

MAY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, May 8, 2014

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Supervisor Prouty.
2. Board Roll Call: Supervisor Prouty, Assessor Barrington, Highway Commissioner Kruckenberg (excused), Trustee Bowman, Trustee O'Brien, Trustee Reck (excused), Trustee Palmblad, and Clerk Donnan.
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Prouty led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Public Comment: Robert Sundelin of rural Lake Zurich. I have heard the possibility of putting a sidewalk along Echo Lake Road across from the soccer field. If this were done, It would lead to flooding of my home. The water from the field tends to flow to the first drain until it can no longer handle the water then to the second drain that flows to our lake, when these can no longer handle the water it would flow to my lower level. My second comment is about the Village of Lake Zurich and its TIF district, many of the governments involved in this will only lose their money, please do not invest our money in this project.
5. Approval of Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2014: Motion by Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee O'Brien to approve Minutes of April 10, 2014 board meeting. Motion passed 4 – 0.
6. Committee Meeting Minutes – accept minutes from COW (4/28) –Senior Committee (4/28) –Youth, Family & Welfare Committee -Communication Committee (4/30) – Cemetery Board – Ela Historic. Motion by Trustee Palmblad, seconded by Trustee O'Brien to accept minutes from all committees. Motion passed 3 – 0 with one abstention (Trustee Bowman)
7. Approval of Board Audit from 04/09/14 to 05/06/14. Motion by Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee O'Brien to approve Total of all funds \$260,683.98. Motion passed 3-0 with one abstention (Trustee Palmblad). Totals were General Town \$176,355.05, General Assistance \$4,777.90, General Road \$29,132.46, Permanent Road \$46,024.67, Park Maintenance \$4,358.21, and Cemetery Maintenance \$35.69.
8. Monthly Updates from Elected Officials & Department Heads:
 1. Supervisor Prouty: The Chamber is looking for 2 replacements in their office. Two Slot machines applications have been requested in LZ, Scoreboard and American Legion. Shredding will be done at Ela Library this Saturday. VofLZ will have 2nd party with Dale Perin and Bonnie Conte in charge of volunteers. Chamber BAH will be at First Bank and Julios sponsoring. Barrington, Wauconda and Lake Zurich combining for BAH on May 20th at Lindy's Landing. Lake Zurich lacrosse will be using our field on the 13th for a game with St Viators. The Chamber has a new website at lakezurichchamber.chambermaster.com then hit forgot password and put in your own password. Our LIHEAP low income energy assistance program will end on May 31st and we never know until the last minute if and when it will start up again for summer program.
 2. Clerk Donnan: No report
 3. Trustee O'Brien: Looking at new font for township page. Getting ideas for new sign at Town Hall. Working with Dan McNamara on web site. We are starting to look for a communications coordinator and possible costs.
 4. Trustee Palmblad: Went to YEA meeting and was really impressed with the 6 new business ideas.
 5. Trustee Bowman: Lacrosse team had fundraiser selling mulch, he ran out and has another truck load this weekend. Hockey rink will be fixed this weekend. We are

meeting with the football groups to establish schedules for use of the fields on May 28th at 9:30 AM. With the Highway Department recycling the electronics, we filled 2 Semi loads and had to get another Semi. Other groups have a donation of canned goods when they bring in their electronics, I think this would work well for our program.

6. Assessor Barrington: Tax bills are out. Senior on senior freeze is getting increases because they have a fixed value, this will probably level off next year. We have new e-mail addresses; it will be the assessor @elaassessor.org. Our books will be turned in during July this year. We are working on getting the books ready and preparing for next year.
7. Social work & Youth Flacker: Introduced James McNeil talked about having a senior freeze and his tax bill still went up. Also that the youth program at the community center is really great and the staff is doing a great job with the children. I wish to thank Trustee Bowman and the help he has given to the youth program. I wish Mina Figueroa would talk about her work with the homework club. I find that children coming from other countries and speaking a different language are sometimes intimidated by others, this program helps give the students confidence and they are able to become more successful. We are all equal and they know that all can succeed. I had to write paper on the homework club and I would like you to take a look at my paper.
8. Senior Director Dillion: We had two big programs in housing 101 we offered this during the day and also in the evening with over 50 people in attendance. This had five representatives giving their data on their program. In the fall we will have the program again with more presentations. This is very helpful because most are living in single family homes, now they are looking for facilities with many needing smaller apartments for their needs. We also had an attorney come in and talk about estate planning. We also had a speaker talk about estate planning... We have a Greek Fest tomorrow night with 112 people signed up. We just had our building repaired; the leaks in the roof have been fixed... The heating and air system has been upgraded to a more efficient system.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

9. Budget & Appropriation Ordinance 2014-02 (Town): A motion to approve the General Town Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 2014-02(town) for \$4,972,060. From April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015 by Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee Palmblad. Motion passed 4 – 0.
10. Budget & Appropriation Ordinance 2014-03 (Road). A motion by Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee O'Brien to approve the Road Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 2014-03 (road) for \$2,551,900. From April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015. Motion passed 4 – 0.
11. Committee Ordinance 2014-04. A motion to approve Committee Ordinance 2014-04 by Trustee Palmblad, seconded by Trustee O'Brien. Motion passed 4 – 0.
12. Resolution 2014-01/Accumulation of Funds. A motion by Trustee Bowman. Seconded by Trustee Palmblad to approve Resolution 2014-01/ Accumulation of funds for future need in General Town Fund. Motion passed 4 – 0.
13. Resolution 2014-02/Accumulation of Funds. A motion by Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee O'Brien to approve Resolution 2014-02, Accumulation of funds for future need in General Road Fund. Motion passed 4 – 0.

14. Resolution 2014-03/Accumulation of Funds. A motion by Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee O'Brien to approve Resolution 2014-03, Accumulation of funds for future use in Park Maintenance Fund..Motion passed 4 – 0.
15. Resolution 2014-04/Accumulation of Funds.. A motion to approve Resolution 2014-04, Accumulation of funds for future use in Cemetery Maintenance Fund. Motion passed 4 – 0.
16. Extension of TIF – consideration & possible action to approve Village of Lake Zurich extension request. Tabled
17. Guidelines for Wednesday Senior Group. A motion by Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee O'Brien to approve the new senior guidelines for all Ela Township "55"Plus day trips. Motion passed 4 – 0.
18. Flint creek watershed partnership – consideration & possible action to approve \$1,500 grant. Tabled
19. Closed Executive Session. Not needed.
20. Consideration and possible action on items discussed in closed session. Not necessary.
21. Adjourn: Motion to Adjourn by Trustee Bowman seconded by Trustee O'Brien. On voice vote motion passed 4 – 0

William L. Donnan, Ela Township Clerk, May 22, 2014