



MINUTES, TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEKALB, ILLINOIS
June 10th, 2020

Due to the Governor's order restricting gatherings of 10 or more people, and in an effort to restrict the spread of COVID 19, the Township reserves the right to restrict attendance to the meeting. The Township encouraged anyone who wished to attend the Town Board meeting to do so. Should we be unable to safely accommodate social distancing guidelines, the Township Board reserves the right to adjourn until such time (and place) when social distancing is possible.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00p by Supervisor Johnson at the Township offices located at 2323 S. Fourth Street in DeKalb, Illinois. Roll was taken, those present were: Supervisor Johnson, Highway Commissioner Smith, Assessor Dyer, Trustees Flavin, King, McNett and Teboda.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Johnson and all in attendance.

Members of the Public Present: None to the record.

Presentations: None to the record

At 6:01p the board entered into a public hearing regarding the budgets for both the Township and the Road & Bridge district.

No public discussion or comments took place.

At 6:10p Supervisor Johnson made a motion to close the hearing, the motion was seconded by Trustee Teboda. Motion passed.

At 6:10p Trustee McNett made a motion to re-enter the regular township meeting, the motion was seconded by Trustee King. Motion passed.

Reports:

Supervisor Johnson: Just housekeeping items and taking care of staff problems, due to COVID-19, are being handled right now, along with regular duties.

The chains at Evergreen cemetery are up and the posts down. We need to figure out moving forward with upkeep and staffing for both cemeteries.

For General Assistance, only Zoom and phone meetings are being utilized to service our clients. Appointments are only being made when completed paperwork is received.



A full welfare program is being developed. The Township will be following DeKalb County Courthouse regulations for opening up the building. Operational systems are currently under development.

The Township Officials of Illinois November convention has been cancelled, a board retreat may be planned instead.

Clerk Kunde: Nothing

Road Commissioner Smith: One month ago Tyler Kilcullen was hired to mow the cemeteries. Tyler will be leaving on June 16th for the Army and Austin Brantley will be taking over the mowing. A retaining wall will be built at Evergreen Cemetery at 7th and Taylor streets. Small, neutral color bricks will be used; plans for flowers and bushes, in the future, are in the works.

The floor drains in the older part of the building were replaced last Friday. A pad for a gasoline fuel tank has been installed, the crew no longer has to drive to FS once a week for fuel.

Road work is going great, there were several roads closed down due to flooding for about a week.

Assessor Dyer: Attempts at measuring property have not gone well, due to COVID-19. There has been some public anger and backlash, so they are putting off measuring for another couple of weeks.

Until phase 4 of COVID-19 the department is working on a rotating schedule, one week on location and one week at home to limit exposure. They are looking forward to getting back to normal.

Trustee King: On June 16th the City of DeKalb is having a public HRC meeting for recommendations from the public and not story sharing.

Orientation at NIU has begun and is being done remotely.

The Black Lives Matter movement is an opportunity to bring some things to light and Trustee King hopes we are turning a corner.

Trustee Flavin: Nothing



Trustee McNett: Referred one person to the Township's COVID-19 relief program. The DeKalb Police are just doing business as usual. The numbers of protestors are going down; they are just maintaining crowd control. Different type's body cameras are currently being tested.

Trustee Teboda: Trustee Teboda is just trying to reach out to people who need food assistance and directing them to the Township relief program.

The re-opening of Children's Learning Center is planned for June 29th; they are keeping their fingers crossed for the target date. There are so many rules and regulations that they have to follow, they hope they can meet the target re-open.

Bill Paying:

A motion to approve the May Audit Report and June bills to pay was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Flavin. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Johnson: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; Trustee Flavin: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye and Trustee Teboda: Aye. Motion passed.

A motion to approve and file the May Treasurer's budgetary report was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Trustee Teboda. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Johnson: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; Trustee Flavin: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye; and Trustee Teboda: Aye. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Agenda Items:

- A. Approval of minutes from the regular meeting of May 13th, 2020. A motion was made by Trustee King to approve the minutes of May 13th, 2020 and was seconded by Supervisor Johnson. Motion passed
- B. Approval of minutes from the regular meeting of April 14th, 2020. A motion was made by Trustee McNett to approve the minutes of April 14th, 2020 and was seconded by Supervisor Johnson. Motion Passed
- C. Approval of Executive Session minutes of December 11th, 2019. Trustee Flavin made a motion to approve the Executive Session minutes of December 11th, 2019 and was seconded by Trustee Teboda. Motion passed.
- D. Discussion of 2020-2023 energy contract with action to approve Supervisor Johnson to entering into a favorable contract on behalf of the township. A motion was made by Trustee Teboda to allow Supervisor Johnson the ability to enter into a favorable energy contract and was seconded by Trustee King. Motion passed.
- E. Approval of Ordinance 2020-001 DeKalb Township Budget and Appropriation for the fiscal year beginning April 1st, 2020 and ending March 31st, 2021. A motion was made by Trustee Flavin to approve Ordinance 2020-01 with the following amendments:



- a. Under Cemeteries: the addition of \$20,000.00 for construction and/or maintenance expenses, materials and equipment.
- b. Under General Assistance Services: to amend Aid Services to Aid/Welfare Services and related expenses. And amend Food Pantry support to \$60,000.00.

The motion was seconded by Trustee King. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Johnson: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; Trustee Flavin: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye; and Trustee Teboda: Aye. Motion passed.


Approval of Ordinance 2020-002 DeKalb Road District Budget and Appropriation for the fiscal year beginning April 1st, 2020 and ending March 31st, 2021. A motion was made by Supervisor Johnson to approve Ordinance 2020-02 and was seconded by Trustee King. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Johnson: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; Trustee Flavin: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye; and Trustee Teboda: Aye. Motion passed.

Next Regular Meeting: Will be on July 8th, 2020 at 6:00pm at the Township offices.


There is not Committee on Youth meeting scheduled at this time; a current board is not seated.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Teboda and seconded by Trustee Flavin. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:44pm.

Respectfully submitted
Geraldynne Kunde, DeKalb Township Clerk



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Jennifer Jeep Johnson, Town Supervisor