

MINUTES, TOWNSHIP BOARD  
DEKALB, ILLINOIS  
May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Johnson at 6:00 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, Road Commissioner Smith and Trustees Flavin and Schweitzer; Trustee King arrived at 6:01p and Trustee Teboda was arrived at 6:02p.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Johnson.

**Members of the Public Present:** None

**Reports from the Public:** None

**Presentations:** None

**Reports:**

**Supervisor Johnson:** Township Officials of Illinois are updating their records, there is a sheet being passed around with individual board member's information; please check the information and make sure it is correct.

Supervisor Johnson read a note from 4 C's and Susan Peterson thanking us for allowing her to come to our meeting and explaining what 4 C's is all about.

Supervisor Johnson travelled to Springfield last week with Road Commissioner Smith to attend TOI Lobby Day; they discovered that there are many Township elimination bills being discussed right now.

The Artwork for the walls and throughout the building has been received from various DeKalb High School Art students. Nine pieces have been selected to display and the students, along with their parents, will be invited to next month's meeting.

On May 2<sup>nd</sup> the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Vehicle Safety check event was held at the Township building, 52 vehicles were checked. This was an increase over last year, the event is beginning to catch on, and hopefully even more will attend next year.

**Clerk Kunde:** Nothing to report.

**Road Commissioner Smith:** Commends Supervisor Johnson on his efforts in Springfield regarding Townships and the move to eliminate divisions and laws being discussed. Mr. Johnson is working hard on behalf of Township Government.

The Road district staff spent two weeks in Fairdale aiding in the cleanup efforts after the tornado. The cost to the Township was approximately \$10,000.00 and overtime was paid. There were about 40 Townships in attendance to aid in the cleanup relief.

All project bids are in and are about 10% lower than what was expected.

A 4 way stop is being installed at South Malta Road and Nelson Road.

**Assessor Hietikko:** Nothing to report, just recovering from surgery.

**Trustee Teboda:** Nothing to report.

**Trustee King:** Nothing to report.

**Trustee Flavin:** Nothing to report.

**Trustee Schweitzer:** Nothing to report.

**Bill Paying:**

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

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

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:**

Supervisor Johnson introduced Resolution 2015-005, "Resolution to authorize Supervisor to enter into an agreement to be featured on City View". After discussion a motion was made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Trustee Flavin to table the vote and do more investigating.

A proposal is on the table for the property just north of Oakwood Cemetery, Parcel #0814352001, to be donated to the Township by Sharon and Jim Rhoades, in lieu of purchasing the land and shall be known as Resolution #2015-006. It is requested that the land be dedicated to Mrs. Rhoades father, Dave Bush and be named Bush Preserve. A landscaped area is to be set aside and include a bench with a plaque reading "In Memory of Dave and Margaret Bush", an attractive sign be placed on the property, Jim and Sharon Rhoades will receive 6 burial plots and all fees associated with the transfer are to be paid by the Township. A motion was made by Trustee King to accept Resolution 2015-006 and was seconded by Trustee Teboda. Motion passed.

Supervisor Johnson introduced Ordinance #2015-007 relating to Parcel #0814352001 setting up rules of what can be done with the property after ownership has transferred. A piece of the parcel will be set aside for cemetery use and the rest will be used as open space. A motion was made by Trustee Schweitzer and seconded by Trustee Flavin to approve Ordinance #2015-007. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Johnson-aye, Trustee Schweitzer-aye, Trustee Flavin-aye, Trustee King-aye and Trustee Teboda-aye. Motion passed.

Next Regular Meeting: Will be on June 10th, 2015 at 6:00pm in the Township Offices located at 2424 S. Fourth Street in DeKalb.

The Committee on Youth will meet on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 4:00p in the Township offices.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Schweitzer and seconded by Supervisor Johnson. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

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Eric Johnson, Supervisor

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Geralynne Kunde, Clerk

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