

**`CUBA TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
28000 W. Cuba Road  
Barrington, IL 60010  
Thursday, May 10, 2012; 7:00 pm**

Supervisor Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Veteran John Betzold led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: David Nelson, Supervisor; Doug Alexander, Trustee; Don Griffith, Trustee; Jack Mumaw, Trustee; Art Rice, Trustee.

Also present: Priscilla Rose, Clerk, Tom Gooch, Highway Commissioner; Keri-Lyn Krafthefer, Township attorney, Barbara Murphy, John Betzold, Kate Formichella and Cheryl Tanaka, Township Community Liaisons.

**Public Comment**

Barbara Murphy addressed the board regarding the proposed purchase of Barclay's Woods. She detailed her objections and left a written copy of such with the board. Highlights of her thoughts included the concern for the runoff that occurs during a heavy rain, have there been other offers on the property, what will happen to the property if it is not purchased by Cuba Township and what are the current property taxes on the property. She concluded by suggesting that there are others uses for the money that would be spent on this purchase. Nelson replied that he would review Murphy's thoughts and reply to her after the board meeting. Rice asked that a copy of Nelson's reply be distributed to all board members.

**Approval of minutes**

April 12, 2012, 6:30 public hearing

A motion was made by Trustee Griffith which was seconded by Trustee Mumaw to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2012 6:30 pm public hearing. The minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote as amended.

April 12, 2012, 6:45 public hearing

A motion was made by Trustee Alexander and seconded by Trustee Mumaw to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2012, 6:45 public hearing. The minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote as amended.

April 12, 2012 board meeting

A motion was made by Trustee Rice and seconded by Trustee Griffith to approve the minutes of April 12, 2012. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Nelson reminded the board, that on Trustee Griffith's request, comments on a topic or comment will be handled in an orderly fashion, giving all a chance for reply.

**Proclamation 12-P-01**

Supporting the Lake Barrington Shores Memorial Day Observance

John Betzold addressed the board regarding the sixth annual Memorial Day Observance at Lake Barrington Shores. He told the board that a Memorial Garden has been established at Lake Barrington Shore about 10 years ago and that approximately 450 people have been in attendance at the Memorial Day observance in the past. He further suggested that the Veteran's organization at Lake Barrington Shores could be of assistance to Cuba Township.

A motion was made by Trustee Rice and seconded by Trustee Mumaw to adopt Proclamation 12-P-01. Roll call: Alexander- yes; Griffith- yes; Mumaw- yes; Rice- yes; Nelson- yes. Motion carried.

### **Highway Commissioner's report**

Gooch told the board that in the past month, successful recycling events were held at Lake Barrington Shores, the Village of Tower Lakes, the Village of North Barrington and at the Road District garage. Over 13,000 pounds of electronics were recycled and 3000 cans of paint and 150 tires were collected. Recycling events will take place again in the fall. Drainage projects are underway and paving will begin in the next several weeks. The Village of Barrington Hills will be expanding their Intergovernmental Agreement with the Road District in the next year to include tree work, signs and patching. The Village of Port Barrington has requested a time and material contract. Gooch added that he would like to install a flag pole on the grounds of the Road District to be dedicated to the memory of Robert Dunk, World War II veteran and former Cuba Township trustee, and Leroy Schneider, World War II veteran and Cuba Township resident. He suggested that Veteran's Day would be an appropriate time for this dedication.

Alexander told the board that he was impressed with the organization of the recycling events. John Betzold told the board that the parts from recycled cell phones that are collected at recycling events have cash value that is turned into phone cards for soldiers through the Cell Phones for Soldiers organization. Mumaw suggested that in an effort to reduce overtime, that Road District employees be given a week day off when there is an opportunity to work on a weekend. Rice noted that the Road District did a good job restoring the shoulder on Cuba Road

### **Discussion regarding Road District bus**

Gooch addressed the board regarding a recently purchased bus. The intended purpose of the bus was to transport Road District crew to job sites, but Gooch feels the bus is a good opportunity to begin a bus program as it is in excellent shape and includes a wheel chair lift.

Discussion took place regarding the bus and Cuba Township running a bus program. It was suggested that the bus could be used to transport veterans to the VA hospitals. Gooch said that PACE does a good job, but there is room for additional transportation opportunities for seniors. He added that he has researched and found that 13 Lake County townships run bus programs. Cheryl Tanaka and Kate Formichella, Cuba Township Community Liaisons, added comments to the discussion saying that they feel there are several seniors that use the food pantry that could benefit from enhanced transportation opportunities. They added, there are probably other seniors and disabled that could benefit that they are not aware of. They expressed concern on paying for the program and details such as a dispatcher and insurance. Mumaw suggested a feasibility study on the issue.

Trustee Griffith said his main concern was cost. He added that the PACE committee met recently and is trying to identify other sources of funding for the program. Barrington Township is opposed to an additional bus and will not contribute any funds. Joyce Palmquist from BACOA is in favor of additional transportation, but questions the cost.

Trustee Rice echoed Griffith's comments, adding that he is not opposed to the idea, but needs more information. It was suggested that the PACE committee complete their current work and research and then see how a Cuba Township bus could be used.

Mumaw suggested that the Senior Bus be added as an ongoing agenda item. Alexander questioned the original intent of the bus and asked if Gooch would still need a bus. Gooch said he would not need another bus, as he felt the bus could serve both purposes. Alexander suggested trading in the bus, based on the value and purchase one more suitable for the Road District use. Gooch added he has been in touch with TOIRMA and there is no additional insurance cost for this insurance year for nonscheduled passenger use.

Community Liaisons Cheryl Tanaka and Kate Formichella addressed the board regarding the Manna Group. They explained that the Manna Group is an opportunity to purchase gift cards to grocery stores and gas stations at a discount for use in the food pantry. As the Manna Group will sell only to 501 (c) 3 organizations, Cuba Cares has been purchasing the cards. They inquired if the Cuba Township food pantry line in the budget could make a donation to Cuba Cares to finance these purchases. Krafthefer told the board that this could be done if identified as an agenda item at a future board meeting and presented as a motion and voted on and passed.

Tanaka and Formichella updated the board on the work that they have been doing. They said that about 50% of their time is spent on the food pantry with the remainder of their time spent on passport applications, LIHEAP applications, RTA applications, handicapped placard applications, voter registration, responding to phone calls and supervising community service volunteers. They added that several of their volunteers are former food pantry recipients.

### **Approval of bills**

A motion was made by Trustee Griffith which was seconded by Trustee Mumaw to approve the bills in the amount of \$394,664.70, check nos. 28821 to 29008.

There was discussion on several of the bills including the Morton Salt bill and a reimbursement for a mailbox damaged by a plow. Discussion continued regarding which fiscal year bills belongs to, amending the budget and keeping track of bills close to the fiscal year end. Mumaw had several questions for Krafthefer.

Roll call: Alexander- yes; Griffith- yes; Mumaw- yes; Rice- yes; Nelson- yes. Motion carried.

### **Supervisor's report**

Nelson addressed the board regarding a request from TOIPAC for funding. It was noted that any individual board member could contribute at their own expense, but the Township will not be contributing.

Nelson gave the board an update on a recent IMRF seminar he attended with Powell. He noted that there have been several recent bad investment years which have contributed to an increase in the Township's rate. Nelson expressed disagreement with their investment return strategy.

Nelson concluded by noting that the food pantry received a \$750 donation from Heinen's- a food retailer that will be opening a store in Cuba Township in August.

### **Assessor's report**

In the Assessor's absence, there was no report

### **Clerk's report**

Rose noted to the board that there has been a change in the Annual Town Meeting date for 2013. Instead of April 9, 2013, which is Election Day, the Annual Town Meeting will be held on April 16, 2012. Rose continued that the well installation is complete at White Memorial Cemetery. She noted that the bill is in excess of what the board agreed to pay by \$1452.00. Consensus of the board was to pay the additional amount and not ask the private donors for additional funds. Rose told the board that the General Town tax extension for IMRF and the General Fund was in excess of the levy amount. Rose concluded by saying that the Barrington Farmer's Market will be donating gift certificates for the market to the Cuba Township food pantry this summer. She asked for the board's approval to contribute to the purchase of a receptacle for the market in which to collect contributions for the gift certificates. Consensus approved such donation.

### **Township attorney's report**

Karfthefer reported that it was a light month for her regarding work for Cuba Township.

### **BACOG report**

Nelson reported that the Village of Deer Park has decided to remain in BACOG. Agnoletti's review is currently taking place. The implementation of an Emergency Preparedness Plan for the Barrington area is once again being reviewed. The Village of Tower Lakes will most likely serve as the central location. Nelson concluded by saying that he has received several phone calls about electricity aggregation. Alexander gave the board more details on the process of electricity aggregation.

### **Suggested monthly board meeting time change**

Mumaw suggested to the board that the meeting time for monthly board meetings be changed from 7 pm to 5pm. Various discussion took place regarding the merits and disadvantages of changing the meeting time.

A motion was made by Trustee Mumaw which was seconded by Trustee Griffith to change the monthly board meeting time from 7pm to 6 pm beginning with the June 2012 board meeting.

Roll call: Alexander- yes; Griffith- yes; Mumaw- yes; Rice- no; Nelson- no. Motion carried.

### **Planning for fiscal year 2012-2013 audit**

Mumaw suggested that the Township review different auditors for the next year's audit. It was decided to form a committee of Supervisor Nelson and Trustee Alexander to select a new firm for the Township's yearly audit.

### **Fall Festival planning**

It was determined that the date of this year's Fall Festival is October 20, 2012. Griffith, Gooch and Rose will serve on the committee.

### **Health insurance review**

No report

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

### **Old Business**

Mumaw told the board that he has been in contact with Rick Doering from Doering Landscaping regarding the Emerald Ash Borer problem. He was told that they do not deal with the issue. He was then in touch with Davey Tree. Gooch reminded the board that the Road District owns the right-of-way, not the Township relating to any tree issues. Rice asked for this topic to be reviewed at a later date once he has received more information on the topic. It was decided to keep the Emerald Ash Borer subject as an ongoing agenda item.

Alexander asked whether the recommendations made in the most recent audit had been implemented. Nelson will review the status of the recommendations.

**Executive Session**

A motion was made by Trustee Mumaw which was seconded by Trustee Griffith to adjourn to executive session to review executive session minutes, review pending litigation and to discuss real estate. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting recessed to Executive Session at 9:14 pm

Regular session resumed at 9:41 pm

Roll call: Alexander, Griffith, Mumaw, Rice, Nelson

Also present: Rose, Gooch, Krafthefer

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Trustee Griffith and seconded by Trustee Alexander to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted-

Priscilla H. Rose  
Clerk

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