

MINUTES-----BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees met at the office of the Town Clerk at 305 E. Main Street, Collinsville, IL November 14, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

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

Guests: Linda Bohnenstiehl, Paul Loyet, Kathy Hoelscher, Jodie Munoz, Dan Munoz, Donna Dudici, Tom Dudici, David Pauline, Ken Kowrach, Babette Cox, Don Cox, Phil Astrauskas, Chris Bethel, Brad Sewell, Gail Pauline, Kurt Jentsch, Chris Guy, Lucy Thompson, Jim Comley, Pat Comley, Susan Koste, Terry Koste, Elizabeth Neal, Dale E. Lane, Kris McClusky, Bill Dorris, Bill Dorman, Jamie Johnson, Dalton Gray, Scott Rayho, Jared Faurot, Timothy Souls, Cathy Wilson, Chris Carril, Dylan Cox, Mark Achenbach, Clint Jones

The regular meeting was called to order on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. by Township Supervisor Allan with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call found all present .

Supervisor Allan allowed Jim Ferris, CPA to speak first. Mr Ferris explained changes that were being made in this year's Levy and held an open discussion with anyone who had any questions concerning the proposed levy. He advised we are asking for zero increase the third year in a row and he advised the G. A. Levy is \$171,327.00 .

A motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held Tuesday October 24, 2017 as amended was made by Trustee Foley and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. Roll call found all ayes (5). Motion carried. The amendment added the remark by Attorney Parker that it was not "illegal" for Trustee Cox to have his Facebook page, Collinsville Township Talks but that he would check further on the matter.

Prior to voting on any of the bills, Trustee Cox made statement asking the Board and the audience if they ever pay bills without knowing what it's for. He said he certainly doesn't and therefore he would voting no because he has not seen the bills ahead of time. It was agreed that Township Clerk Gailyn Dowling will fax the bills to each Trustee before the meeting, explaining that sometimes we don't have the bills until the day before or day of the meeting.

The General Assistance bills for \$6,036.92 were read. A motion to approve the bills as read was made by Trustee Foley and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. Roll Call found 3 ayes and 2 nays with Trustee Cox and Trustee Presson voting nay. Motion carried.

The Road & Bridge bills for \$80,563.77 were read. A motion to approve the bill as read was made by Trustee Foley and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. Roll call found 3 ayes and 2 nays with Trustee Cox and Trustee Presson voting nay. Motion carried.

The Town Fund bills for \$87,741.88 were read. A motion to approve the bills was made by Trustee Hopkins and seconded by Trustee Foley. Roll call found 4 ayes and 1 nay on motion. Trustee Presson voted nay. Motion carried.

The Collinsville Township Pauper bills for \$3,017.80.(City \$100.00 and Road and Bridge \$2,917.80). A donation of \$25.00 was received. A motion was made by Trustee Foley and seconded by Trustee Hopkins. Roll call found all ayes(5). Motion carried.

Under correspondence, Supervisor Allan advised Holiday donation sheets are on the sign in table.

Old business, Trustee Hopkins stated the new lights outside the Senior Center are complete and that the roof replacement starts December 4, 2017. The next subject to be brought up is the appointing of a replacement when a Trustee resigns. Trustee Hopkins stated the he told Trustee Cox when the subject first came up that he thought we (the Board) should take applications. A very lengthy discussion followed. Here are some of the highlights:

- (1) Chris Guy spoke about when he was on the Board. He also thinks we should take applications. Mr Guy requested tht the Board consider Chris Bethel as replacement in the event someone would resign.
- (2) Chris Bethel spoke and explained how he loves Township work and the fact it is about serving people but that he thinks it can be done better. He stated he would appreciate the Board's consideration.
- (3) Trustee Cox made a motion we accept applications for min of 2 weeks after a resignation is received. The motion was seconded by Trestee Presson. Roll call found all ayes (5). Motion carried. Per Supervisor Allan, this is an unbinding motion.

Assessor Poletti advised he had nothing to report on. Road Commissioner Trucano reported are busy vacuuming leaves, limb pick up and mulching every other week. They also are getting ready to purchase property on Lebanon Rd and getting ready to replace that railroad bridge. Citizen Mark Achenbach ask Commissioner Trucano how much road the Township is responsible for and was advised 49 miles plus 10 miles the State pays us to mow. Phil Astraskus had questions concerning the amount the Township pays the City for picking up leasves and he also questioned if funds to G.A. could be transferred back. He was advised no to that due to the fact the State controls the amounts. Derrick claims we have to stay within limits of what we can "hold".

Linda Bohnenstielh advised she thought the meeting was handled very well and suggested everyone should attend the Annual meeting and learn more about what the Township really does. She is proud of our Township and feels we have a great one.

Elizabeth Neal, fiancée of Chris Bethel, expressed her love for the community and Township and stated that's why they decided to work and live here(Maryville)

Jodi Munpz, questioned the law on replacement of a Trustee in case of a resignation. Information was given.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion by Trustee Foley and seconded by Trustee Presson to adjourn. Roll call found all ayes(5). Motion carried

Supervisor

Clerk