

MINUTES, TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEKALB, ILLINOIS
November 12th, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Johnson at 6:01 p.m. at the Township offices located at 2323 S. Fourth Street in DeKalb, Illinois. Roll was taken; those present were Supervisor Johnson, Assessor Hietikko, and Trustees Flavin and Schweitzer and Road Commissioner Smith. Trustee King arrived at 6:05p and Trustee Teboda at 6:11p.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Johnson.

Members of the Public Present: Roger Hopkins, Consultant for the DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation.

Reports from the Public: None

Presentations:

Hope Haven could not attend this evening, Supervisor Johnson will try to re-schedule for the December meeting

Mr. Roger Hopkins presented information on an Enterprise Zone that the DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation is proposing throughout the County. Our proposal would require a new Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of DeKalb, would be a 15-25 year agreement that could always be vacated. The new IGA would be different than our current one with the city and would delegate managerial authority of the zone to the DCEDC, extends State income tax breaks to businesses in the zone that meet certain criteria and has extensions for large distribution projects. Further information is contained in the packet distributed in our meeting packet.

Reports:

Supervisor Johnson: The Township Officials of Illinois convention was a success, our Township won several awards and the seminar classes were good. The GIS department from NIU has given us an updated map for our cemeteries; and we are looking into establishing a Cremation Garden in the future, possibly in the Spring and to generate revenue. Reconfiguration of the office has taken place; Amy Page was moved to a desk from the Assessor's office to the reception area to help with answering phones and traffic.

Clerk Kunde: None

Road Commissioner Smith: The mowers have been put away and plows are on the trucks. There are some current bills that are not in the meeting packet but are listed on the pay sheets, they were just received and need to be paid by the end of the month. The warranty on the building construction has been extended and the general architect is picking up 100% of any replacement costs. Steps are being taken to remedy the circulation in the building so that problem will not take place again in the future. The air quality inspector stated that we really do not need an inspection unless mold is discovered. The light problem in the lobby is still being worked on, trying to get them to stay on longer.

Assessor Hietikko:

Trustee Teboda: Conference was outstanding and learned a lot.

Trustee King: In agreement with Trustee Teboda regarding the conference. She would like to see the awards that the Township received recorded in the minutes. Supervisor Johnson stated that he is putting together a press release for the area media outlets.

Trustee Flavin: In agreement over the convention.

Trustee Schweitzer: In agreement over the convention.

Bill Paying:

A motion to approve the October audit report and November bills to pay was made by Trustee Schweitzer and seconded by Trustee Teboda. Motion passed.

A motion to approve and file the October 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 October 8th, 2014 by Trustee Teboda and seconded by Trustee Flavin. Motion passed.

Supervisor Johnson stated that we need to replace Jose Jaques on the Community on Youth board and presented the name of Joe Mitchell as his replacement. Mr. Mitchell represents a faith based organization and his term would go until 12/31/2015. Trustee King made a motion to accept Mr. Mitchell's appointment and was seconded by Trustee Flavin. Motion passed.

Next Regular Meeting: Will be on December 10th, 2014 at 6:00pm in the Township Offices located at 2424 S. Fourth Street in DeKalb.

There will not be a Committee on Youth meeting for the month of November due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Schweitzer and seconded by Supervisor Johnson. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:52 pm.

Eric Johnson, Supervisor

Geralynne Kunde, Clerk