

MINUTES-----BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees met at the Collinsville Township Office 305 E. Main St., Collinsville, IL. February 13, 2018, 2018 at 7:00 PM Regular Board meetings are held 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 7:00pm.

PRESENT:

Terry "Bones" Allan	Supervisor
Gailyn Dowling	Clerk
Michael Foley	Trustee
Derrick Cox	Trustee
Daniel Hopkins	Trustee
Larry Trucano	Highway Commissioner

Also attending were: Kathleen Hoelscher, Mead Dowling, Al Artimisi, Randy Mitchell, Cinda McGrew, Brandon Royer

The regular meeting was called to order on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. by Township Supervisor Allan with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call found all present

A motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, January 9th, 2018 as presented was made by Trustee Foley and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. Roll Call found all ayes(4). Motion carried.

The General Assistance bills for \$7,614.18 were read. A motion to approve the bills as read was made by Trustee Foley and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. Roll Call found all ayes (4). Motion carried.

The Road and Bridge bills for \$111,811.85 were read. A motion to approve the bills as read was made by Trustee Foley and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. Roll call found all ayes (4). Motion carried.

The equipment fund bills for \$30,245.00 were read. A motion to approve the bills was made by Trustee Hopkins and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. Roll call found all ayes (4) on the motion. Motion carried.

The Town fund Bills for \$91,174.96 were read. A motion to approve the bills was made by Trustee Foley and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. Roll call found all ayes (4) on the motion. Motion carried.

The Pauper Fund had a \$200.00 donation and bills of \$887.00.

Under Correspondence, we received a resignation from Attorney Marc Parker effective January 28, 2018. He stated his schedule would require him to miss most Township meetings in the coming months. We also received a resignation from Trustee Pat Presson due to his moving out of state. He stated it had been an honor to serve the voters and have learned so much so fast. A motion was made by Trustee Hopkins to accept Trustee Presson's resignation and seconded by Trustee Cox. Roll Call found all ayes (4) on motion. Motion carried. As far as a replacement, a motion was made by Trustee Hopkins and seconded by Trustee Foley to appoint a replacement at the February 27th meeting. It will be posted on our Website advising anyone who is interested to submit a letter/application in the next two weeks. Trustee Cox stated he feels it should be someone from Maryville since Trustee Presson was from Maryville.

Under Old Business Randy Mitchell of AAIC gave an updated report on proposed repairs to the Collinsville Senior Center and the Township Office Building. A large discussion followed by the entire Board. Randy advised he will get new figures and get back to us.

Bill packets were discussed and it was understood by all that the Trustees can pick their packets up at the Township office after 2 P.M. on the Monday prior to the meetings.

Under new business the Collinsville Township would like to abate the following for the 2017 taxes payable in 2018

<u>Levy fund</u>	<u>Levy amount</u>
AUDIT	\$1,000.00
INSURANCE	\$62,722.00
GENERAL ASSISTANCE	<u>\$36,327.00</u>
TOTAL ABATEMENT	\$100,049.00

After a lengthy discussion on the abatement, Trustee Hopkins made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Cox. Roll call found three (3) ayes with Trustee Foley voting nay. Motion carried.

A discussion once again came up concerning refunding of tax monies. Trustee Cox presented information stating the county would do the figures for us. Clerk Dowling read statement from last meeting when Attorney Parker advised us the county would not get involved. Discussion tabled for the time being.

Trustee Cox again suggested the Township purchase Willoughby Farms. He would very much like to see this. After much discussion no action was taken.

Next Trustee Cox stated he wants to donate \$5,000.00 to the Collinsville Food Pantry. Trustee Hopkins and Trustee Foley both objected. Supervisor Allan and the Trustee's finally came to an agreement that the Township would donate \$2,500.00 each to the Collinsville Food Pantry and the Maryville Food Pantry. A motion was made that letters be sent to each pantry this week requesting they attend the next Township meeting on February 27, 2018, at which time both panty's would be presented a \$2,500.00 check by Trustee Hopkins and seconded by Trustee Cox. Roll Call found all ayes (4). Motion carried.

Highway Commissioner, Larry Trucano reported they've been out 4 or 5 times salting and spraying. The salt supply is low so he is going to have to order more salt.

In another discussion about our finances Trustee Derrick Cox requested Office Manager Jackson give the Board account breakouts. He wants to know how much money has been spent this year and what is left out of our budget, with this report he also wants the exact balance in each account.

Collinsville Senior Center Director, Al Artimisi spoke and advised that due to health, he has to submit his resignation. He stated how much he had enjoyed his ten years here and working with the people. He stated he will stay on until we're able to find a replacement. We wish him our best...

Township resident Mead Dowling addressed the Board stating his opinions on all of tonight's discussions.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Trustee Foley and seconded by Trustee Hopkins to adjourn

Supervisor

Clerk