



MINUTES, TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEKALB, ILLINOIS
May 9th, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Johnson at 6:01pm 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, King and McNett with Trustee Teboda arriving at 6:04pm.

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: A DeKalb Township proclamation has been issued declaring May 2018 Motorcycle Awareness Month; this has been a yearly tradition that is being continued. NIU Cares Day was a success, the students from Phi Kapa Psi were amazing and completed the clean-up quickly. A write-up of the morning's clean-up efforts will be posted on our website. The Road District has already assumed the maintenance of the Elmwood and Oakwood cemeteries, Ms. Johnson is very pleased with the direction the work is going. Supervisor Johnson has contacted the DeKalb Park District to find out if they would be willing to work with the township to increase the walkway from the Ellwood House to the Kishwaukee River and to help with any disrepair. Dave Stran of Stran's Garden Center and Landscaping has agreed to do a bid for the restoration of the Bush Memorial Gardens. Since we were without a landscaping firm, the garden became overgrown and in need of foliage replacement and grooming. He will jazz it up and then the maintenance will return to the Road District. We are cleaning up the area to honor the agreement in place with the Bush family. Supervisor Johnson commended Trustee King for getting DeKalb Township involved in the Annie Glidden North project; Road Commissioner Smith and Supervisor Johnson will be sitting on the committee. Supervisor Johnson has begun the process of purchasing Bamboo HR, a cloud-based program, to handle benefits and financial information for the township employees. She has also entered into an agreement for the Aggregate at \$.614 per kilowatt hour with an opt out option and a three-year contract.

Clerk Kunde: Nothing





Highway Commissioner Smith: The cemetery maintenance is going well; Jake Smith was hired to complete the work and he is doing a great job. The Road District crew worked with the students for NIU Cares Day with the agreement that that would be given a day off after the Fourth of July. Both the employees and the students did a great job. Crack filling and sealing is done and a little pricier than was originally thought. Ditch mowing has begun. Both he and Supervisor Johnson made a “house call”; a lady called the office who needed help accessing her attic and the two went to her house to ensure that she did not fall down the stairs. They waited at the bottom of the stairs while she retrieved her belongings. The lady Googled “Senior Services” and found the Township’s information.

Assessor Dyer: Ordered an extra license for the edit software today and tax bills are out.

Trustee King: Spoke with Aaron at the city to continue working at bridging the gap between the township and the city. Trustee King is now sitting on a panel at the DeKalb County Courthouse working on a program to keep felons out of jail; she is working with Denis Jagodzinski a previous DeKalb Township Trustee. Ms. King is doing a speech at graduation tomorrow.

Trustee Flavin: The Postal Service’s food drive is now going on, they are hoping to do better than last year, which was one of their best years. Observed the same thing his wife did in Michigan regarding the popularity of Townships. He was impressed that they have their own water tower and fire departments.

Trustee McNett: The police department will soon be starting a program, which has been in the works for two years, for the treatment of heroin addiction. The emphasis is on treatment instead of incarceration.

Trustee Teboda: Apologized for arriving late to the meeting. Children’s Learning Center is working on their 2019 budget. The Social Service Grant applications are once again on our website and are due no later than May 25th.

Bill Paying:

A motion to approve the April audit report and May bills to pay was made by Trustee Flavin and seconded by Trustee Teboda. 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 April Treasurer's budgetary report was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Trustee Flavin. 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: Discussion on the Intergovernmental agreement between DeKalb Township and the Road & Bridge District for the maintenance of Elmwood and Oakwood cemeteries took place. A motion was made by Trustee Teboda to approve the IGA and was seconded by Trustee Flavin. Motion Passed.

New Business:

Approval of the regular Town minutes: a motion was made by Supervisor Johnson to approve the minutes from the April 10th, 2018 meeting and was seconded by Trustee King. Motion passed.

Other Business:

Next Regular Meeting will be June 13th, 2018 at 6pm in the Township Offices located at 2323 S. Fourth Street in DeKalb.


The Committee on Youth meeting is scheduled for May 24th at 4:00pm.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Teboda and seconded by Trustee Flavin. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

Respectfully submitted

Geralynne Kunde, DeKalb Township Clerk


Geralynne M. Kunde, Clerk


Jennifer Jeep Johnson, Supervisor