



MINUTES, TOWNSHIP BOARD  
DEKALB, ILLINOIS  
March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Johnson at 9:10am at the Township offices located at 2323 S. Fourth Street in DeKalb, Illinois. Roll was taken, those present were: Supervisor Johnson, Highway Commissioner Smith, Assessor Dyer, Trustees Flavin, McNett and Teboda, with Trustee King arriving at 9:11am.

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted by Supervisor Johnson.

**Members of the Public Present:** None

**Reports from the Public:** None

**Presentations:** None

**Reports:**

**Supervisor Johnson:** The Town Hall forum went well, several people watched the footage; would like to continue once a quarter on Wednesday nights at 6p. The website portal is almost done and soon you should be able to view meeting packets prior to meetings. The General Assistance rate increase, discussed last month, will most likely not happen. It was determined that an increase in support would reduce other benefits. Emergency assistance may be increased to one month's average rent, it is currently set at \$245.00. The data is continuing to be analyzed for the best outcome for the General Assistance recipients. The April Special meeting needs to be cancelled, there was a presumption of the guidelines being stricter than they are, so there is no need for the meeting. During the April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting we will adjourn for a public hearing on the proposed budgets and then reconvene our regular meeting.

**Clerk Kunde:** Nothing

**Highway Commissioner Smith:** New loader purchase has been started and will be purchasing a new pull along mower. The Gurler Road project came in 50% less than budget, so the project is going back out for bid once again. Another lawsuit has been filed against the Permanent Road & Bridge fund, hence the reason for the need to go back out for bid. The budget for the fund will need to be revisited and amended 2-3 times a year based on expenditures. Per Supervisor Johnson, the Township will have to go into Executive Session, in the future, to discuss what options are available regarding future budgetary lawsuits. Per Commissioner Smith, we are just trying to spend and save wisely and not be penalized for the effort.





**Assessor Dyer:** Ordered the Surface Program for field work. In April the field representative will be attending training, as will the Chief Deputy.

**Trustee King:** In full support of Commissioner Smith spending and saving wisely.

**Trustee Flavin:** In full support of Commissioner Smith spending and saving wisely.

**Trustee McNett:** In full support of Commissioner Smith spending and saving wisely.

**Trustee Teboda:** Was invited to the United Way meeting by Dawn Littlefield, but could not attend. Ms. Littlefield informed her that an award was given to herself and the Township Board for their support of the 211 System program. In full support of Commissioner Smith spending and saving wisely.

#### **Bill Paying:**

A motion to approve the February audit report and March bills to pay was made by Trustee Teboda and seconded by Trustee King. A roll call vote was taken:

Trustee Teboda: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; Trustee Flavin: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye and Supervisor Johnson: Aye. Motion passed.

A motion to approve and file the February Treasurer's budgetary report was made by Trustee Flavin and seconded by Trustee McNett. A roll call vote was taken:

Trustee Teboda: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; Trustee Flavin: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye and Supervisor Johnson: Aye. Motion passed.

**Unfinished Business:** None

#### **New Business:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Johnson to name John M. Redlingshafer, from the Mescher Law Offices, as the Attorney of record for the DeKalb Township Road and Bridge District; Resolution #2018-002 and Trustee Flavin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

Trustee Teboda: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; Trustee Flavin: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye and Supervisor Johnson: Aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee McNett to appoint Tifarah Jackson and Dr. George Joseph Mitchell to the Community on Youth Board and was seconded by Trustee King. Motion passed.

Supervisor Johnson introduced Resolution #2018-003 an Inter-Governmental Agreement between DeKalb Township and the Road & Bridge District to assume the maintenance of Oakwood and Evergreen cemeteries. For the second time, in recent years, we have lost the service of the company





that was doing the maintenance. Cost analysis has been done and it was discovered that a savings for the Township would occur if the Road & Bridge District maintained the property. Commissioner Smith would like to hire a new full-time employee and 1 part-time (summer help) employee to complete the maintenance on the cemeteries and the Township building. A motion was made by Trustee King to approve Resolution #2018-003 with the scrivener's change from "k" to "K" in DeKalb and seconded by Trustee Teboda. A roll call vote was taken:

Supervisor Johnson: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye; Trustee Flavin: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; and Trustee Teboda: Aye. Motion passed.

**Approval of the regular Town minutes:** a motion was made by Supervisor Johnson to approve the minutes from the February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting, with a correction, to reflect that a voice vote was taken and passed moving the regular Town meeting to March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 9a and setting a special meeting in April. The motion was seconded by Trustee King. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee Flavin to approve and set the agenda for the Annual Town meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and was seconded by Trustee McNett. A roll call vote was taken:

Supervisor Johnson: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye; Trustee Flavin: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; and Trustee Teboda: Aye. Motion passed.

#### **Old Business:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Johnson to cancel the scheduled April Special meeting and was seconded by Trustee King. Motion passed.

#### **Other Business:**

Next Regular Meeting will be April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6pm in the Township Offices located at 2323 S. Fourth Street in DeKalb. A Public Hearing on budgets will be April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6pm. The Annual Town Meeting will be on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7pm

The Committee on Youth meeting is scheduled for March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00pm.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Teboda and seconded by Supervisor Flavin. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:25am.

Respectfully submitted

Gerallyne Kunde, DeKalb Township Clerk

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Jennifer Jeep Johnson, Supervisor

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