

MINUTES, TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEKALB, ILLINOIS
January 8th, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Johnson at 6:06 p.m. at the temporary township offices located at 444 E. Hillcrest, Unit 333 in DeKalb, Illinois. Roll was taken; those present were Supervisor Johnson, Trustees Schweitzer, Flavin and King, Township Assessor Hietikko. Road Commissioner Smith arrived to the meeting 6:13pm and Trustee Teboda was absent.

Members of the public present: Jim Luebke as a first time home owner in the Township and Dan Kenney representing DeKalb County Community Gardens.

There was no Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Response from public: None

Presentations: Mr. Dan Kenney presented the programs of the DeKalb County Community Gardens, their mission statement and benefits of the program. The primary goal of the program is to provide fresh and wholesome food sources for county residents by promoting school and neighborhood gardens throughout DeKalb County.

Reports:

Supervisor Johnson: The County rejected the individual line item for our Insurance Levy, the only option available would be to take the issue to the voters in the form of a referendum. Once the weather clears, probably late January Supervisor Johnson and Road Commissioner Smith plan on meeting with the Village of Hillcrest to discuss the solar panels and do an on sight inspection. Supervisor Johnson is currently working toward securing the grant in July. Township Officials of Illinois are once again promoting the scholarship program available to High School Seniors. DeKalb Township is also working toward getting more applicants from our area, we have never had a winner but we keep trying.

Clerk Kunde: None

Road Commissioner Smith: It's been a busy month. One of our snow plow drivers hit a car at South Malta & Nelson roads and the incident has been turned in to our insurance company. Nelson Road is closed at the railroad crossing, the crossing gates have been malfunctioning. Commissioner Smith is happy to report that the Township has plenty of salt, no shortages are foreseen. The building renovation is moving along and the target date is still set for April 1st, 2014.

Assessor Hietikko: None

Trustee King: Would like the opportunity to involve N.I.U. students with the community. She would like to establish some programs that would partner the Township with the students in some sort of collaborative manner. Trustee King would also like to look into establishing a DeKalb Township scholarship program.

Trustee Flavin: Is still working on contacting TOI officials regarding the distribution of products at the TOI conference that were made in China.

Trustee Schweitzer: None

Bill Paying:

A motion to approve the December audit report and January bills to pay was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Schweitzer. Motion passed.

A motion to approve and file the December Budgetary report was made by Trustee Flavin and seconded by Supervisor Johnson. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 11th, 2013 by Trustee Flavin and seconded by Trustee King. Motion passed

Next Regular Meeting: February 12th, 2014 at 6:00pm at the temporary offices of the Township at 444 Hillcrest Drive, Suite 330.

The next regular meeting for the Committee on Youth will be January 23rd, 2014 at 4pm and held at the Youth Services Bureau.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Schweitzer and seconded by Trustee King. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:47pm.

Eric Johnson, Supervisor

Geralynne Kunde, Clerk