

CUBA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
28000 W. Cuba Road
Barrington, IL 60010
July 14, 2022

I. Call to order:

Supervisor Karam called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Karam led those present recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll call

Grant Born, Trustee (absent-excused); Tom Kusmerz, Trustee; Tiffany Andreae, Trustee; Jill Talbot, Trustee; Chris Karam, Supervisor.

Also present: Heidi Shannon, Clerk; Nicole Knapik, Tax Assessor; TJ Podgorski, Highway Commissioner; Macade Thorpe, Lauterbach & Amen; Rebecca Novak, Highway Department

IV. Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

V. Discussion and potential action on approval of minutes:

A. June 9, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Trustee Talbot made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Andreae to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2022, regular board meeting. The minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

VI. Discussion and potential action on the following topics:

A. Payment of bills

Trustee Talbot made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Andreae to approve the bills of 6/7/22-7/11/22 in the amount of \$367,622.33 check nos. 52631-52792.

Roll Call: Born-absent; Kusmerz-yes; Andreae-yes; Talbot-yes; Karam-yes. Motion Carried.

VII. Items for Consideration and Adoption

A. Annual Audit for Fiscal Year ending 2/28/2022

Macabe Thorpe of Lauterbach & Amen presented the audit findings for fiscal year 2021-2022. The Township has received an unmodified opinion again this year. This is the highest rating awarded in the government sector.

Trustee Talbot made a motion that was seconded by Trustee Kusmerz to approve the Annual Audit for fiscal year ending 2/28/22.

Roll Call: Born-absent; Kusmerz-yes; Andreae-yes; Talbot-yes; Karam-yes. Motion Carried.

B. Landscape Design

Knapik reported that the design contact has been hard to get a hold of. She will try and have an update next month.

C. Cemetery Fencing

Knapik reported that she received quotes from Peerless Fencing for the cemetery project. She presented the various options to the Cemetery Board, and they chose to move forward with the most conservative option.

D. Sirens

Karam reported that we are approved for a \$30K grant for a new siren. Unfortunately, the cost of a siren has increased to \$39K in the last year. The township needs to assess what this price difference means to our budget. We will revisit this issue at our August meeting.

VIII. Reports

A. Assessor's Report

Knapik reported that blue notices have been mailed and should be hitting mailboxes in the next day or two. She is anticipating a small number of appeals. The county came back with a final factor of 1.73%

B. Clerk's Report

Shannon reminded the elected board members to please finish and submit FOIA and OMA trainings.

C. Highway Commissioner's Report

Podgorski reported the July 4th windstorm created a large amount of damage to the area between Kelsey Road and Route 22. It has taken almost a full 2 weeks to get all the brush cleaned up. Hart Road was supposed to be completed by now. The union is on strike and as a result all paving projects are pushed out. Podgorski says he has been in contact with the county to try and find a way to move this project along and get it completed.

D. Supervisor's Report

Karam reported that the July 2nd race was a success. There were 120 runners that participated, and between \$8-9,000 was raised for Folds of Honor. Karam also addressed the sirens. Funding 9 new sirens is a challenge, so Karam is looking into the possibility of selling some land the township owns to cover the cost of the replacement project. Fall Fest is September 24th. The township is looking for sponsors to cover food trucks, music, and other entertainment.

E. Township Attorney's Report

There was no attorney present.

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

X. New Business

There was no new business.

XI. Executive Sessions

There was no executive session.

XII. Action on Executive Session

There was no action on executive session.

XIII. Adjournment

Trustee Talbot made a motion which was seconded by Trustee Andreae to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned by unanimous voice vote.

This meeting was adjourned at 6:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Heidi Shannon
Township Clerk