

**CUBA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
28000 W. Cuba Road
Barrington, IL 60010
Thursday, August 9, 2012; 6:00 pm**

Supervisor Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Trustee Griffith 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; Rebecca Tonigan, Assessor; Keri-Lyn Krafthefer, Township attorney; Kevin Ritter and Dean Nicol- Integrys Energy.

Nelson asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Township resident Randy Gross who passed away recently.

Public comment

There was no public comment

Discussion and potential action on approval of minutes of July 12, 2012

A motion was made by Trustee Griffith and seconded by Trustee Alexander to approve the minutes of July 12, 2012 as corrected. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Nelson diverged from the agenda to allow Kevin Ritter and Dean Nicol to make their presentation regarding electricity aggregation. They addressed the board regarding the topic and their company, Integrys Energy. A recent Illinois law, SB 3170, now permits townships to propose to voters the opportunity for electric aggregation, coordinated by the Township, through the election process. The deadline to have such a referendum on the November 6, 2012 ballot is August 20, 2012. Various discussions took place on the topic. Consensus of the board was to defer any referendum questions until the April 9, 2013 election. In the meantime, more information will be gathered on the subject. Trustee Alexander will provide information on the subject to be included in the upcoming newsletter

Discussion and potential action on payment of bills

A motion was made by Trustee Griffith and seconded by Trustee Alexander to approve the bills in the amount of \$406,600.16, check nos. 29414 through 29627.

Discussion took place regarding several bills, with Alexander questioning a bill from GeWalt Hamilton's rates on a recent project. Gooch replied that he felt their rates were fair. There were further questions regarding the recent purchase of a Ford pick-up truck, overtime payment, holiday pay and other items. Mumaw added that he felt there was good documentation and supporting paperwork on the bills as presented this month.

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

Reports

Highway Commissioner's report

Gooch reported that the summer staff will be leaving soon and that work will begin shortly for the villages. Paving will be completed soon with construction completion expected by October 1, 2012

Supervisor's report

Nelson noted that the electric aggregation issue has already been reviewed. He continued that Ken Petersen has been hired to review, on a quarterly basis, the work of Township bookkeeper Jenny Powell. Recommendations were made by Petersen which will be reviewed at the next board meeting, including having multiple signors on checks over a specified dollar amount.

Assessor's report

Tonigan reported that the blue assessment notices have been mailed and were published in today's *Barrington Courier Review*. She continued that the majority of assessments were decreased, but the county applied a positive factor of 5.175% to the assessments. She provided follow-up information on a situation with a Lake Barrington Shores resident from several months ago.

Clerk's report

Rose reported that plans are underway for the Fall Festival on October 20, 2012. There was discussion regarding donations to support the event and whether or not the Road District should provide staff to assist during the day. Rose concluded by adding that the deadline for the newsletter is August 31, 2012.

Township Attorney's report

Krafthefer spoke regarding the last filing date for the municipal election on April 9, 2012, which is December 24, 2012. She has contacted her congressman and feels that the date can be adjusted.

BACOG report

Nelson reported that there was no BACOG meeting last month and that BACOG has recently moved their offices into the Village of Barrington Hills facility. Talk continues about the DiMucci property and Nelson noted to the board that BACOG's executive director, Janet Agnoletti, would be happy to attend a Township board meeting and update the board about BACOG activity.

Old Business: Discussion and potential action related to the following topics:

Township senior/disabled bus program

Griffith had no report

Health and risk management insurance review

Griffith inquired as to why the budget line for insurance was over budget. The question will be investigated and reported on at the next board meeting. There were no updates on health insurance.

Emerald Ash Borer disease programs

Mumaw reported that he had been in touch with Davey Tree regarding a reduction in their quote to treat Township property for the Emerald Ash Borer. There was no reduction in the price from Davey. Mumaw has been in touch with The Care of Trees for a quote. Mumaw suggested to the board that the lowest estimate be acted on. Gooch suggested that Trees of Green also be contacted for a quote.

A motion was made by Trustee Mumaw which was seconded by Trustee Griffith to accept the lowest of three quotes, not to exceed \$1000, and begin treatment for the Emerald Ash Borer and preventive maintenance on the large oak tree in the parking lot of the Township.

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

Agreement with Cuba Cares

Nelson reminded the board of the details of this agreement which would give \$10,000 to the Cuba Cares for the purpose of purchasing gift cards for the Cuba Township food pantry.

A motion was made by Trustee Mumaw which was seconded by Trustee Alexander to donate \$10,000 to Cuba Cares for the purpose of purchasing gift cards to Jewel and gas stations for the Cuba Township food pantry.

Discussion took place regarding how the gift cards should be purchased. It was suggested that the entire \$10,000 not be spent at one time, to avoid having that volume in gift cards in the office at one time. It was suggested that the purchases be made in \$3000 increments. A receipt of the purchase of gift cards is requested.

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

Gooch asked to revisit the subject of approval of bills

A motion was made by Trustee Mumaw which was seconded by Trustee Alexander to the revisit the payment of the bills.

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

A motion was made by Trustee Griffith which was seconded by Trustee Mumaw to withhold payment on check #29597 to GeWalt Hamilton and to approve payment of the remainder of the bills.

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

Intergovernmental agreement between the Cuba Township Road District and Cuba Township to pay off Road District loan

Mumaw felt that it was a good idea to pay off the Road District loan with General Town funds and structure an agreement with the Road District for repayment to General Town at no interest. It was decided to hold a public hearing at 5:30 on September 13, 2012 to amend the budget to allow for repayment of the loan. It will be determined what the payoff amount will be for September 14, 2012.

Salary ordinance related to Township officials

Mumaw stated his reservations at setting salaries at this time. He added that he felt there were certain peculiarities in Cuba Township with regards to salaries. He noted that the salaries should be set for the office and not an individual. There was clarification that the salary for the next for term of office, 2013-2017, for Township elected officials needs to be set by ordinance by November 21, 2012.

Potential mosquito abatement program enhancement

Rose suggested that the board consider an adult mosquito spraying, as recommended by Clarke Mosquito, due to the possibility of the West Nile virus.

A motion was made by Trustee Griffith which was seconded by Trustee Rice to authorize Clarke Mosquito to spray for adult mosquitoes no more than 3 times at a cost of \$3025 per application during the month of September 2012.

Discussion determined that Trustee Alexander and Supervisor Nelson would discuss the situation with George Balis from Clarke Mosquito. Trustee Rice asked for notification of the timing and method of any spraying.

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

Follow-up on property acquisition issues from special township meeting of electors

A motion was made by Trustee Griffith which was seconded by Trustee Mumaw to recess to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing potential real estate acquisitions.

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

Tonigan excused herself from the meeting at 8:29 pm.

The meeting recessed to Executive Session at 8:29 pm.

Regular session resumed at 9:05 pm

Roll call: Alexander, Griffith, Mumaw, Rice and Nelson.
Also present: Rose, Krafthefer.

New business

There was no new business

Discussion and potential action on Executive Session Items

There was no action

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Alexander which was seconded by Trustee Rice to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm

Respectfully submitted-

Priscilla H. Rose
Clerk
