

Minutes Board of Town Trustees

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
COUNTY OF LAKE
TOWN OF FREMONT

The Fremont Township Board of Trustees met at 22385 W Erhart Rd., Mundelein, IL 60060 on November 4, 2013 to conduct a Regular Meeting.

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Diana O'Kelly	Supervisor
Christina McCann	Town Clerk
Bill Grinnell	Highway Commissioner
Ed Sullivan, Jr.	Assessor
Jeralyn Atleson	Town Trustee
Tami Forman	Town Trustee
Chic Martin	Town Trustee
Connie Shanahan	Town Trustee

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE

Supervisor O'Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Supervisor O'Kelly, Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Martin, Trustee Shanahan

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Clerk Christina McCann, Hwy. Commissioner Bill Grinnell

OTHERS PRESENT

Nick Tonkery, Tim Cardwell

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Martin seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2013 Regular Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Meryl and Carolyn Schmidt thanked the Township and Representative Sullivan for sponsoring the shredding and electronic recycling event on Saturday, October 19.

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1. Potential Land Purchase-22438 W Erhart Rd.

At the October 14, 2013 Regular meeting, the Board directed Supervisor O'Kelly to inform Robert Tekampe that the Board would support bringing the option to purchase the subject property before the Town Electors, for a vote at a special meeting, if a contract could be executed at a total purchase price of \$425,000.00, with each party paying their customary share of closing costs.

Mr. and Mrs. Tekampe responded via commitment letter, dated October 20, 2013, stating their terms for sale of the subject property would be a purchase price of \$429,500.00, with the sellers paying the prorated Real Estate taxes for 2013, and the Township paying all other closing costs including, survey, closing fees, legal fees and any other expense which might arise relating to the sale.

After further discussion, Board consensus is that the value of the property does not warrant the seller's terms; therefore they cannot support bringing the matter before the Town Electors at a special meeting.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Preliminary 2013 Town and Road Levy Discussion

The current Levy factors, provided by the Township Assessor's office are as follows: Equalized Assessed Value (EAV): \$1,026,404,928, Total Estimated Taxable AV: \$957,717,845, New Construction: \$6,979,497, CPI: 1.7%. Town 2012 Extension: \$1,192,843.63, Road District 2012 Extension: \$1,435,455.89. Last year's EAV, after tax appeals and exemptions, landed at: \$1,010,884,430. Although this year's EAV appears to be higher, the County has not yet factored in appeals and exemptions. Consequently our final EAV numbers could be lower than current estimates.

The Township Board, Supervisor and Highway Commissioner agreed that the Township and Road District would not extend the levy beyond the CPI limit and therefore would not need to go through the Truth in Taxation process. The formal Levy will be adopted at the December 9, 2013 Board meeting.

The Board will meet for a Budgeting Workshop (Special Meeting) on Thursday, December 12, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Parks

Nick Tonkery reported he will retire as Chair of the Parks Committee. On behalf of the Township, Supervisor O'Kelly thanked Nick for his efforts, and leadership of the Committee, through the park development process.

Nick Tonkery reported the Parks Committee met with representatives from all the park user groups on October 28th. Each user group reported statistics on the number of games played on the various fields. Discussion also included: comments and concerns from the current user groups, uniform contract agreements for all user groups, liability waivers for all user group members, insurance requirements for all user groups, and the requirement that a current roster of all team participants be on file with the Township.

8.1.1 Behm Park Well Installation

- **Trustee Martin moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to accept a bid in the amount of \$8,330.00 from Peter Snelten & Sons to install a well, pump and tank at Behm Park. All in favor, motion carried.**

8.1.2 Behm Park Maintenance Building

An official bid opening for construction of a maintenance building at Behm Park was held at the Fremont Township Administrative Center at 10:00 a.m. on October 22, 2013. FBi Buildings, Inc. presented the winning bid of \$109,932.00.

- Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Martin seconded the motion to approve a bid in the amount of \$109,932.00 from FBI Buildings, Inc. to construct a maintenance building at Behm Park. All in favor, motion carried.

8.1.3 User Groups Insurance Coverage

- Trustee Martin moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to require insurance coverage from all user groups be set as follows: \$3,000,000.00 General Aggregate, \$1,000,000.00 Each Occurrence, \$1,000,000.00 Umbrella Coverage, \$5,000.00 Medical Expense per person and \$100,000.00 Damage to Premises. All in favor, motion carried.

8.2 Well & Water

Tim Cardwell reported the Well and Water Committee will meet on November 13, 2013 in the board room. Members of the Committee have been visiting old well sites. Further information is available on the Township website under the “Well and Water Committee” link.

9. CERT REPORT

On behalf of the Township, Supervisor O’Kelly thanked the CERT Team for their assistance at the recycling event on October 19.

CERT will hold a presentation on “Emergency Planning for the Home” at the Fremont Township Library on November 19, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. More than 45 residents have currently registered for the program.

10. ELECTED OFFICIALS’ REPORT

10.1 Assessor - none

10.2 Clerk - none

10.3 Highway Commissioner

Commissioner Grinnell reported the Highway Department is preparing vehicles and equipment for the winter season.

Sylvan Lake Project

Permits for the Sylvan Lake Dam Project are still being withheld by the Army Corps of Engineers and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Both agencies have requested revisions, which have been submitted for review. Commissioner Grinnell continues to work with the IDNR and Army Corps. Funds allocated for the project will be carried over into next year’s budget with the anticipation that the project will be completed in the spring or summer of 2014.

10.4 Supervisor

Supervisor O’Kelly reported the following:

- Health Reach Inc. provided the following statistics for Fremont Township residents serviced to date in 2013:

Patients Serviced to Date	183
Patient Visits	757
Specialty Off-site Visits	25
Specialty On-site Visits	86
Total Costs Patient Visits	\$42,392.00
Prescriptions Filled	945
Value of Prescriptions Filled	\$10,395.00

- Supervisor O’Kelly and Township Caseworker Nancy Lech, attended a GA conference.

- The recycling event on October 19 was a great success. A total of 300 drops were made between the electronic recycling and shredding locations.
- The Township offices are being remodeled to provide better storage and improve appearances for the residents we service.
- Fremont has joined the diaper consortium with Wauconda Township.
- Metropolitan Graphic Arts donated 4 pallets of adult diapers. The Supervisor thanked FedEx driver Jay Murray for connecting the Township with Medline for this donation.
- Students at St. Mary's School will donate pies for our holiday gift basket program.
- An Eagle Scout is conducting a coat drive with all proceeds going to the Township's coat inventory for dissemination to needy residents.

10.5 Trustees - none

11. GA/EA/FOOD PANTRY REPORT

The following statistics were reported for the month of **October 2013**:

One resident received General Assistance (GA) with medical, two received GA with no medical and one received Emergency Assistance (EA). Eighty nine residents received food pantry assistance. Thirty six applications were submitted for LIHEAP assistance. Fifty five taxi coupons were used. Two applications were submitted for RTA reduced rate fare passes.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tim Cardwell inquired if the Township does anything to check for abuse of the food stamp program.

13. APPROVAL OF BILLS

- **Trustee Shanahan moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$51,731.48, Permanent Road Fund in the amount of \$82,701.55, and General Town Fund in the amount of \$72,644.31. All in favor, motion carried.**

ROLL CALL Aye: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Martin, and Trustee Shanahan.

- **Trustee Martin moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$4,425.79. All in favor, motion carried.**

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

15. ADJOURN

- **Trustee Martin moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.**

Approved: 12/9/13

Respectfully Submitted, Christina McCann, Fremont Township Clerk