

MINUTES – BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES

STATE OF ILLINOIS LAKE COUNTY

THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met virtually on Zoom

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Meeting ID: 879 3252 5331 Passcode: 655187 on Thursday, **March 18, 2021**, at 7:00 p.m.

The Zoom link was published with the agenda and posted on the Township website Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

Kathleen M. O'Connor-----SUPERVISOR

Anne Hansen----- CLERK

Carol A. August----- TRUSTEE

Cathleen Dohrn-----TRUSTEE

Matthew A. Kovatch----- TRUSTEE

Terry A. White----- TRUSTEE

Supervisor O'Connor called the virtual Zoom meeting (due to Covid-19 virus) to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge to the Flag, roll call and all Board Members were virtually present. Highway Commissioner Neal was also virtually present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 25, 2021

A motion by Trustee White and a second by Trustee August to approve the **February 25, 2021** Board meeting minutes. There was no discussion. All in favor, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

TOWN FUND

Motion by Trustee Kovatch and a second by Trustee August to approve the expenditures from the **Town Fund** in the amount of **\$12,425.82**. There was no additional discussion. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee Dohrn, aye, Trustee August, aye, Trustee Kovatch, aye, Supervisor O'Connor, aye. Motion carried.

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

Motion by Trustee Dohrn and a second by Trustee White to approve the expenditures from the **Road and Bridge Fund** in the amount of **\$4,213.03**. There was no additional discussion. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee Dohrn, aye, Trustee August, aye, Trustee Kovatch, aye, Supervisor O'Connor, aye. Motion carried.

OPEN SPACE FUND

A motion by Trustee Dohrn and a second by Trustee White to approve the expenditures from the **Open Space Fund** in the amount of **\$13,025.46**. There was no additional discussion. On

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roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee Dohrn, aye, Trustee August, aye, Trustee Kovatch, aye, Supervisor O'Connor, aye. Motion carried.

Citizens' Comments

Citizens were invited on the website to send questions or concerns via email. The Board did not receive any public comment.

TOWNSHIP REPORTS:

Assessor's Report – Absent

Clerk's Report

Clerk Hansen said Early Voting begins on Friday, March 19, 2021. Locations are posted at the office and on the County website.

Highway Commissioner's Report

Highway Commissioner Neal reported on the recent snow events and resurfacing projects.

Trustees' Report – None

Supervisor's Report

Supervisor O'Connor reported the March 13th Open Space Volunteer Workday at Liberty Prairie was very successful with 10 volunteers. The work completed included the cutting of invasives and seed collection.

APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FROM CLARKE ENVIRONMENTAL MOSQUITO MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR THE 2021 SEASON DISCUSSION & VOTE

Supervisor O'Connor explained the Core Larval Control Service included the inspection of potential breeding sites (ponds, swales, ditches, etc.) and controlling the mosquito immature stages before they emerge as flying adults - \$21,500.00. It is a modest increase from last year. Each adult mosquito control application (spraying) is invoiced after each application at rate of \$1,993.00 per spraying for a total cost of \$11,958.00. On average, there are 6 sprayings per year.

Trustee Kovatch asked about the slight increase in cost. Supervisor O'Connor said it varies depending on the services needed each year. On average, there are 6 sprayings a year.

A motion by Trustee Kovatch and a second by Trustee White to approve the professional services agreement from Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management, Inc. for the 2021 season. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee Dohrn, aye, Trustee August, aye, Trustee Kovatch, aye, Supervisor O'Connor, aye. Motion carried.

2021-22 DRAFT TOWN FUND BUDGET – DISCUSSION

The Board received a copy of the draft budget and worksheet in their packets. Supervisor O'Connor highlighted the projects and expenses projected for the year. Discussion ensued.

2021-22 DRAFT ROAD & BRIDGE BUDGET-DISCUSSION

Highway Commissioner Neal highlighted the projects and expenses projected for the year. The Board received a copy of the Road & Bridge draft budget. Discussion ensued.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AGENDA – APPROVAL

TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 @7:00 P.M. – DISCUSSION & VOTE

A motion by Trustee White and a second by Trustee August to approve the Annual Town Meeting Agenda scheduled for April 13, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. There was no additional discussion. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee Dohrn, aye, Trustee August, aye, Trustee Kovatch, aye, Supervisor O'Connor, aye. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS – There was no new business.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor O'Connor reported Applied Ecological Services has begun the tree inventory on the Rt. 45 property.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn by Trustee August and a second by Trustee Dohrn. All in favor, aye. Motion carried.

Time: 7:50

Respectfully submitted,



Anne Hansen, Township Clerk