

# MINUTES, TOWNSHIP BOARD DEKALB, ILLINOIS November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Johnson at 6:00pm 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 conducted by Supervisor Johnson and all in attendance.

**Members of the Public Present:** Sheridan Ernst representative of the Y.M.C.A. and Mary Ellen Schaid from Safe Passage.

**Presentations:** Sheridan Ernst, representing the Y.M.C.A. gave a presentation to the board explaining the need for grants which fund the programs provided through their Open Doors program. The Open Doors program helps fund low income families and residents. Ms. Ernst also explained that dues collected are used to pay for the bricks and mortar for the Y.M.C.A..

Mary Ellen Schaid, from Safe Passage, gave a presentation to the board on Safe Passage programs and the building of the new shelter. The organization helps with domestic violence and sexual abuse as legal advocates for their clients. Safe passage has just recently started sheltering male victims of domestic violence. The organization also helps with counseling of adults, families and children. A relationship with N.I.U. and Kishwaukee College has begun, in order to help their students, deal with domestic violence and sexual abuse. The college programs work on prevention with confidential advisors, making a positive impact.

### **Reports:**

## **Supervisor Johnson:**

The Senior Fair was great, but unfortunately had a low turnout. Use of another venue, for future events, would be more appropriate.

The Personnel Policy is still being worked on, the Road District attorney is reviewing and has made some minor changes.

Levy will be presented next month, please start thinking about programs, etc. that you would like to see the township involved in.

Rules and fees for the cemeteries will need to be worked on this winter. We need to automate and fix fees at a reasonable cost.





#### Clerk Kunde:

Nothing

## **Highway Commissioner Smith:**

The triangle between our building and 88 is once again being discussed. It has been appraised at \$68,000 and the district is interested in purchasing the parcel for future growth. Discussions will have to take place after April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 for next year's budget. A public meeting will need to be scheduled in order to ask permission from the electors of the township for permission to purchase. More information will be discussed at December's meeting.

A part-time employee has been hired, early, to help with walks and snow removal.

## **Assessor Dyer:**

Read the appraisal for the triangle and deemed it inline and appropriate. Enjoyed the T.O.I. conference. The office is busy and a little overwhelmed with the amount of work they currently have.

#### **Trustee Flavin:**

Had a good time at the conference. Attended the cemetery presentation and agrees that we need to establish laws and fees for our township cemeteries.

### **Trustee King:**

Enjoyed the conference. Attended the legislative update and census presentations and felt they were very informative.

### **Trustee McNett:**

Good conference, enjoyed the presentations.

## **Trustee Teboda:**

Enjoyed the conference. We need to get the value of townships out to the public. Ms. Teboda is becoming a member of the Dementia Friendly Community program.

## **Bill Paying:**

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





A motion to approve and file the November Treasurer's budgetary report was made by Trustee Teboda and 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.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** A motion was made by Trustee McNett to approve the 2020 Holiday Schedule for the Township and was seconded by Trustee Teboda. Motion passed.

**Approval of the regular Town minutes:** a motion was made by Supervisor Johnson to approve the minutes from the October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting and was seconded by Trustee King. Motion passed.

### **Other Business:**

Next Regular Meeting will be December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6pm in the Township Offices located at 2323 S. Fourth Street in DeKalb.

The Committee on Youth will not meet until January; grants have been approved.

The Township's Holiday Luncheon will be on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> beginning around noon/12:30p.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Teboda and seconded by Trustee King. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32p.

Respectfully submitted,

Geralynne Kunde DeKalb Township Clerk

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Jennifer Jeep Johnson, Supervisor