and research to facilitate the special meeting.

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