**CUBA TOWNSHIP**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**28000 W. Cuba Road**

Barrington, IL 60010

January 14th, 2021

**I. Call to order:**

Supervisor Kainz called the virtual meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**II. Roll call**

Grant Born, Trustee - virtual; Jill Talbot, Trustee - virtual; Christopher Parisi, Trustee – absent/excused; Christopher Karam, Trustee - virtual; Michael Kainz, Supervisor – in person.

Also present: Nicole Knapik, Clerk - virtual; TJ Podgorski, Highway Commissioner – virtual; Rebecca Tonigan, Assessor – virtual.

**III. Public Comment:**

There was no public comment

**IV. Discussion and potential action on approval of minutes:**

1. **December 10th, 2020 – Regular Board Meeting**

Trustee Born made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Talbot to approve the minutes of the December 10th meeting.

Roll call: Born – yes; Talbot – yes; Parisi – absent; Karam – yes; Kainz – yes. Motion carried.

**V. Discussion and potential action on the following topics:**

 **A. Payment of bills**

Trustee Talbot made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Karam to approve the bills of 12/03/20 – 1/08/21 in the amount of $344,058,09 check nos. 50022 - 50176.

Roll call: Born – yes; Talbot – yes; Parisi – absent; Karam – yes; Kainz – yes. Motion carried.

1. **2021 PACE contract**

Knapik gave a summary of the PACE bus program and the ridership estimate for 2021. For budget purposes, the township’s cost estimate is $7,400.

1. **Budget discussion for Fiscal Year 2021/2022**

Knapik gave a summary of the total amount of grant funds requested for this fiscal year and there was brief discussion on what each organization does and how they contribute to Cuba residents. The final approval of funding will be set during the budget hearing.

**VI. Items for Consideration and Adoption**

There were no items for consideration and adoption.

**VII. Reports**

1. **Assessor’s report**

Tonigan reported that there were approximately 900 appeals less than during the Quad year. The Deputy Assessors are now working on site visits and PTAB hearings. Karam asked how many site visits are conducted each year. Tonigan estimated that roughly 400-500 visits are conducted annually and mainly focus on buildings with permits.

1. **Clerk’s report**

Knapik reported that there were no additional filers for the Cuba Township elected offices and that the current slate is running unopposed for the April election.

1. **Highway Commissioner’s report**

Podgorski reported that due to the mild weather conditions, his crew has been focusing on additional machine updates, tree maintenance in Barrington Hills and in-house cleaning.

1. **Supervisor’s / BACOG report**

Kainz reported that the elevator install is scheduled to begin next week.

**E. Township Attorney’s report**

There was no attorney report.

**VIII. Old Business: Discussion and potential action of the follow topics**

1. Employee Insurance plan

Born reported that after checking in with the Insurance contact, he was told that changes mid-year are possible. Knapik stated that Rebecca at the Highway Dept had also reached out and asked if an increase to premium expenses would be considered a “qualifying event” to change coverage to a spouse and she was told that it would not qualify. Podgorski stated that he has a difficult time finding qualified help and that a change in benefits may make it more difficult. He also stated that majority of Highway employee’s insurance costs are already factored into the IGA revenues and that all his new hires are paying 10%. After additional discussion, it was determined that a vote on insurance changes for the 2022 plan will take place during the February meeting.

**IX. New Business**

There was no old business.

**X. Executive Session**

There was no Executive Session.

**XI. Action on Executive Session items**

There was no action.

**XII. Adjournment**

Trustee Talbot made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Born to adjourn.

Roll call: Born – yes; Talbot – yes; Parisi – absent; Karam – yes; Kainz – yes. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned 6:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole E. Knapik

Township Clerk