



MINUTES, TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEKALB, ILLINOIS
January 11th, 2017

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Johnson.

Members of the Public Present: Rich Dyer, Brad Stewart and Kelly Cahill

Reports from the Public: None

Presentations: A presentation was given on the Law Firm of Zukowski, Rogers, Flood & McArdle by Brad Stewart and Kelly Cahill, attorneys of the law firm. They presented the many aspects of experience the firm has in handling legal affairs for Municipalities and Townships and explained the representation they could provide to DeKalb Township.

Reports:

Supervisor Johnson: Please fill out the new W-4 for the 2017 payroll process before you leave this evening. Our number of General Assistance Clients and interactions in 2016 were up from 2015, due to the current budget impasse at the State of Illinois. We had 2341 client contacts, 344 monthly grants, 43 new client grants, 152 denials, 307 intake applications, 541 logged calls and 87 walk-ins over the past year. The State of Illinois is discussing a property tax bill freeze for all local units of government with a two to four year freeze exempting Home Rule units and School Boards; if fully passed might produce some hardships for DeKalb Township in the future. The Township Consolidation Bill is also on the table and the decision to consolidate is being left up to elected boards.

Clerk Kunde: Just getting ready for the April 4th, 2017 Consolidated Election. The DeKalb County Clerk, Doug Johnson, would like to use our facilities for Early Voting again. A schedule will be given to Highway Commissioner Smith at our next meeting.

Road Commissioner Smith: The new furnace failed last week, we have power surges coming in to the building which caused the failure. Surge protectors have been installed with a special unit being connected to the furnace. DeKalb Mechanical is performing the work and installing Brain Boxes to alleviate this problem in the future. Over the last month we have been doing just a little bit of salting, mostly have been working on shop repair and general





maintenance. We are being sued because we are not spending enough money, it is a taxpayer law suit. The Road and Bridge attorney has been contacted and he is working on getting this resolved now and our name removed from the suit.

Assessor Hietikko: Nothing

Trustee King: Absent

Trustee Flavin: Might not be at next meeting.

Trustee Schweitzer: Absent

Trustee Teboda: Nothing

Bill Paying:

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

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

Old Business: None

New Business:

Approval of the regular Town minutes: a motion was made by Trustee Teboda to approve the minutes from the December 14th, 2016 meeting and was seconded by Trustee Flavin. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee Flavin to approve and pass Resolution #2017-001, a "Resolution Naming The Township Attorney", and a second was provided by Trustee Teboda. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Johnson, Aye; Trustee Schweitzer, Absent; Trustee Flavin, Aye; Trustee King, Absent and Trustee Teboda, Aye. Motion Passed.

Next Regular Meeting: Will be on February 8th, 2017, at 6:00p in the Township Offices located at 2424 S. Fourth Street in DeKalb and will be a Levy meeting. The Committee on Youth meeting will on January 26th, 2016 at 4p.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Teboda and seconded by Trustee Flavin. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:42p.

Respectfully submitted
Geraldynne Kunde, DeKalb Township Clerk